MINUTES

Oakdale, California January 15, 2013

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:Frank Clark, President
Steve Webb, Vice President
Al Bairos, Jr.
Jack Alpers
Herman DoornenbalStaff Present:Steve Knell, P.E., General Manager/Secretary
Gary Jernigan, P.E., Contract/Special Projects Manager
John Davids, P.E., District Engineer
Jason Jones, Support Services Manager
Eric Thorburn, P.E., Water Operations Manager
Kathy Cook, Chief Financial OfficerAlso Present:Tim O'Laughlin, Water Counsel (arrived at 9:25 a.m.)

ADDITION OR DELETION OF AGENDA ITEMS

There were no additions or deletions of Agenda Items.

ACTION TO TAKE VARIOUS ITEMS OUT OF SEQUENCE

There were no items taken out of sequence.

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

PUBLIC COMMENT ITEM NO. 1

Tom Orvis who resides at 1245 Poplar, Oakdale, CA was present and wanted to inform the Board about the Oakdale High School Sports Boosters Club's annual dinner dance on February 23, 2013. He will provide information to the General Manager Steve Knell. He also stated that on behalf of the Stanislaus County Farm Bureau he wanted to let the Board know that on February 8, 2013 the Farm Bureau will be having their annual Stanislaus Safety Seminar from 8:00 a.m. to noon at the MJC Ag Pavilion on the West Campus and lunch will be provided. Also, on February 13, 2013 the Stanislaus County Farm Bureau will be taking a bus down to the Tulare Farm Show leaving Modesto at 6:00 a.m. and returning about 7:00 p.m. and the cost is \$50 for members and \$60 for nonmembers.

Joe Furtado who resides at 6430 Claribel Road discussed a leak in a private pipeline located on the County road right-of-way on Claribel Road. The County has said that they would provide the materials to fix the leak, but would not do the work. Director Webb referred his request to the Water Committee. Director Clark requested that a letter be forwarded to Mr. Furtado advising him of the date, time and location of the Water Committee Meeting. There was also present Rod Compton, 6178 Claribel Road, Oakdale, CA and Tracy Mendonza 4707 Wellsford Road, Oakdale, CA. They also requested that a letter be forwarded to them advising them of the date, time, and location of the Water Committee Meeting.

There being no further Public Comment; Public Comment closed at 9:12 a.m. and the Board Meeting continued.

<u>CONSENT ITEMS</u> ITEM NOS. 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20

ITEM NO. 2 <u>APPROVE THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MINUTES</u> <u>OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF DECEMBER 18, 2012</u> AND RESOLUTIONS NOS. 2012-77, 2012-78, AND 2012-79

A motion was made by Director Webb, seconded by Director Alpers, and unanimously supported to approve the Board of Directors' Minutes of the Regular Meeting of December 18, 2012 and Resolution Nos. 2012-77, 2012-78, and 2012-79.

ITEM NO. 3 APPROVE THE OAKDALE IRRIGATION DISTRICT STATEMENT OF OBLIGATIONS

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

ITEM NO. 4 <u>APPROVE IMPROVEMENT</u> <u>DISTRICT STATEMENT OF OBLIGATIONS</u>

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

ITEM NO. 5 <u>APPROVE TREASURER AND CHIEF FINANCIAL</u> <u>OFFICER'S REPORT FOR THE MONTH ENDING NOVEMBER 30, 2012</u>

A motion was made by Director Webb, seconded by Director Alpers, and unanimously supported to approve the Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer's Report for the month ending November 30, 2012.

ITEM NO. 6 <u>APPROVE RENEWAL OF MEMBERSHIP</u> <u>WITH CALIFORNIA FARM WATER COALITION</u>

A motion was made by Director Webb, seconded by Director Alpers, and unanimously supported to approve renewal of the membership with California Farm Water Coalition in the sum of \$3,000.

ITEM NO. 7 <u>APPROVE PAYMENT TO SAN JOAQUIN</u> TRIBUTARIES AUTHORITY TO FUND THE 2013 BUDGET

A motion was made by Director Webb, seconded by Director Alpers, and unanimously supported to approve the payment to San Joaquin Tributaries Authority to fund the 2013 Budget.

