

MINUTES

Oakdale, California
February 18, 2014

The Board of Directors of the Oakdale Irrigation District invited all to recite the Pledge of Allegiance and then met in Regular Session at the hour of 9:00 a.m. Upon roll call, there were present:

Directors: Steve Webb, President
Herman Doornenbal, Vice President
Frank Clark
Jack D. Alpers
Al Bairos, Jr.

Staff Present: Steve Knell, General Manager/Secretary
Gary Jernigan, Contract/Special Projects Manager
Jason Jones, Support Services Manager
Kathy Cook, Chief Financial Officer
Eric Thorburn, Water Operations Manager

ADDITION OR DELETION OF AGENDA ITEMS

There were no deletions of agenda items.

ACTION TO TAKE VARIOUS ITEMS OUT OF SEQUENCE

There was no action taken out of sequence.

At the hour of 9:01 a.m. the Board welcomed public comment.

PUBLIC COMMENT ITEM NO. 1

Rod Compton who resides at 6178 Claribel Road, Oakdale, was present and stated that a problem exists in the pipeline crossing Claribel Road at the Wellsford intersection. It's a private pipe and needs to be repaired but not everyone wants to participate. Stanislaus County would not pay for the cost of repair on the Claribel; however, they were willing to supply the materials. He was concerned because of the recent Water User Notice sent out to all constituents addressed pipe leakage and water could be turned off if repairs not met. Director Webb requested that Support Services Manager Jason Jones go out and take a look at the situation.

Richard Lutz was also present and stated that at the last meeting the District increased the theft of water fines, which he has no problem with; however, he stated that it should be the guilty party that receives the fine. He does not want a landowner to get the fine if the theft is by the renter.

John Gregory, who resides at 11648 Walnut Avenue, Valley Home stated his property is hard to irrigate and the ditch on his property has eroded. He asked if the District could come out and put some dirt in the ditch. He also asked if the District take a look at the valve on Pleasant Valley Road. Director Webb requested that Support Services Manager Jason Jones and Water Operations Manager Eric Thorburn take a look into the situation.

There being no Public Comment; Public Comment closed at 9:11 a.m. and the Board Meeting continued.

CONSENT ITEMS

ITEM NOS. 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11

ITEM NO. 2

**APPROVE THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR MEETING OF FEBRUARY 4, 2014 AND
RESOLUTION NOS. 2014-05, 2014-06, 2014-07, and 2014-08**

A motion was made by Director Doornenbal, seconded by Director Bairos, and unanimously supported to approve the Board of Directors' Minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 4, 2014 and Resolution Nos. 2014-05, 2014-06, 2014-07, and 2014-08.

ITEM NO. 3

APPROVE THE OAKDALE IRRIGATION

A motion was made by Director Doornenbal, seconded by Director Bairos, and unanimously supported to approve the Oakdale Irrigation District Statement of Obligations.

ITEM NO. 4

**APPROVE IMPROVEMENT
DISTRICT STATEMENT OF OBLIGATIONS**

A motion was made by Director Doornenbal, seconded by Director Bairos, and unanimously supported to approve the Improvement District Statement of Obligations.

ITEM NO. 5

ASSIGNMENT OF CAPITAL WORK ORDER NUMBERS

A motion was made by Director Doornenbal, seconded by Director Bairos, and unanimously supported to approve the assignment of the following Work Order Numbers:

<u>Facility</u>	<u>Project Description</u>	<u>Estimated Cost</u>	<u>Work Order No.</u>
South Main Canal	Remove and upgrade gate actuator Regulating Reservoir	\$50,000	2014-024
Kearney Lateral Pipeline	Remove and upgrade 1,800 LF of 27" 100 PSI PIP PVC and turnout with a 24" x 10' frame 101C slide gate.	\$254,100	2014-025

