

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS - REGULAR MEETING

### AGENDA

Tuesday, December 10, 2024, 10:05 a.m.  
8749 9<sup>th</sup> Street, San Joaquin, California 93660

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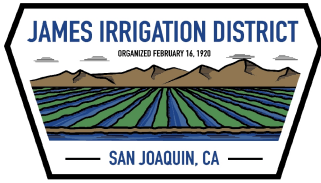
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#### **Public Comment on Agenda Items**

Any member of the public may address the Board concerning any item on the Agenda before or during consideration of that item, as appropriate.

1. **CALL TO ORDER** (CHANEY / MOTTE)
2. **► ADDITIONS / CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA**  
Consider additions/corrections to the Agenda.
3. **POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**  
Any Board member who has a potential conflict-of-interest may now identify the item(s) and recuse themselves from discussing and voting on the matter(s). (FPPC §87105)
4. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**  
Members of the public may directly address the Board on any item of interest before or during the Board's consideration of the item but may be limited to the time allowed for comment. The Board is prohibited by law from taking any action on matters discussed that are not on the Agenda.
5. **OTHER BUSINESS**
  - a. **MOMENT OF SILENCE** to honor the passing of ALICE M. DEAL, former landowner/grower.
6. **MINUTES**  
Minutes of the following meetings will be presented for consideration of approval:
  - a. **► REGULAR MEETING: NOVEMBER 12, 2024**
7. **TREASURER'S REPORT** (Water Code §24273)  
Reports reflecting the financial status of the District will be presented as follows:
  - a. **► Interim Warrants: November 13-December 10, 2024** - Review warrants and supporting invoices paid since last meeting; presented for ratification/approval.
  - b. **► Accounts Payable** - Examine unpaid invoices presented for approval/authorization to issue payment.
  - c. **Payroll Certification: Pay Periods Ending November, 2024** - President, General Manager & Office Manager to certify listing of payroll checks issued.
  - d. **Income Statements (Budget-to-Actual): November 31, 2024** (*Unaudited*)
  - e. **Cash Position Report: November 30, 2024** (Water Code §24273)
  - f. **Accounts Receivable Activity Report: November 30, 2024**



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#### 8. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

The General Manager will report on operations, maintenance, projects and other District matters.

#### 9. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Report on operations, maintenance, projects, equipment and other District matters within the purview of this position.

#### 10. DIRECTORS' REPORTS (Gov. Code §53232.3)

Directors will report on meetings and/or conferences attended on behalf of the District.

#### 11. ACTION ITEMS

- a. **► RATHMANN ON-FARM RECHARGE PROJECT** (10/08/2024) - Discussion/possible action regarding bids for an Agricultural Lease.

#### 12. REPORT ITEMS

- a. ETHICS TRAINING (06/20/2006) - Biennial training scheduled for 11:00 a.m.
- b. MID-PACIFIC REGION WATER USERS' CONFERENCE: JANUARY 29-31, 2025, RENO, NV (12/10/2024)  
Discuss upcoming event (information only)

The public may comment on the following Closed Session items prior to the Board's adjourning to Closed Session.

### CLOSED SESSION

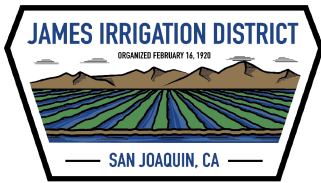
#### 13. CLOSED SESSION: GOVERNMENT CODE §54956.9 - CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

- a. SIGNIFICANT EXPOSURE TO LITIGATION PURSUANT TO PARAGRAPH (2) OR (3) OF SUBDIVISION (D):  
4 CASES

#### 14. CLOSED SESSION: GOVERNMENT CODE §54956.9 - CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-EXISTING LITIGATION

AS DEFENDANT: 3 CASES

- a. NATURAL RESOURCES DEFENSE COUNCIL, ET AL, V HAALAND, ET AL  
U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of California  
Case No. 1:5-CV-01207LJO-GSA
- b. CENTER FOR BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY, RESTORE THE DELTA AND PLANNING & CONSERVATION LEAGUE V UNITED STATES BUREAU OF RECLAMATION ET AL (06/08/2021)  
United States District Court, Eastern District of California  
Case No. 1:20-CV-00706 DAD-EPG
- c. MCMULLIN AREA GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY V JAMES IRRIGATION DISTRICT  
Fresno County Superior Court Case No. 24CECG03049 (08/13/2024)



