

BOARD OF DIRECTORS - REGULAR MEETING

AGENDA

Tuesday, May 14, 2024, 10:00 a.m.
8749 9th Street, San Joaquin, California 93660

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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)

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 NADYNE YRIBARREN (1928-2024), landowner, grower, wife of former Board member, Joe Yribarren.

6. **MINUTES**

Minutes of the following meeting will be considered for AMENDMENT:

a. **➤ REGULAR MEETING: FEBRUARY 13, 2024**

Minutes of the following meetings will be presented for consideration of APPROVAL:

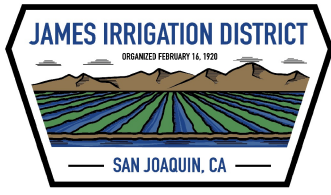
b. **➤ REGULAR MEETING: APRIL 9, 2024**

7. **TREASURER'S REPORT** (Water Code §24273)

Reports reflecting the financial status of the District will be presented as follows:

a. **➤ Interim Warrants: April 10-May 14, 2024** - Review warrants and supporting invoices paid since last meeting; presented for approval.

b. **➤ Accounts Payable** - Examine unpaid invoices presented for approval/authorization to issue payment.



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- c. Payroll Certification: Pay Periods Ending April, 2024 - President, General Manager & Office Manager to certify listing of payroll checks issued.
- d. Income Statements (Budget-to-Actual): April, 2024 (*Unaudited*)
- e. Cash Position Report: April 30, 2024 (Water Code §24273)
- f. Accounts Receivable Activity Report: April 30, 2024

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)

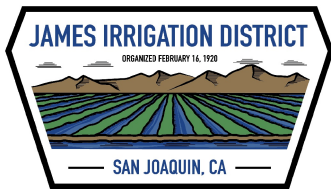
Directors will report on meetings and/or conferences attended on behalf of the District.

11. ACTION ITEMS

- a. ► RESOLUTION APPOINTING TO FILL A VACANCY IN THE OFFICE OF DIRECTOR (05/14/2024)
Discussion/possible action considering appointment of candidate to fill vacant term expiring December 6, 2024.
- b. ► CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL OF NOTICE OF EXEMPTION REGARDING RATHMANN ON-FARM RECHARGE PROJECT (05/14/2024) - Discussion/possible action.
- c. ► RULES & REGULATIONS GOVERNING WATER DISTRIBUTION & CANAL MAINTENANCE (05/14/2024)
Discussion/possible action regarding water operations.
- d. ► ANNUAL SALARY REVIEW (05/14/2024) - Discussion/possible action regarding ad hoc Salary/Benefit Committee recommendations.
- e. ► FLOOD & EXCESS WATER DELIVERIES (03/14/2023) - Discussion/possible action concerning deliveries of flood and excess water.

12. REPORT ITEMS

None



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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: 2 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

AS PLAINTIFF: 2 CASES

- c. KINGS RIVER WATER ASSOCIATION ET AL V. JAMES VERBOON ET AL

Kings County Superior Court, Case No. 15 C0304

- d. JAMES IRRIGATION DISTRICT V. MCMULLIN AREA GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY

Santa Clara County Superior Court, Case No. 23CV417565

AS INTERVENOR: 1 CASE

- e. 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**

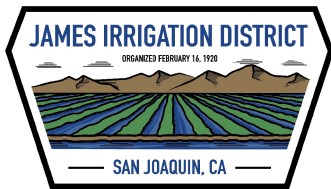
- a. JAMES & TRANQUILLITY NEGOTIATIONS

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



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- b. 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.
- c. 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.
- d. 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.
- e. TERRANOVA RANCH, INC. (05/16/2023)
Negotiating Parties: James Irrigation District: General Manager/Designee
Terranova Ranch, Inc.: Don Cameron
Under Negotiation: Price, terms and conditions of possible water supply transactions.

16. CLOSED SESSION: GOVERNMENT CODE §54957 - PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION

- a. ➤ TITLE: GENERAL MANAGER

OPEN SESSION

17. 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.

18. ADJOURN

➤ ADJOURN to next Regular Meeting scheduled for Tuesday, June 11, 2024, unless otherwise decided by the Board.