ITEM NO. 8 APPROVE ATTENDANCE BY DIRECTORS AT THE 46TH MID-PACIFIC REGION WATER USERS' CONFERENCE IN RENO, NEVADA

A motion was made by Director Webb, seconded by Director Alpers, and unanimously supported to approve attendance by Directors at the 46th Mid-Pacific Region Water Users' Conference in Reno, Nevada.

ITEM NO. 9 <u>APPROVE AMENDMENT NO. 06 TO PROFESSIONAL</u> <u>SERVICES AGREEMENT 2008-PSA-007 WITH BOUTIN</u> JONES, INC. FOR REVISED HOURLY RATE SCHEDULE

A motion was made by Director Webb, seconded by Director Alpers, and unanimously supported to approve Amendment No. 06 to Professional Services Agreement 2008-PSA-007 with Boutin Jones, Inc. for the revised hourly rate schedule.

ITEM NO. 10 <u>APPROVE AMENDMENT NO. 02 TO PROFESSIONAL SERVICES</u> <u>AGREEMENT 2009-PSA-004 WITH DAMRELL, NELSON, SCHRIMP, PALLIOS,</u> <u>PACHER & SILVA FOR REVISED HOURLY FEE AND RATE SCHEDULE</u>

A motion was made by Director Webb, seconded by Director Alpers, and unanimously supported to approve Amendment No. 02 to Professional Services Agreement 2009-PSA-004 with Damrell, Nelson, Schrimp, Pallios, Pacher & Silva for revised hourly fee and rate schedule for their new attorney.

ITEM NO. 12 <u>APPROVE GENERAL SERVICES AGREEMENTS WITH</u> <u>VARIOUS VENDORS AND/OR CONTRACTORS (COIT SERVICES, T.P.</u> <u>EXPRESS PORTABLE TOILET RENTALS, ALLIED CONCRETE PUMPING,</u> <u>INC., INTEGRATED TELECOM SOLUTIONS, INC., AND 7/11 MATERIALS, INC.)</u>

A motion was made by Director Webb, seconded by Director Alpers, and unanimously supported to approve General Services Agreements with various vendors and/or contractors (Coit Services, T.P. Express Portable Toilet Rentals, Allied Concrete Pumping, Inc., Integrated Telecom Solutions, Inc., and 7/11 Materials, Inc.).

ITEM NO. 13 <u>APPROVE WORK RELEASE NO. 004 TO GENERAL SERVICES</u> <u>AGREEMENT 2010-GSA-016 WITH RUBICON SYSTEMS AMERICA, INC.</u> <u>TO PROVIDE TECHNICAL SUPPORT SERVICES FOR TROUBLESHOOTING,</u> <u>START-UP, AND/OR MAINTENANCE OF THE RUBICON CONTROL SYSTEMS</u>

A motion was made by Director Webb, seconded by Director Alpers, and unanimously supported to approve Work Release No. 004 to General Services Agreement 2010-GSA-016 with Rubicon Systems America, Inc. to provide technical support services for troubleshooting, start-up, and/or maintenance of the Rubicon Control Systems.

ITEM NO. 14 <u>APPROVE AMENDMENT NO. 01 TO GENERAL</u> <u>SERVICES AGREEMENT 2012-GSA-041 WITH TESCO</u> <u>CONTROLS, INC. TO REVISE LABOR RATE FOR 2013</u>

A motion was made by Director Webb, seconded by Director Alpers, and unanimously supported to approve Amendment No. 01 to General Services Agreement 2012-GSA-041 with Tesco Controls, Inc. to revise labor rate for 2013.

ITEM NO. 15 <u>APPROVE WORK RELEASE NO. 002 TO GENERAL</u> <u>SERVICES AGREEMENT 2012-GSA-041 WITH</u> <u>TESCO CONTROLS, INC. FOR TECHNICAL AND SCADA SUPPORT</u>

A motion was made by Director Webb, seconded by Director Alpers, and unanimously supported to approve Work Release No. 002 to General Services Agreement 2012-GSA-041 with Tesco Controls, Inc. for technical and SCADA support.