Garr Pipeline	Remove and upgrade 200 LF of 15" 100 PIP PVC and 8" inline valve	\$20,500	2014-026
Fairbanks Lateral	Remove and upgrade a 10" x 7' frame 101C slide gate	\$2,100	2014-027
South Main Canal	Remove and upgrade a 20" x 12' frame and a 6" x 12.5' frame 101C slide gates	\$5,000	2014-028
River Road	Remove and upgrade two-16" x 13.5' frame 101C slide gates	\$4,900	2014-029
Kearney Lateral	Remove and upgrade a 24" x 9' frame 101C slide gate and 40' of 24" PVC	\$16,600	2014-030
Hinds Lateral	Remove and upgrade control structure, center gate and turnout gates	\$18,600	2014-031
Cavill No. 2 Pump Pipeline	Install 18" inline gate valve and 40' of 18" 100 PSI PIP PVC pipe	\$15,900	2014-033
Oakdale Deep Well	Remove and upgrade the pump column, line shaft bearing and bowl assembly	\$57,795	2014-034

ITEM NO. 6
APPROVE WAIVER OF AUTO INSURANCE LIABILITY
COVERAGE REQUIREMENT (APN: 006-086-022 – TORI ANDREETTA)

A motion was made by Director Doornenbal, seconded by Director Bairos, and unanimously supported to approve a waiver of the auto insurance liability coverage requirement (APN: 006-086-022 – Tori Andreetta).

ITEM NO. 7
APPROVE STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION ON RESPONSE TO
INCLUSION OF INDEPENDENT SPECIAL DISTRICT REPRESENTATION
ON THE SAN JOAQUIN LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION

A motion was made by Director Doornenbal, seconded by Director Bairos, and unanimously supported to approve the staff's recommendation on response to inclusion of independent special district representation on the San Joaquin Local Agency Formation Commission.

ITEM NO. 8
APPROVE ENCROACHMENT PERMIT ON THE
RIVERBANK PIPELINE (APN: 062-011-004 – MENDES)

A motion was made by Director Doornenbal, seconded by Director Bairos, and unanimously supported to approve the Encroachment Permit on the Riverbank Pipeline (APN: 062-011-004 – Mendes).

ITEM NO. 9
APPROVE ENCROACHMENT PERMIT ON THE STUDE
PIPELINE (APN: 006-004-010 – TILBURY ORCHARDS, LLC)

A motion was made by Director Doornenbal, seconded by Director Bairos, and unanimously supported to approve the Encroachment Permit on the Stude Pipeline (APN: 006-005-010 – Tilbury Orchards, LLC).

ITEM NO. 10
APPROVE ABANDONMENT OF A PORTION OF THE
LONE TREE DRAIN (APNS: 207-032-016/017/018/019 – CATON)

A motion was made by Director Doornenbal, seconded by Director Bairos, and unanimously supported to approve the Abandonment of the Lone Tree Drain (APNS: 207-032-016/017/018/019 – Caton).

ITEM NO. 11
APPROVE QUITCLAIM OF A PORTION OF THE
LONE TREE DRAIN (APNS: 207-032-016/017/018/019 – CATON).

A motion was made by Director Doornenbal, seconded by Director Bairos, and unanimously supported to approve a quitclaim of a portion of the Lone Tree Drain (APNS: 207-032-016/017/018/019 – Caton).

ACTION CALENDAR
ITEMS NOS. 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21

ITEM NO. 12
REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION ON FUNDING REQUEST
OF OJUSD FOR CONTINUED SUPPORT OF SALMON STUDIES PROGRAM

On September 4, 2007 Ann Marie Bergen, the Oakdale School District Science Teacher came before the Board of Directors with a proposal for water education in the Oakdale Joint Unified School District. This consisted of a Fourth Grade Salmon Project which connected the Fourth Grade class to the Stanislaus River by raising Chinook salmon from an egg to a fry before releasing the salmon into the river. The Board of Directors agreed to support the project for three years.

This project was taken over by Krista Smith, Salmon Coordinator for Oakdale Joint Unified Salmon Studies. In January of 2014, Ms. Smith submitted a letter requesting the District's support for the 2014 Fourth Grade Salmon Project. Set forth below is a breakdown of the busing costs that the District has paid to support this project:

Year	Cost
2010	\$1,896.74
2011	1,484.38
2012	1,869.91
2013	1,499.04

The 2014 estimated busing cost for 400 students is \$2,100.00. The amount of funding being sought is beyond the approval of the Committee and is being brought before the Board for consideration.

