

**Minutes**

KINGS RIVER CONSERVATION DISTRICT  
Board of Directors Meeting

**Date:** September 13, 2022 – Tuesday  
**Time:** 1:30 p.m.  
**Location:** 4886 E. Jensen Avenue, Fresno, CA 93725

**DIRECTORS PRESENT**

Paul Stanfield, President  
Gregory Beberian, Vice President  
Chris Kapheim  
Ceil W. Howe, Jr.  
Mike Yoshimoto (1:31 p.m.)  
David Cehrs, Ph.D.  
Mark C. McKean

**DIRECTORS ABSENT**

None

**OTHERS PRESENT**

KRCD Staff  
David Merritt  
Brian Trevarrow  
Charlotte Gallock  
Cristel Tufenkjian  
Corey McLaughlin  
Pawan Niroula  
John Komar (Legal Counsel – 2:30 p.m.)

Consultants & Others  
Steve Haugen (KRWA)

**OPENING BUSINESS**

1. CONVENE  
President Stanfield called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.
2. Additions to or Deletions from the Agenda  
None.
3. Public Presentations or Comments  
None.
4. Approval of Minutes  
It was moved by Director McKean, seconded by Director Kapheim, and unanimously carried that the Minutes of the August 9, 2022 Regular Meetings be approved.  
*(AYES: President Stanfield, Vice-President Beberian, Directors Cehrs, McKean, Howe, and Kapheim -NOES: None, -ABSENT: Director Yoshimoto)*

**REPORTS**

5. Water Conditions  
The Kings River Water Association Water Master, Steve Haugen, reported on water storage on the Kings River System, inflow and outflow at Pine Flat

Reservoir, and the available flood control space on the system. Directors' questions were addressed.

6. Directors' Reports

Director Yoshimoto reported on his visit to the Columbia River Gorge and Bonneville Power House.

7. Business Operations Report (Trevarrow / Merritt)

Brian Trevarrow, with input from David Merritt, provided the Board with a financial position update; the August 2022 Fund Statements; and overall District administrative updates. Directors' questions were addressed.

It was moved by Director Beberian, seconded by Director Howe, and unanimously carried that bills in the amount of \$1,541,451.73, as presented in the Schedule of Disbursements and Current Accounts Payable, be approved and ordered paid.

*(AYES: President Stanfield, Vice-President Beberian, Directors Howe, McKean, Kapheim, Cehrs, and Yoshimoto -NOES: None -ABSENT: None)*

8. Water Resources Report (Gallock / Lee / Merritt)

Charlotte Gallock, with input from David Merritt, provided the Board with an update on matters related to the Kings River Water Quality Coalition; the Kings Water Alliance; and Sustainable Groundwater Management Act matters. Directors' questions were addressed.

9. Flood Operations & Maintenance Report (Gallock / Merritt)

Ongoing grant project status updates were provided.

10. Power Resources Report (Niroula / Merritt)

Pawan Niroula, with input from David Merritt, provided the Board with an update on Pine Flat operations, FERC, and Unit 4 progress updates. Directors' questions were addressed.

11. External Affairs and Legislative Matters (Powers / Merritt)

Cristel Tufenkjian provided an update on outreach activities, specifically as related to CV-SALTS Management Zone activities around the bottled water program, including updates to the application forms to improve participation and results. Directors' questions were addressed.

David Merritt, General Manager, reported legislative updates on AB 2201.

12. General Manager's Report (Merritt)

David Merritt provided the Board with an update regarding the process for dissolving Zalda Reclamation District No. 801; progress on the governance structure regarding the McMullin Project in order to close out that grant; High Speed Rail Authority matters; and other items of importance to the Board that were not already covered in other reports. Directors' questions and comments were addressed.

## ACTION ITEMS

13. Appointment of Labor Negotiators

The Board was asked to appoint negotiators to work with the various bargaining groups for the Flood Maintenance and Hydro Units.

It was moved by Director Kapheim, seconded by Director McKean, and unanimously carried to appoint the following as the District's Labor Negotiators:

Flood Maintenance Unit:

- Brian Trevarrow
- Charlotte Gallock
- Binu Brar

Hydro Unit

- Brian Trevarrow
- Pawan Niroula
- Stacy Wright

*(AYES: President Stanfield, Vice-President Beberian, Directors Howe, Cehrs, McKean, Kapheim, and Yoshimoto -NOES: None -ABSENT: None)*

14. Closed Session

The Board adjourned to Closed Session at 2:30 p.m. pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8: Conference with Real Property Negotiator.

**Property:** Certain Real Property located in Fresno County, An easement on a strip of land 30 feet in width, the center line of which is described as follows: Beginning at a point which bears S 27° 50' 29" W, 2710.13 feet from the Northeast corner of Section 13, Township 17 South, Range 21 East, M.D.B. & M., thence South, 650.00 feet to a point which bears S 22° 33' 41 " W, 3298.89 feet from the Northeast corner of said Section 13.

**Agency Designated Negotiator:** Board President

**Negotiating Parties:** Kings River Conservation District and Consolidated Irrigation District

**Under Negotiation:** Price & Method of Conveyance

15. Return to Open Session / Report Action

The Board returned to Open Session at 2:42 p.m. No reportable action was taken in Closed Session.

16. Next Meeting Date and Agenda Items (David Merritt)

The next regular meeting is scheduled for 1:30 p.m. on October 11, 2022 at the District Office.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, President Stanfield adjourned the meeting at 3:08 p.m.

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Board Secretary

Approved on \_\_\_\_\_, 2022

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Board President