

BOARD OF DIRECTORS - ADJOURNED REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

Tuesday, January 16, 2024, 10:05 a.m.

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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.

I. CALL TO ORDER (R.CHANEY / M.COMBS)

II. OTHER BUSINESS / PUBLIC COMMENTS

- A. 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.
- B. MEETING DATE CHANGE - Please note for the record that the January 9, 2024, meeting was rescheduled to this date due to scheduling conflicts. Notice was posted as prescribed.
- C. MOMENT OF SILENCE to honor the passing of ESMERALDA CHAVEZ-MORFIN (1980-2024), Office Clerk
- D. ► ADDITIONS/CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA - Consider additions/corrections to the Agenda.
- E. 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

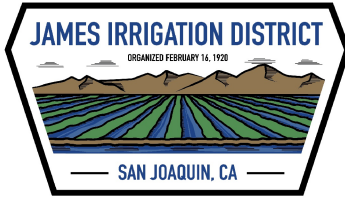
III. MINUTES

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

- A. ► REGULAR MEETING: DECEMBER 5, 2023

IV. TREASURER'S REPORT (Water Code §24273)

- A. FINANCIAL REPORTS - Reports reflecting the financial status of the District will be presented.
 - 1. ► Interim Warrants: December 6, 2023-January 16, 2024 - Review warrants and supporting invoices paid since last meeting; presented for ratification/approval.
 - 2. ► Accounts Payable - Examine unpaid invoices presented for approval.
 - 3. Payroll Certification: Pay Periods Ending December, 2023 - President, General Manager & Office Manager to certify listing of payroll checks issued.
 - 4. Annual Report of Remuneration to Board of Directors: January 1-December 31, 2023 (Gov. Code §53065.5)
 - 5. Income Statements (Budget-to-Actual): December 31, 2023 (Unaudited)
 - 6. Quarterly Report of Investments: December 31, 2023 [Gov. Code §53646(b)(1)]



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7. Cash Position Report: December 31, 2023 (Water Code §24273)
8. Reserve Account Balance Trend Report: December 31, 1999-December 31, 2023
9. Schedule of Long-Term Debt/Notes Payable: December 31, 2023 - Quarterly report
10. Accounts Receivable Activity Report: December 31, 2023
11. District Labor Cost / Acre Foot: 2023 - Report labor cost/acre foot for prior year deliveries (Min: 11/12/2002)

V. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

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

VI. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

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

VII. DIRECTORS' REPORTS (Gov. Code §53232.3)

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

VIII. ACTION ITEMS

- A. ► FISCAL AUDIT: MARCH 1, 2023-FEBRUARY 29, 2024 (01/09/2024) - Authorization to perform audit or solicit bids for services.
- B. ► DISTRICT INVESTMENT POLICIES (01/09/2024) - Annual review of District investment policies. Consider amendments if warranted; otherwise re-approve. (Calif. Gov. Code 53646)
- C. ► RESERVE POLICY (01/09/2024) - Discussion/possible action following annual review of guidelines adopted under Resolution 2023-04 (06/13/2023)
- D. ► DISTRICT EQUIPMENT RENTAL RATES (01/09/2024) - Annual review of rental rate schedule.

IX. REPORT ITEMS

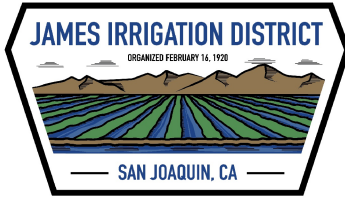
- A. RETIREMENT: RICARDO COVARRUBIA (01/09/2024) - Discuss arrangements to honor Mr. Covarrubia's 44+ years' of service.

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

CLOSED SESSION

X. 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



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

A. AS DEFENDANT: 2 CASES

1. 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
2. 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

B. AS PLAINTIFF: 3 CASES

1. KINGS RIVER WATER ASSOCIATION ET AL V. JAMES VERBOON ET AL
Kings County Superior Court, Case No. 15 C0304
2. JAMES IRRIGATION DISTRICT VS. KINGS RIVER WATER ASSOCIATION ET AL
Fresno County Superior Court Case No. 19CECG00769
3. JAMES IRRIGATION DISTRICT VS. MCMULLIN AREA GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY - Santa Clara County Superior Court, Case No. 23CV417565

C. AS INTERVENOR: 1 CASE

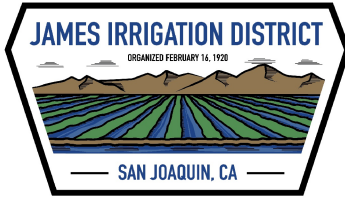
1. CITY OF FRESNO, ET AL V. UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
United States Court of Federal Claims, Case No. 1:16-CV-01276-MCW

XII. 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



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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. 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 (06/22/2021)

Negotiating Parties: James Irrigation District: General Manager/Designee

McMullin Groundwater Sustainability Agency:

Matthew Hurley, General Manager

Under Negotiation: Price, terms and conditions of possible water supply transactions.

E. FRESNO COUNTY APN 030-111-48S (66.64 ACRES), APN 030-111-49S (39 ACRES)

Negotiating Parties: James Irrigation District: General Manager/Designee

Landowner

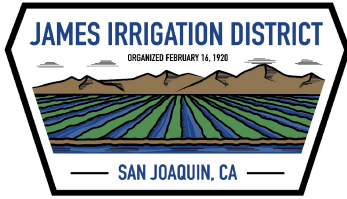
Under Negotiation: Price, terms and conditions of possible real property and/or water supply transaction.

F. FRESNO COUNTY APN 33-040-92S (61.06 ACRES), 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

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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

XIII. **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.

XIV. **ADJOURN**

► ADJOURN to next Regular Meeting scheduled for Tuesday, February 13, 2024, unless otherwise decided by the Board.