

CENTRAL CALIFORNIA IRRIGATION DISTRICT

AGENDA – REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Wednesday, March 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 – Regular Meeting of February 22, 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 Project(s)

One or more on-farm 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 President and Secretary to sign loan documents on behalf of the District.

7. NRCS Grant Funding for District Projects

Grant funds may be available to the District from the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) and Bureau of Reclamation for two upcoming projects. The Board will be asked to authorize the submittal of applications and approve resolutions for the following two projects:

- a. East Ditch Reservoir and Santa Rita Canal Reservoir (Resolution No. 11-03)
- b. San Joaquin River Seepage Management Project (Resolution No. 11-04)

8. 2012 Landowner to Landowner Transfers

A number of CCID landowners have expressed interest in following a portion of their land in CCID in 2012 in order to be able to transfer water to other ground that they own. The proposed transfers would be done in accordance with the District's rules governing water transfers. The Board will be asked to consider current circumstances and rule on the applicability of certain portions of the transfer policies to the 2012 transfer requests.

9. Delinquent Accounts

Staff will present a listing of the individuals and entities owing money to the District for 2011 or before. It is possible that one or more consumers will appear before the Board to request approval of special payment arrangements.

10. Approval of February 2012 Warrants

11. Monthly Financial Report

The Secretary will present figures through February 29 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.

12. Presentation of 2011 Financial Report

John M. Murao, the District's independent auditor, will present the 2011 audited financial report. The Board may accept the report as presented, or may take it under advisement for consideration and acceptance at the next Board meeting.

13. License Agreement – PG&E Overhead Electrical Line

PG&E wishes to install an overhead power line across the Main Canal near the intersection of State Highway 33 and Cottonwood Road, south of Gustine, in order to provide electrical service to the Tony Lopes Dairy, a CCID consumer. The proposal meets the District's engineering and legal requirements, and the Board will be asked to approve a license agreement, and to authorize the President and Secretary to execute the document on behalf of the District.

14. 2011 Camp 13 Study

Data has been gathered and analyzed for the first year of operation of the Camp 13 drainage interceptor lines, and a report of the findings will be presented to the Board. No Board action is expected to be requested.

15. Liability Claim

The District has received a claim from David Powers for damage sustained to a wheat field due to a leaky turnout gate from the Laguna Bypass, northwest of the City of Dos Palos, in November 2011. The Board will be asked to reject the claim, and to refer it to the ACWA Joint Powers Insurance Authority for handling.

16. Next Board Meetings

- a. The Board will be asked to schedule a Special Board Meeting starting at 8:00 a.m. on Tuesday, March 20, 2012, for the presentation by Ken Schmidt and staff of reports on groundwater and well water pumping in 2011.
- b. The Board will be asked to cancel the second Regular Board Meeting of March, which is currently scheduled to be held on Wednesday, March 28.

17. 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.

18. 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.

19. Closed Session

- a. (Government Code Section 54954.5) – Real Property Negotiations – Instructions to the Four Entities’ Transfer Committee for the transfer of water.
- b. (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.
- c. (Government Code Section 54954.9(a)) – Litigation – CCID/Firebaugh Canal Water District v. United States (Drainage litigation), including the EIR for the Camp 13 Drainage Elimination Plan.

19. Closed Session (Continued)

- d. (Government Code Section 54954.9(b)(1)) – Anticipated Litigation – San Joaquin River Restoration, including NRDC v. Rodgers, et al.
- e. (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.
- f. (Government Code Section 54954.9(b)(1)) – Anticipated Litigation – Regional Board adoption of upstream salinity TMDL standards.
- g. (Government Code Section 54954.9(b)(1)) – Anticipated Litigation – Litigation of rights to water from San Joaquin River, Kings River and Southern Delta.

20. Adjournment