Krista Smith, Salmon Coordinator for Oakdale Joint Unified Salmon Studies was present and discussed her request for support of the 2014 Salmon Studies Program to the Board.

A motion was made by Director Bairos, seconded by Director Clark, and unanimously supported to fund the busing cost for 2014 in the sum of \$2,100 for the Salmon Studies Program.

ITEM NO. 13
REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE START OF THE
2014 WATER SEASON AND ADOPTION OF LEVEL II DROUGHT MEASURES

The minimum inflow for the water year under the 80% probability range as forecasted by DWR on February 1st is 155,000 acre feet (see attached). Assuming only 150,000 acre feet of total inflow, OID's 2014 allotment would be 150,000 acre feet after incorporating the 88' Stipulation Agreement formula water. Of that, approximately 10,000 acre feet were used to complete an additional rotation last October. Staff's recommendation is to start the irrigation season according to the Level Two Water Shortage as discussed at the last board meeting (see the attached 2014 Water Action Plan). Operating under that scenario and scheduling rotation intervals according to ET, having only two 10 day rotations this season, suspending all out-of-district irrigation service and running deep wells at capacity could add approximately 44,000 acre feet to that total, getting close to 194,000 acre feet. With allocation to the Tier II water users being reduced by 50%, OID's total water demand is estimated to be 258,000 acre feet. The 64,000 acre feet shortfall will be made by drawing from the 72,000 acre feet currently available in OID's conservation account.

Even after the most recent storm events, the soil moisture profile is nearly 7 inches depleted and the near-term forecasts are still not great for any significant precipitation. With the dry conditions, it is staff's recommendation to start the 2014 water season on March 3rd. The early start will add another debt to our tight water budget, but it is believed that with good grower cooperation and everyone being water smart this year, we should be O.K. this irrigation season. Unfortunately, having drawn down the Conservation Account to near zero, OID's water outlook next season, should the drought continue, does not appear promising.

A motion was made by Director Bairos, seconded by Director Doornenbal, and unanimously supported to start the 2014 water season on March 3, 2014 and to adopt the Level II Drought measures.

ITEM NO. 14
REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION ON
WATER DELIVERIES TO OUT-OF-DISTRICT WATER USERS

As provided by policy, Oakdale Irrigation District (OID) typically makes a determination on the availability of "surplus" surface irrigation water for annual Out-of-District Service Agreements at the first board meeting in March. Given the anticipated water shortage noted in the previous agenda item, it seems appropriate to make this determination now in order to notify all applicants as early as possible to allow additional time for them to make other arrangements as necessary.

Staff recommends suspension of all Out-of-District Service Agreements during the 2014 water season in accordance with the Level Two drought response measures outlined in the 2014 Water Action Plan. The only exceptions being for the annual Out-of-District Service Agreements for the Army Corp of Engineers Orange Blossom Park Recreation Area and the fringe parcel annexations and additional annexation applicants currently in progress.

Should the Board move to deny Out-of-District Service requests during the 2014 water season, staff also recommends providing a refund of the \$100 application fee to all applicants whose requests were denied.

A motion was made by Director Bairos, seconded by Director Doornenbal, and unanimously supported to deny out-of-district service requests during the 2014 water season, with the exception of the Army Corps of Engineers Orange Blossom Park Recreation Area, the fringe parcel annexations, and the additional annexation applicants currently in progress.

ITEM NO. 15
REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION TO DIRECT STAFF
TO INVESTIGATE AND BRING BACK RECOMMENDATIONS
ON A REVISED WATER RATE SCHEDULE COMPLIANT
WITH SBx7-7 AND AN ASSOCIATED WATER RATE INCREASE

In accordance with the requirements of the Water Conservation Act of 2009 (SBx7-7) there are two (2) Critical (Mandatory) Efficient Water Management Practices (EWMPs) described in California Water Code §10608.48. These include the measurement of water delivered to customers with sufficient accuracy for aggregate reporting and adoption of a pricing structure based at least in part on the quantity delivered. OID is committed to meeting these legal requirements of the law and has assigned an implementation schedule in its 2012 Agricultural Water Management Plan to be compliant with this provision by the 2015 water season.