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AS PLAINTIFF: 2 CASES

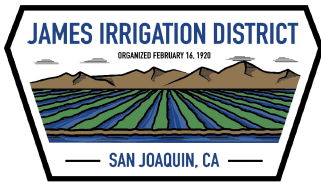
- d. KINGS RIVER WATER ASSOCIATION ET AL V. JAMES VERBOON ET AL  
Kings County Superior Court, Case No. 15 C0304
- e. JAMES IRRIGATION DISTRICT V. MCMULLIN AREA GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY  
Santa Clara County Superior Court, Case No. 23CV417565

AS INTERVENOR: 1 CASE

- f. CITY OF FRESNO, ET AL V. UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
United States Court of Federal Claims, Case No. 1:16-CV-01276-MCW

**15. CLOSED SESSION: GOVERNMENT CODE §54956.8 - CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR**

- a. FRESNO COUNTY APN 030-090-24S (15.98 ACRES), 030-090-28S (366.07 ACRES) (10/16/2012)  
Negotiating Parties: James Irrigation District: General Manager/Designee  
Landowner: Marilyn Fay Briggs, Trustee  
Tenant: Thomas Coleman  
Under Negotiation: Price, terms & conditions of possible real property and/or water supply transactions
- b. JAMES & TRANQUILLITY NEGOTIATIONS  
Negotiating Parties: James Irrigation District: General Manager/Designee  
Tranquillity Irrigation District: Danny Wade  
Kings River Lower River Units: Scott Sills  
Under Negotiation: Price, terms & conditions of possible real property and/or water supply transactions
- c. SOUTHWEST GROUNDWATER RECHARGE PROJECT (11/13/2012)  
Negotiating Parties: James Irrigation District: General Manager/Designee  
Fresno Irrigation District: Bill Stretch  
Under Negotiation: Price, terms and conditions of possible real property and/or water supply transactions, operations & maintenance.
- d. WATER BANKING & TRANSFERS (04/19/2018)  
Negotiating Parties: James Irrigation District: General Manager/Designee  
To Be Determined  
Under Negotiation: Price, terms and conditions of possible water supply transactions.



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- e. WATER BANKING & TRANSFERS: MCMULLIN AREA GSA (06/22/2021)  
Negotiating Parties: James Irrigation District: General Manager/Designee  
McMullin GSA: Matthew Hurley, General Manager  
Under Negotiation: Price, terms and conditions of possible water supply transactions.
- f. FRESNO COUNTY APN 033-040-92S, 61.06 ACRES, SAN JOAQUIN, CA  
FRESNO COUNTY APN 033-040-60S, 1.72 ACRES, SAN JOAQUIN, CA  
Negotiating Parties: James Irrigation District: General Manager/Designee  
Landowner: Jasbir S./Shinderpal K. Sran Trustees of the Jasbir S. Sran and Shinderpal K. Sran Trust of 2014 (Formerly Orlando Ranch)  
Under Negotiation: Price, terms & conditions of possible real property and/or water supply transactions
- g. FRESNO COUNTY APN 033-050-41S, SAN JOAQUIN, CA  
Negotiating Parties: James Irrigation District: General Manager/Designee  
Landowner: PCR Farms LLC  
Under Negotiation: Price, terms & conditions of possible real property and/or water supply transactions

### OPEN SESSION

16. **REPORT ON ANY ACTION TAKEN DURING CLOSED SESSION** (Gov. Code §54957.1)  
The presiding officer will report on any actions taken during the above Closed Session items.
17. **ETHICS TRAINING** 11:00 a.m.  
Biennial Ethics Training class (2 hours)
18. **ADJOURN**  
► ADJOURN to next Regular Meeting scheduled for Tuesday, January 14, 2025, unless otherwise decided by the Board.