ITEM NO. 16 <u>APPROVE WORK RELEASE NO. 009 TO PROFESSIONAL</u> <u>SERVICES AGREEMENT 2009-PSA-003 WITH CONDOR</u> <u>EARTH TECHNOLOGIES TO PERFORM THE FINAL DESIGN</u> <u>AND CONTRACT DOCUMENTS FOR THE TWO MILE BAR TUNNEL</u>

A motion was made by Director Webb, seconded by Director Alpers, and unanimously supported to approve Work Release No. 009 to Professional Services Agreement 2009-

PSA-003 with Condor Earth Technologies to perform the final design and contract documents for the Two Mile Bar Tunnel.

ITEM NO. 17 <u>APPROVE ENCROACHMENT PERMIT ON THE</u> <u>TOWN "C" PIPELINE (APN: 064-001-008 – CITY OF OAKDALE)</u>

A motion was made by Director Webb, seconded by Director Alpers, and unanimously supported to approve the Encroachment Permit on the Town "C" Pipeline (APN: 064-001-008 – City of Oakdale).

ITEM NO. 18 <u>APPROVE AGRICULTURAL DISCHARGE PERMIT</u> ON THE BURNETT LATERAL (APN: 006-001-061 - LEIVA)

A motion was made by Director Webb, seconded by Director Alpers, and unanimously supported to approve the Agricultural Discharge Permit on the Burnett Lateral (APN: 006-001-061 – Leiva).

ITEM NO. 19 APPROVE ENCROACHMENT PERMIT ON THE BURNETT LATERAL (APN: 006-001-061 – LEIVA)

A motion was made by Director Webb, seconded by Director Alpers, and unanimously supported to approve the Encroachment Permit on the Burnett Lateral (APN: 006-001-061 – Leiva).

ITEM NO. 20 <u>APPROVE CUSTOMER'S REQUEST TO WAIVE</u> <u>RURAL WATER SECURITY DEPOSIT AND LATE</u> PAYMENT FEES (APN: 010-032-010 – ARISTOTELOUS)

A motion was made by Director Webb, seconded by Director Alpers, and unanimously supported to approve customer's request to waive rural water security deposit and late payment fees (APN: 010-032-010 – Aristotelous).

ACTION CALENDAR ITEMS NOS. 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26

ITEM NO. 21 <u>REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION ON ENCROACHMENT</u> <u>REQUESTS ON THE TULLOCH PIPELINE (APN: 002-029-040 – THOMPSON)</u>

The owner of the above noted parcel, Michael Thompson, is in the process of improving his property and wishes to encroach upon the Oakdale Irrigation District (OID) Tulloch Pipeline and Cape Horn Lateral right-of-ways. When OID was first notified of the proposed encroachments in August of 2012, OID Staff (Staff) met with Mr. Thompson on site to discuss his desired improvements. As discussed in the attached November 19, 2012

technical memorandum, there are several encroachments Mr. Thompson wishes to install within the Tulloch Pipeline and Cape Horn Lateral right-of-ways. While Staff has recommended that some of these encroachments be presented to the Board of Directors for approval in an Encroachment Permit, there are several proposed encroachments that Staff deemed unacceptable. These encroachments include two (2) gates crossing the Tulloch Pipeline (not at the property line), a landscaped area, underground sprinklers and curb border within the Tulloch Pipeline right-of-way.

The Water Committee met with Staff and Mr. Thompson on December 18, 2012 and agreed with Staff's findings as set-forth in our November 19, 2012 technical memorandum.

Staff recommends action by the full Board to reaffirm both Staff's position and that of the Water Committee. Any decisions contrary to Staff's recommendation will have significant negative operation and maintenance ramifications. Staff and members of the Water Committee were available to answer any questions the Board may have.

Mr. Thompson was present and discussed his encroachment requests with the Board of Directors.

A motion was made by Director Alpers, seconded by Director Bairos, and unanimously supported to deny his request for Encroachment Permits on the Tulloch Pipeline (APN: 002-029-040 – Thompson).

ITEM NO. 22 <u>REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION</u> <u>ON SETTING OUT-OF-DISTRICT WATER RATE FOR 2013</u>

The **full service cost** of water at OID (without benefit of hydro or water transfer revenues) is:

- > \$79 per acre foot, or
- > \$331 per acre.