Unfortunately, these unfunded legal requirements will require additional capital expenditures and those monies will need to come from an increase in the water rates charged by OID in order to be implemented. Similarly, the current water rate for irrigation services are wholly under-valued to the true cost of services provided, as is reported each year to the Board.

The irrigation water rates being assessed in OID today are \$110 per acre below the inflationary adjusted rate. The irrigation water rate today (\$19.50 per acre) compared to the 1979 rate (\$31 per acre) has been reduced by \$11.50 per acre or 59%. The deterioration of Tri Dam revenues during the drought only adds to the urgency that this increase be pursued and in place for the 2015 water season.

Ken Krause was concerned that the one-time cost of the installation of the meter would be reflected on all future billings. Director Webb stated that would not happen.

Tom Orvis of the Stanislaus County Farm Bureau stated that Turlock Irrigation District has already started measuring at the gate and that OID may want to take a look at that District.

A motion was made by Director Bairos, seconded by Director Doornenbal, and unanimously supported to direct staff to investigate and bring back recommendations on a revised water rate schedule complaint with SBx7-7 and an associated water rate increase.

ITEM NO. 16
REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION ON ENFORCEMENT
OF RULES AND REGULATIONS NOS. 3032 AND 3036
REGARDING THE HANDLING OF A PRIVATE FACILITY IN DISREPAIR

As noted in the January 23, 2014 Water User Notice, leaking ditches and pipelines need to be repaired before the start of the irrigation season and systems not in good shape for the receipt of water may not get water. Since the Water User Notice was sent out, staff has received numerous inquiries about various long standing maintenance issues on private facilities that have not been addressed by the responsible parties.

OID Rules and Regulations Nos. 3032 and 3036 provide staff with the discretionary options that are available to remedy these situations. Given the number of issues that are expected to arise during this water year, staff is proposing to approach these situations as follows:

1. Upon notice to the landowner(s) of a deficient facility, allow a remedy date to cure the problem no later than one rotation after issuance of the notice.
2. If no remedy is implemented by the date allowed, water service would be terminated to all parties with some exceptions (see 4. below).
3. Upon termination, water would not be put back into the private system until the next regularly scheduled rotation following an inspection and confirmation that the issue had been addressed to the satisfaction of OID staff.
4. Special circumstances would continue to be addressed at staff's discretion in accordance with the Rules and Regulations.
5. Systems in such disrepair for which no timely cure can be implemented; water would be terminated until such repairs are made.

A motion was made by Director Bairos, seconded by Director Doornenbal, and unanimously supported to enforce the provisions of Rules and Regulations Nos. 3032 and 3036.

ITEM NO. 17
REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION TO AUTHORIZE GENERAL
MANAGER TO APPROVE PURCHASE OF TWO (2) USED VEHICLES (BUDGETED)

The Support Services Department budgeted for the purchase of two (2) used vehicles as part of the 2014 Budget. One of the vehicles is anticipated to be a used $\frac{3}{4}$ or 1-ton regular cab, four-wheel drive pickup to be utilized by one of the Support Services Field Supervisors. The other vehicle is anticipated to be a used $\frac{3}{4}$ ton truck with a utility bed for the use in the Water Utilities Department (WUD). The current vehicle used by the WUD is a diesel utility bed truck that is not conducive to their daily operations and would be reassigned to the Support Services Dept. to be utilized by a C&M Leadman.

Unfortunately, as used vehicles are placed on the market they are being purchased before the required approval of the Board of Directors can be obtained. This agenda item will approve the General Manager to purchase two (2) used trucks not to exceed the total amount of \$50 K. Prior to obtaining the General Manager approval for the purchase of the used vehicles, they will be thoroughly inspected by the Auto Shop Chief.

This was an anticipated expenditure and was included in the 2014 Budget.

A motion as made by Director Alpers, seconded by Director Doornenbal, and unanimously supported to authorize the General Manager to execute the purchase of two (2) used vehicles (Budgeted).

ITEM NO. 18
REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION
AUTHORIZING GENERAL MANAGER TO EXECUTE
A CONTRACT WITH A TEMPORARY EMPLOYMENT AGENCY

A Finance Department employee will be out on a medical leave for six (6) weeks beginning February 25, 2014. Due to these circumstances it has become necessary to hire temporary help for the interim.

