

BOARD OF DIRECTORS - REGULAR MEETING

AGENDA

Tuesday, January 14, 2025, 10:05 a.m.
8749 9th Street, San Joaquin, California 93660

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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.

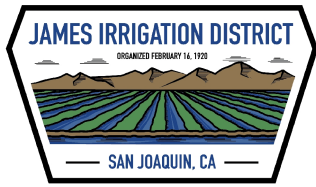
3. **POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**
Any Board member who has a potential conflict-of-interest may now identify the item(s) and recuse themselves from discussing and voting on the matter(s). (FPPC §87105)

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:
 - i. JAMES R. PROVOST (04/10/1937-12/15/2024), founding partner of Provost & Pritchard Engineering Group
 - ii. MARY J. ARMAS (10/14/1930-01/06/2025), landowner

6. **MINUTES**
Minutes of the following meetings will be considered for APPROVAL:
 - a. **➤ REGULAR MEETING: DECEMBER 10, 2024**
 - b. **➤ SPECIAL MEETING: JANUARY 7, 2024**

7. **TREASURER'S REPORT** (Water Code §24273)
Reports reflecting the financial status of the District will be presented as follows:
 - a. **➤ Interim Warrants: December 11, 2024-January 14, 2025** - 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 December, 2024 - President, General Manager & Office Manager to certify listing of payroll checks issued.
- d. Annual Report of Remuneration to Board of Directors: January 1-December 31, 2024 (Gov. Code §53065.5)
- e. Income Statements (Budget-to-Actual): December 31, 2024 (Unaudited)
- f. Quarterly Report of Investments: December 31, 2024 [Gov. Code §53646(b)(1)]
- g. Cash Position Report: December 31, 2024 (Water Code §24273)
- h. Reserve Account Balance Trend Report: December 31, 1999-December 31, 2024
- i. Schedule of Long-Term Debt/Notes Payable: December 31, 2024 - Quarterly report
- j. Accounts Receivable Activity Report: December 31, 2024
- k. District Labor Cost / Acre Foot: 2024 - Report labor cost/acre foot for prior year deliveries (Min: 11/12/2002)

8. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

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

9. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

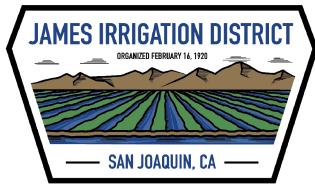
Report on operations, maintenance, projects, equipment and other District matters within the purview of this position.

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 APPROVING WATER PURCHASE FOR THE 2025 WATER YEAR (01/14/2025)
Discussion/possible action authorizing General Manager to explore potential to procure surplus surface water for 2025-26 irrigations.
- b. ➤ RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING BOARD ROTATION POLICY (01/14/2025) - Discussion/possible action to establish a process for leadership succession.
- c. ➤ RESOLUTION: DISTRICT INVESTMENT POLICIES (01/14/2025) - Discussion/possible action following annual review of District investment policies. (Calif. Gov. Code 53646)
- d. ➤ RESOLUTION: RESERVE POLICY (01/14/2025) - Discussion/possible action following annual review of Reserve Policy guidelines.



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12. REORGANIZATION

- a. ► ELECTION OF OFFICERS - Conduct election of officers: President, Vice-President
- b. ► AGENCY/COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS - Appoint representatives to the following agencies/committees:
 - i. James Irrigation District - Treasurer/Assessor-Collector, Secretary
 - ii. James Irrigation District Retirement/Deferred Compensation Plan - Trustees (3)
 - iii. James Groundwater Sustainability Agency - Directors (4)
 - iv. San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority, District 5 - Director & Alternate
 - v. Kings River Water Association (KRWA) - Director & Alternate
 - vi. Kings River Watershed Coalition Authority - Director & Alternate
 - vii. Kings Basin Water Authority - Director & Alternate
 - viii. Power & Water Resources Pooling Authority (PWRPA) - Director & Alternate
 - ix. Association of California Water Agencies Joint Powers Insurance Authority (ACWA JPIA) - Director & Alternate

13. REPORT ITEMS

- a. MID-PACIFIC REGION WATER USERS' CONFERENCE: JANUARY 29-31, 2025, RENO, NV (12/10/2024)
Discuss upcoming event (information only)
- b. SOLAR PROJECT PROPOSAL / WHITEPINE (01/14/2025) - Presentation by Evan Riley re: construction of solar array Project #3.

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

CLOSED SESSION

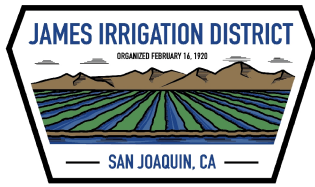
14. CLOSED SESSION: GOVERNMENT CODE §54956.9 - CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

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

15. 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



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- 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)

AS PLAINTIFF: 2 CASES

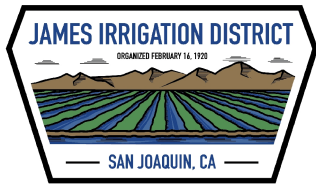
- d. KINGS RIVER WATER ASSOCIATION ET AL V. JAMES VERBOON ET AL
Kings County Superior Court, Case No. 15 C0304
- e. JAMES IRRIGATION DISTRICT V. MCMULLIN AREA GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY
Santa Clara County Superior Court, Case No. 23CV417565

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

16. 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
- 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.



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- 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.

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, February 11, 2025, unless otherwise decided by the Board.