

Kings River Conservation District

Meeting of the Board of Directors

Date & Time: August 14, 2018 at 1:30 p.m. Location: Kings River Conservation District Offices

Called to Order: 1:30 p.m. Adjourned: 2:27 p.m.

Attendees: Directors: David Cehrs, Ph.D. (President), D. Paul Stanfield (Vice President), Gregory Beberian, Ceil W. Howe Jr., Mark McKean, Norman B. Waldner, Mike Yoshimoto
 KRCD Staff: David Merritt, Christine Simon (Assistant Secretary), Paul G. Peschel (Secretary), Randy Shilling, Brian Trevarrow, Cristel Tufenkjian, Charlotte Gallock
 Consultants & Others: Ed Dittenbir (Kings River Water Association), Darren Palm (Self, Farmer), Matt Meadows (Kings River Water Association)

Absent: None.

Minutes

1. Additions or Deletions from the Agenda Presenter: President Cehrs

Discussion:

 No closed session.

Actions:

 None.

2. Public Presentations or Comments Presenter: President Cehrs

Discussion:

 None.

Actions:

 None.

3. Approval of the Minutes Presenter: President Cehrs

Discussion:

 None.

Actions:

 It was moved by Director Beberian, seconded by Director Waldner, and carried by Directors Beberian, Cehrs, Howe, McKean, Stanfield, Waldner and Yoshimoto that the Minutes of the July 10, 2018 Regular Board meeting be approved.

 4. Water Conditions and Weather Conditions

Presenter: Ed Dittenbir

Discussion:

Kings River Water Association (KRWA) staff Ed Dittenbir summarized a report on water conditions stating that the total net storage available to KRWA units in Pine Flat Reservoir as of 2400 hours on August 12, 2018 was 505,539 acft with a vacant space of 688,461 acft. On that date, the calculated natural inflow to the Reservoir was 555 cfs and the release from Pine Flat Dam is 3,970 cfs.

KRWA staff expect Pine Flat storage to be near 300,000 acft end of August 2018 and 200,000-250,000 acft at the end of the irrigation season (October 2018).

Actions:

None.

 5. **Directors' Reports**

Presenter: President Cehrs

Discussion:

Director Howe announced he has a scheduling conflict and will leaving the meeting at 3:00pm.

Director Beberian discussed the lack of enforcement presence on the Kings River resulting in poaching. KRCD staff discussed the issue **within the purview of KRCD's lack of enforcement authority**.

Actions:

None.

 6. Staff Reports

Presenter: Paul Peschel

Discussion:

Paul Peschel, General Manager; provided updates to supplement his written report to the Board. Peschel announced that Directors Beberian and Stanfield are running uncontested for their Division 3 and 5 seats. Director Waldner is not running for reelection and former Alta Irrigation District General Manager Chris Kapheim is running unopposed for the Division 1 seat. Peschel highlighted various federal and state regulatory and legislative items. In particular, Peschel discussed matters of interest that occurred at the ACWA Energy Workgroup held August 10, 2018 and State Water Resources Control Board activities.

Cristel Tufenkjian, Manager of Community & Public Relations; had no additional report for the Board.

Charlotte Gallock, Manager of Water Resources; reported on the Kings River Water Quality Coalition (Coalition) Trend Monitoring Network, the Alta Isotopes study, Coalition outreach activities, State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) activities (including draft changes to Tulare Lake Basin general order), enforcement expectations, related SGMA efforts within the Kings and Tulare Subbasins, and Kings Basin Water Authority activities. Gallock stated that water quality reports will be sent to well owners who grant the Coalition permission to sample their well; this data can be used for the SWRCB-required Nitrogen

Management Plans. The Board expressed concerns regarding groundwater water quality within rural residential and county island areas.

David Merritt, Deputy General Manager; presented information regarding the Jeff L. Taylor Power Plant at Pine Flat Dam, flood control projects, and updates on the Terranova project. The Power Plant monthly net energy generation 92,281MW.

Randy Shilling, Deputy General Manager; reported on annual calculations of Pine Flat escalation rate on power benefit and updated the Board on construction activities surrounding the KRCD Fresno office.

Actions:

None.

7a. Financial Report: Budget Expenditures

Presenter: Randy Shilling

Discussion:

While reviewing the Financial Report, as detailed in the agenda packet, Shilling announced that the Flood Maintenance department purchased a chipper, as previously approved by the Board. Shilling reminded the Board that the former chipper was retired due to air quality regulations. **Shilling also drew the Board's** attention to additional investment information available in the financials and discussed investment return history.

Actions:

None.

7b. Review of Monthly Disbursements

Presenter: Paul Stanfield

Discussion:

Director Stanfield reported that he reviewed the bills, found them to be in order, and recommended that they be approved.

Actions:

It was moved by Director Stanfield, seconded by Director McKean and unanimously carried by Directors Beberian, Cehrs, Howe, McKean, Stanfield, Waldner, and Yoshimoto that bills in the amount of \$684,200.76 as presented in the schedule of Disbursements and Current Accounts Payable, were approved and ordered paid.

8. Board Authorization for KRWQC to Use KRCD Monitoring Wells Presenter: Charlotte Gallock

Discussion:

Gallock presented **the Coalition's request to access KRCD's eleven wells** for water quality samples and data collection. The data will be included in the **Coalition's** Trend Monitoring Network, as required by the SWRCB.

Actions:

It was moved by Director Howe, seconded by Director McKean, and carried by Directors Beberian, Cehrs, Howe, McKean, Stanfield, Waldner and Yoshimoto to approve the Kings **River Water Quality Coalition's** request to access KRCD-owned monitoring wells in order to obtain water quality samples and data collection.

10. Other Items for Discussion

Presenter: President Cehrs

Discussion:

None.

Actions:

None.

Adjournment

Adjourned: 2:27 p.m.

Submitted by:

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Paul G. Peschel
Board Secretary

approved on September 11, 2018

Board President

KINGS RIVER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
 Schedule of Disbursements and Current Accounts Payable
 Presented August 14, 2018
 (For Expenditures in the Month Ending July 31, 2018)

Director's Payroll	07/10/18	2,764.25	
Employee Payroll	07/11/18	95,529.42	
Employee Payroll	07/16/18	14,958.95	
Employee Payroll	07/25/18	95,543.23	
			208,795.85
Accounts Payable (KRCD)		377,953.68	377,953.68
	Sub-Total		586,749.53
Ready-Tax Electronic Funds Transfers:			
Employee Tax Deposits	07/03/18		42,819.77
Director's Tax Deposits	07/13/18		929.59
Employee Tax Deposits	07/18/18		43,539.81
Employee Tax Deposits	07/20/18		10,162.06
	TOTAL		<u>684,200.76</u>