Therefore, staff is requesting that the Board authorize the General Manager to execute a contract with a temporary employment agency.

A motion was made by Director Bairos, seconded by Director Doornenbal, and unanimously supported to authorize the General Manager to execute a contract with a temporary employment agency.

ITEM NO. 19
REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION ON LANDOWNER'S
REQUEST TO INSTALL DRAIN LINES ON THE SOUTH MAIN
CANAL (APN: 010-015-070 – SUNDANCE DEVELOPMENT, INC.)

The Oakdale Irrigation District (OID) South Main Canal crosses the property noted above owned by Sundance Development, Inc. The existing topography of the property has led to perpetual flooding of the west bank of the South Main Canal from irrigation runoff. Several

drain pipelines were previously installed without OID's permission and were required to be removed as they did not meet OID standards and specifications. Subsequent to that, OID prepared an estimate of the cost for OID crews to install the drain lines at landowner expense per OID policy, but a response was never received and a deposit was never submitted. Robert Longstreth is in charge of the farming activities on the property and met with the Water Committee on February 4th to discuss his proposal to address the drainage issue and requested that he be allowed to install the drain lines instead of OID crews. Given that the drain lines will be installed above the high water level of the South Main Canal, OID Staff has no objections to Mr. Longstreth performing this work. As such, OID Staff recommends approval of this variance to policy under the condition that the landowners first obtain Encroachment and Agricultural Discharge Permits and that all work is performed in accordance with OID standards and specifications. OID Staff will be available to answer any questions the Board may have.

A motion was made by Director Bairos, seconded by Director Doornenbal, and unanimously supported to approve landowner's request to install drain lines on the South Main Canal (APN: 010-015-070 – Sundance Development, Inc.).

ITEM NO. 20
REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION ON LANDOWNER'S REQUEST TO
RELOCATE A PORTION OF CHAPPEL DRAIN (APN: 229-021-010 – LONGSTRETH)

The Oakdale Irrigation District (OID) Chappel Drain lies approximately 25' south and parallel to the OID Campbell Lateral within the northeast corner of the parcel noted above for approximately 315 feet before crossing north under the Campbell Lateral. The owner of the property, Robert Longstreth, would like that portion of the Chappel Drain to be relocated immediately adjacent to the south side of the Campbell Lateral such that additional land would be available for his proposed orchard installation. Mr. Longstreth made a request at the February 4th Water Committee Meeting to have the drain relocated at OID's expense. Given the current alignment of the drain operationally meets the needs of OID, staff recommends that any relocation of the Chappel Drain occur at the landowner's expense with approved plans per OID standards and specifications and only after OID's insurance requirements have been met. Any work on the drain is also only recommended to be permitted after the 2014 irrigation season has ended. OID Staff was available to answer any questions of the Board.

A motion was made by Director Bairos, seconded by Director Alpers, and unanimously supported to approve landowner's request to relocate a portion of Chappel Drain (APN: 229-021-010 – Longstreth).

ITEM NO. 21
REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION ON LANDOWNER'S
REQUEST FOR AN ENCROACHMENT PERMIT ON THE CHAPPEL
PIPELINE AND CHAPPEL DRAIN (APNS: 229-022-044/030 – LONGSTRETH)

The Oakdale Irrigation District (OID) Chappel Pipeline and Chappel Drain cross the above noted parcels, both owned by Robert Longstreth. Mr. Longstreth has recently converted the property to an almond orchard and is requesting permission to plant trees within the

existing facility easements. The easement on the Chappel Drain open ditch is currently 60' wide, and the Chappel Pipeline easement is 40' wide. Mr. Longstreth met with the Water Committee on February 4th to discuss a reduction in easement widths or an Encroachment Permit for trees within the easement. He wishes to plant trees at 15' from each side of the Chappel Pipeline centerline and up to the toe of the Chappel Drain banks. Mr. Longstreth currently has trees planted within approximately 6 inches of the existing easement boundaries. OID Staff does not recommend approval of Mr. Longstreth's request as the canopy of the mature almond trees will encroach upon the existing OID easements and are likely to hinder OID's access for maintenance, operations and construction as currently planted. Although Mr. Longstreth has worked well with OID in pruning and/or removal of his trees in the past, this may not be the case with any potential future property owners of the parcel. OID Staff is seeking direction from the Board and will be available to answer any questions the Board may have.

