

CENTRAL CALIFORNIA IRRIGATION DISTRICT

AGENDA – REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Wednesday, November 14, 2012 – 8:30 a.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 – October 24, 2012

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 water use by CCID consumers
- d. Update of various studies and 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. On-Farm Water Conservation Projects

It is expected that one or more on-farm conservation projects that have previously received preliminary approval from the Water Conservation Policy Committee have been satisfactorily completed. The Board will be asked to approve incentive grants and/or loans for the projects, and to authorize the President and Secretary to execute the loan documents on behalf of the District.

7. Policy on Transfers of Right to Use CCID Water

At its meeting on August 22, 2012, the Board of Directors considered a proposal from the Water Transfer Committee to revise the Policy on Transfers of Right to Use CCID Water. The Board referred the Committee's proposal to staff for further review, and to develop additional background information for the Board. The proposal will be presented for the Board's consideration and possible adoption.

8. Approval of October 2012 Warrants

9. Monthly Financial Report

The Secretary will present figures through October 31 for water sales, revenues and expenses in comparison to the 2012 budget, receivables, investments, and the reserve funds for water conservation loans and projects. No Board action is expected.

10. Joint Powers Agreement – Exchange Contractors and Levee District

The San Joaquin River Exchange Contractors Water Authority and the Lower San Joaquin River Levee District have decided to form a Joint Powers Authority for the purpose of enhanced regional flood management planning. The Exchange Contractors are entitled to have six members on the Board of Directors of the new JPA, one of whom can be a member of the CCID Board. The Board will be asked to appoint one its members to serve as the District's representative on the Board of the JPA.

11. Planning for Proposed 2013 CCID Budget

In preparation for work on the 2013 CCID budget, the Manager will identify a number of issues confronting the District, its landowners and consumers, and options for actions in 2013 and beyond, each with budgetary implications. The Board may be asked to take action and/or to provide guidance to staff with regard to these options, which include:

a. Irrigated Lands Regulatory Program / Ag Waivers

The proper role for the District in light of pending changes to the program and large cost increases, including whether to continue to participate as a member of the Westside San Joaquin River Watershed Coalition

b. San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority

Following a detailed presentation by the Authority at the CCID Board meeting of October 24, whether to join in an Activity Agreement to support the proposed new public outreach program

c. San Joaquin River Exchange Contractors Proposed 2013 Budget

Review and consideration of the proposed 2013 budget for the Exchange Contractors, which was presented and provisionally approved by the Four-Entities Board of Directors on November 2

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(b)(1)) – Anticipated Litigation – Army Corps of Engineers permit requirements for work in the San Joaquin River channel.
- b. (Government Code Section 54954.5) – Real Property Negotiations – Instructions to staff with respect to acquisition of property to be utilized for the new Poso Reservoir.
- c. (Government Code Section 54954.5) – Real Property Negotiations – Instructions to the Four Entities’ Transfer Committee for the transfer of water.
- d. (Government Code Section 54954.9(a)) – Litigation – Update and discussion of legal actions taken by the San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority, et al. against Biological Opinions for Delta smelt and salmon.
- 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 – San Joaquin River Restoration, including NRDC v. Rodgers, et al.
- g. (Government Code Section 54954.9(b)(1)) – Anticipated Litigation – SWRCB proceedings regarding salinity, San Joaquin River flows, VAMP Agreement, State and Federal ESA as applied to Delta smelt, longfin smelt, steelhead and salmon.
- h. (Government Code Section 54954.9(b)(1)) – Anticipated Litigation – Regional Board adoption of upstream salinity TMDL standards, and/or Irrigated Lands Conditional Ag Waiver Program.
- i. (Government Code Section 54954.9(b)(1)) – Anticipated Litigation – Litigation of rights to water from San Joaquin River, Kings River and Southern Delta.

15. Adjournment