

CENTRAL CALIFORNIA IRRIGATION DISTRICT

AGENDA – REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Thursday, December 15, 2016 – 1:00 p.m.

CCID Main Office, 1335 West I Street, Los Banos, California

Notice: One or more Directors may attend the meeting by conference call. The speaker phone will be available to the public in the Board meeting room. If a conference call occurs, all votes will be conducted by roll call.

1. Call to Order – Pledge of Allegiance

2. Review of Agenda

The Board will consider corrections or additions to the agenda of items requiring immediate action that have come to the attention of the District following the posting of the agenda.

3. Approval of Minutes – November 16, 2016

4. Water Report and Informational Items

- a. Four Entities Watermaster's report on reservoir storage and water supply outlook
- b. CCID water operations
- c. Report on individual water use by CCID consumers
- d. Update of various studies and water supply issues

5. Public Participation

At this time, members of the public may address the Board on matters that are not on the agenda, which affect the operations of the District and are within the jurisdiction of the Board. The President may limit the time allowed for comment. (Members of the public may also address the Board on any matter on the agenda, when that item is brought up.)

6. License Agreement for George J. Souza

George J. Souza wishes to subdivide a small parcel immediately north of North Avenue (Highway 140) in the City of Gustine into five house lots, which would require access across a 20-foot District-owned canal reservation through which the High School Ditch, an underground 36-inch concrete pipeline, traverses. This request was presented on October 27, and the Board asked for several alterations to the proposed plans. Mr. Souza will attend the meeting to discuss the project and the District's requirements, and the Board may consider approval of a license agreement for the project access.

7. License Agreement for Fagundes Bros., LLC

Fagundes Bros., LLC plans to improve their farming operation by connecting several fields that they farm south of Dos Palos to be served by a single drip system. The proposed connection would be accomplished by installing a 10-inch underground pipeline, which they propose to route within the right-of-way of the Branch 2 Canal. The Board will be asked to approve the request, and to authorize the President and Secretary to execute a license agreement for the installation.

8. On-Farm Water Conservation Program

One or more conservation projects that have previously received preliminary approval from the Water Conservation Policy Committee will be described and the Board will be asked to approve incentive grants and/or loans for the projects, and to authorize the execution of the loan documents.

9. Approval of November 2016 Warrants

10. Monthly Financial Report

The Secretary will present figures through November 30 for water sales, revenues and expenses in comparison to the 2016 budget, receivables, investments, and reserve funds for water conservation loans and projects. No Board action is expected to be taken.

11. Proposed 2017 CCID Water Rates and Budget

At the previous meeting, staff presented the first draft of the proposed 2017 Water Rates and Budget, based on a Non-Critical Year water supply in 2017. No changes are being proposed to what was presented on November 16, and the Board will be asked to approve the water rate schedule and budget proposal as presented, and to authorize staff to issue a Proposition 218 notice to landowners and water users concerning the new water rates to take effect in 2017.

12. Legal and Four-Entities Matters

General Counsel, the Executive Director and the Manager will discuss with the Board current issues affecting the Exchange Contractors and CCID. Board action may be requested on any of these matters.

13. Miscellaneous Business

At this time, Board members and staff may discuss matters that are not on the agenda which may affect operations of the District. No Board action is expected to be taken.

14. Closed Session

- a. (Government Code Section 54954.9(a)) – Existing Litigation – Discussion of and instructions to Management and General Counsel with regard to Friant Water Authority, et al. v. United States Department of the Interior, et al.
- b. (Government Code Section 54954.9(b)(1)) – Anticipated Litigation – Discussion of and instructions to Management and General Counsel with regard to actions expected to be taken by the State Water Resources Control Board.
- c. (Government Code Section 54954.9(b)(1)) – Anticipated Litigation – Discussion of and instructions to the Four Entities’ Transfer Committee for the transfer of water.
- d. (Government Code Section 54954.9(b)(1)) – Anticipated Litigation – Discussion of and instructions to Management and General Counsel with regard to actions expected to be taken by Merced Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO).
- e. (Government Code Section 54954.9(a)) – Litigation – CCID/Firebaugh Canal Water District v. United States (Drainage litigation).
- f. (Government Code Section 54954.9(b)(1)) – Anticipated Litigation – Subsidence in Western Madera County and Merced County east of the San Joaquin River.
- g. (Government Code Section 54954.9(b)(1)) – Anticipated Litigation – San Joaquin River Restoration, including NRDC v. Rodgers, et al.
- h. (Government Code Section 54954.9(b)(1)) – Anticipated Litigation – SWRCB proceedings regarding salinity, San Joaquin River flows, State and Federal ESA as applied to Delta smelt, longfin smelt, steelhead and salmon.
- i. (Government Code Section 54954.9(b)(1)) – Anticipated Litigation – Regional Board adoption of upstream salinity TMDL standards.
- j. (Government Code Section 54954.9(b)(1)) – Anticipated Litigation – Litigation of rights to water from San Joaquin River, Kings River and Southern Delta.
- k. (Government Code Section 54954.9(b)(1)) – Anticipated Litigation – Landowner dispute over drainage easement in the Dos Palos area.

15. Adjournment