A motion was made by Director Alpers, seconded by Director Clark and unanimously supported to deny landowner's request for an encroachment permit on the Chappel Pipeline and Chappel Drain (APNS: 229-022-044/030 – Longstreth).

ITEM NO. 22 **COMMUNICATIONS**

A. GENERAL MANAGERS REPORT

Safety Activities

1. OID has gone 288 days without a lost time injury accident.

Administration Activities

1. Drought preparations continue.
2. Provided the Stanislaus Farm Bureau a "water perspective" on a variety of issues, drought following being one of them.
3. Met with Trinitas for annual water budget meeting on February 5th.
4. Filling a Public Records Request for the Modesto Bee.
5. Met with the screening committee and JPowers regarding the hiring of the Tri Dam General Manager.
6. Met with the Stanislaus Groundwater Coalition Group regarding groundwater and groundwater pumping.
7. Filled the Warehouseman/Yardman position in-house (Michael Evans).
8. Met with attorneys representing Evelyn Venoble on the Garr Pipeline.
9. Meeting with State Water Resources Control Board member Dee Dee D'Adamo on February 14th.
10. Meeting with the Bureau of Reclamation on the Revised Plan of Operations for New Melones on February 14th.
11. ID 52 Settlement Conference and deposition preparation to occur in February 18th. This trial begins March 4th. All parties involved need to be available for that week.

Contract and Special Project Activities

1. Two-Mile Bar Tunnel (CEQA & Engineering) – A status was requested from the Corps. The Corps still indicates the FONSI is on scheduled to be issued by mid-March. An update will be provided by the Corps on February 28, 2014. The final design for the Two-Mile Bar Tunnel has been received. Once the project has been released, the contract documents will require editing for bidding.
2. Beardsley Reservoir Recreational Improvements – The remaining work is being assembled in a Bid Package for bidding to local contractors in the Sonora area. The work will consist of the construction of a road/parking lot, cleanup of debris piles, and boulder placing around the perimeter in the China Flat Day Use Area. Also included in the bid package will be the asphalt trail work to the vista overlooking the reservoir and boat ramp in the Beardsley Day Use Area. The remaining contract work consists of crack repair and slurry seal on the upper parking lot for the Boat Ramp. This work was delayed due to cold weather. The surface must be a minimum of 55 °F before the sealant can be applied.
Ford Construction submitted claims for additional earthwork at the Beardsley Campground, the Black Oak Flat Campground and the Beardsley Day Use Area in the amount of approximately \$243,900. Subsequently, the claim was reduced to \$176,584 and then to \$135,000. Staff evaluated the claim and determined the claim could be worth \$115,000. The Claim was settled for \$125,000. In addition, Staff requested from the Engineer \$25,000 for the errors in the information provided to Tri-Dam for use in the bid package. This was settled for all outstanding invoices to be cancelled and the subsequent work since the last invoice would not be invoiced. The amount for invoices due is \$15,700 and approximately \$9,000 in work performed that will not be invoiced.
3. Willms Ranch Access Easement – Still no action occurred this period, Willms are waiting on court decisions before moving forward and stated they would advise us when a decision is forthcoming.
4. Office Relocation - A review various facilities is ongoing. Recently, the District Engineer for Coachella Water District provided the Architectural drawings for their new administration building. Now, OID has the architectural drawings for several sites which provides a good starting point for a preliminary layout for OID. One more visit is scheduled for a review of the TUD facilities in Sonora. No date has been set but will be after the annual OID audit.
5. Request for Proposals - Risk Management Plan (RMP) Compliance Audit was drafted and sent out. RFP was sent to six (6) organizations. As part of this RFP the PSM/RMP Five Year Update to be included. Also, a RFP for the Uniform Service is being completed being sent out for quotes. There are five (5) vendors interested in providing a proposal.
6. Contract Administration activities on contracts to be renewed and/or issued, Work Releases and Change Orders for all contracts are ongoing.

Construction Activities

1. Preparing and performing employee evaluations.
2. Conducting numerous landowner meetings in regards to present and future projects.
3. North Main – Fields Ranch: OID has removed our portion of the trees per the Agreement.
4. Assisting Water/Engineering Dept. with various assigned tasks.

5. River Road Structure Replacement: Crews have stripped all form work on the structure and are currently working on tying back to the existing pipelines and backfilling the excavation.
6. Kearney Pipeline Replacement Project: OID forces have mobilized to the site and have started to install the new 27" PVC pipe.
7. Fairbanks Pipeline Realignment Project: OID crews are working on multiple tasks to complete the project. The "Parodi Box" walls have been poured, stripped and crews are working on tying back to the existing turnouts. The "Weimer Deep Well Discharge Box" has been excavated, concrete has been placed into the floor section and crews are currently working on vertical form work. The Type 1 Turnout Box has been excavated, concrete placed into the floor section and crews are working on vertical form work. The RCP pipe has been installed and operators are working on backfilling the excavation pipe excavation, areas around the structures and installing the 30"RCP air vents. Coordination was done with PG&E and AT&T to drop the service connections to the affected landowners so OID could safely install the RCP pipeline. Coordination efforts are ongoing with PG&E to hold one of their poles along Edwards Road so OID can safely conduct a tie in to an existing turnout pipe.
8. Union Pipeline Spill Project: OID forces have placed concrete into the wall sections of the new structure and are currently working on stripping forms, backfilling excavation and installing rip-rap by the pipe discharge.
9. West Thalheim Replacement Project: OID forces have completed the installation of the new 24" PVC pipe and will return to finish grade the project when the ground is suitable for such work.
10. OID forces are working on the installation of handrails, grating and ladders on multiple projects.
11. The remainder of OID forces are working on routine maintenance tasks, turnout inspections/replacements and other various tasks on OID facilities.
12. Support Services Dept. is working overtime to complete all projects prior to the start of the irrigation season. Auto Shop staff is conducting inspections of DSO trucks in preparation of the irrigation season.
13. Attended the annual Magnacide H Safety and Application training at MID on 2/6.

Engineering Activities

1. Land use Conversion – Continuing to work with landowners, tenants, irrigation design companies and Support Services/Water Operations concerning ongoing and future land use conversion projects. Standard land use conversion letters going out on an as needed basis.
2. Continued to process several Encroachment and Ag. Discharge Agreements for Board approval.
3. Stan. Co. Water Advisory Committee (WAC) appointments were approved by the BOS. The first WAC meeting is scheduled for 9:00 am on February 26th. The next Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) meeting is tentatively scheduled for March 13th.
4. Continued to process several Requests for Work Approvals, plans and cost estimates for proposed 2014 winter construction and maintenance projects.
5. Fairbanks PL Easement acquisition paperwork was executed through 2 of the 3 parcels. Execution of the paperwork through the last parcel is in the process.
6. An opening for an Assistant Engineering position was posted. The deadline for submission is February 28th.

7. Completed cost estimates for the existing and proposed turnouts and FlumeMeter installations for all additional annexation applications and deposits received prior to the January 1st deadline.

Water Operations Activities

Aq Water

1. Continued to research and respond to miscellaneous irrigation and maintenance issues and inquiries.
2. Completed documentation and coordinated repairs to OID facilities with the C&M Department as necessary.
3. Initiated configuration of the Historian and ClearSCADA upgrades with the assistance of TESCO staff.
4. Continued setup of the STORM water delivery tracking system, the IPADs and associated application software.
5. Continued SCADA integration and field setup work on new automated sites. Installation of the new SonTek flow measurement units as began.
6. An opening for an IT/SCADA Technician position was posted. The deadline for submission is February 28th.
7. An opening for a DSO/C&M Worker position was posted. The deadline for submission is February 20th.
8. Continued winter water and storm water operations.
9. Continued to process and facilitate deep well rental and conveyance channel agreements.
10. Finalized the 2014 DSO assignments and schedules and continued preparation and coordination of orientation and training.
11. Pending approval by the Board, staff is preparing to bring water into the system on March 3rd. The first rotation of 2014 (second of the 2014 irrigation season) is proposed to be an 18-day rotation and be followed by a consecutive 18-day rotation that would start on or about March 21st.

Water Utilities

1. Improvement District No. 41:
 - Pumping Station No. 3 remains out of service due to high turbidity issues.
2. Improvement District No. 49 – Water Storage Tank:
 - Continued to monitor leaks on the water storage tank at Pumping Station No. 1. The tank remains in service and under observation.
3. Domestic Water Pumping Stations:
 - Staff continues to conduct weekly inspection, servicing and security checks on the pumping stations. There is nothing unusual or out of the ordinary to report.
4. Domestic Water Systems:
 - Monthly Coliform Bacteria water quality samples were collected on Monday, February 3rd. No problems were detected.
 - Title 22 water quality samples were collected on Tuesday, February 4th. These samples are collected every 3 years. Test results are still pending.
5. Knights Ferry River Pumps:
 - Monitored operations.

6. Irrigation Pumping Stations:

- Furtado Deep Well Pump – The VFD was removed and sent in for evaluation on Thursday, August 8th.
 - The site can still be operated by using MCP.
 - Staff has met with other agencies to view their VFD installations and is currently meeting with manufactures and suppliers to address OID's operational concerns.
- Finished Spring Servicing of the electrical control panels and pump motors in preparation for the start of the 2014 Water Season.
- WUD staff continues to conduct routine inspection, servicing and security checks of the irrigation pumping stations used as winter drain pumps. There is nothing unusual or out of the ordinary.
 - Continued servicing and monitoring those pumps in rental use.
 - Staff has met with other agencies to view their VFD installation and is currently meeting with manufactures and suppliers to address the operational concerns at the site.
- WUD staff continues to conduct routine inspection, servicing and security checks of the irrigation pumping stations used as winter drain pumps. There is nothing unusual or out of the ordinary.
- The Hirschfeld, Campbell, Valley Home, Allen, Furtado, ID 19, Fairbanks, Howard, Tennant, South Main #2, South Main #1, Burnett, Birnbaum, Bentley, ID 29, Steinegul, Riverbank, Weimer, Thornton, Huffman Deep Well Pumps and the Cavill #2 Reclamation Pump were reactivated for rental use. Most of these sites are still in rental use.
- Weimer Deep Well Pump - Was removed from service on Thursday, January 16th to allow C&M to replace the adjoining irrigation structure.
- Harter Reclamation Pump – The rebuilt pump and motor have been installed.
- Oakdale Deep Well – Began coordination with PG&E to temporarily drop power to the site as a safety precaution. Don Pedro Pump placed an order for the materials and worked to secure the necessary bonding as required.

B. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Water Committee Meeting, February 4, 2013

- Request of Robert Longstreth Regarding Chappel Drain and Pipeline (APNS: 229-022-004 and 229-022-030)
- Request of John Brichetto to Cost Share on Young Pipeline Spill Replacement

Director Alpers stated that the items submitted to the Water Committee were previously discussed on the Agenda.

C. **DIRECTORS' COMMENTS/SUGGESTIONS**

Director Clark

Director Clark had no comments.

Director Alpers

Director Alpers had no comments.

Director Bairos

Director Bairos had no comments.

Director Doornenbal

Director Doornenbal had no comments.

Director Webb

Director Webb stated that this is going to be a difficult water year, but he thinks that the District will get through it just fine. He stated that we all need to pull together and use our resources wisely.

OTHER ACTION
ITEM NO. 23

At the hour of 9:55 a.m. the Board meeting was adjourned. The next Regular Board Meeting of the **Oakdale Irrigation District Board of Directors** is scheduled for **Tuesday, March 4, 2014 at 9:00 a.m.** in the board room at 1205 East F Street, Oakdale, CA.

The next Regular Joint Board Meeting for the **Tri-Dam Project** is scheduled for **Thursday, February 27, 2014 at 9:00 a.m.** in the board room of the Oakdale Irrigation District, 1205 East F Street, Oakdale, CA.

Steve Webb, President

Attest:

Steve Knell, P.E., Secretary