At the December 20, 2011 Board Meeting the water rate for irrigation of lands outside OID boundaries was increased to \$40 per acre foot to more closely coincide with the full service cost of water at OID.

In November of that year it was discussed to raise the Out-of-District water rate incrementally until a rate of \$100 per acre foot is achieved by water year 2016. In keeping with that direction, the Out-of-District water rate for water year 2013 will be \$55 per acre foot for all measurable deliveries.

For deliveries that are not yet measurable, nor have approved measurement devices, those deliveries will be subject to a crop water duty. For water year 2013 that crop water duty will be as follows:

- Pasture 5.5 acre feet/acre (\$302.50/acre)
- Trees 4.5 acre feet/acre (\$247.50/acre)

- Corn 3.5 acre feet/acre (\$192.50/acre)
- Rice 4.5 acre feet/acre (\$247.50/acre)

(Note: This fee is based on a water rate of \$55 per acre foot at an estimated crop water duty using crop ET plus the policy allowance for a 70% application efficiency)

A motion was made by Director Bairos, seconded by Director Doornenbal, and unanimously supported to set the out-of-district water rate for 2013 in the amount of \$55 per acre foot for all measurable deliveries and apply to crop duty rate for non-measureable deliveries.

ITEM NO. 23 REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION ON AWARD OF BID FOR PROVIDING TECHNICAL SUPPORT TO THE IT DEPARTMENT

The District's IT Department consists of one (1) employee who provides technical support to forty-five (45) work stations and eight (8) servers. In addition the employee serves the Water Operations Department for ClearSCADA and Rubicon systems maintenance. Due to his workload, OID has had to recall the employee numerous times on weekends, after hours and back from vacation to fix technical issues. This General Service Agreement (GSA) will be issued to have a firm available and knowledgeable of the OID systems to provide the necessary tech support during scheduled or emergency absences of the District IT Coordinator.

There were a number of consulting firms reviewed in the local area and three were found with the capabilities to meet the District's needs. There were other consulting firms located further away with the same capabilities but their response time and travel time would be an issue. Therefore, it was decided to solicit bids from three (3) firms; Path of Modesto, Solid Networks of Salida, and ITSolutions/Currie of Modesto. Of the three (3), two (2) responded; Data Path and ITSolutions/Currie. Solid Network did not provide a proposal due to their work load.

Staff reviewed the two (2) proposals and recommends the GSA be awarded to Data Path, Inc. of Modesto based on IT capabilities, SCADA knowledge, and price. Staff requests authorization for the General Manager to execute the General Services Agreement with Data Path, Inc.

A motion was made by Director Alpers, seconded by Director Webb, and unanimously supported to award the bid for providing technical support to the IT Department to Data Path, Inc.

ITEM NO. 24 <u>REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION TO</u> <u>AWARD BID FOR PROVIDING SUPPORT TO THE</u> <u>WATER UTILITIES DEPARTMENT ON AN AS NEEDED BASIS</u>

There are three (3) employees in the Water Utilities Department; A Supervisor, one full time employee and one temporary employee. During 2012, one of the Water Utilities Department Technicians was out on medical leave and the Water Utilities Supervisor was

involved in a vehicle accident. Fortunately, the Supervisor could continue working but had he not been able to continue with his duties, the District would have had been in a difficult situation in meeting its domestic water needs. It became apparent the District needed a fallback option for such emergencies and the ability to call out a contractor with the necessary permits, licenses, and knowledge of the system to meet the day to day operational needs of the Domestic Water Systems.

A Request for Proposal was drafted and sent to six (6) vendors; Howk Systems, I.J. Larsen Pumps, Don Pedro Pump, Calwater Drilling Co., Amerine Systems, Inc. and California Water Service Company. Of the six (6) vendors, two (2) responded; I.J. Larsen Pumps, Inc. and Don Pedro Pumps. Of the two (2) vendors providing bids, I.J. Larsen met all the requirements of the Request for Proposal and provided the lowest cost.

Staff recommends the GSA be awarded to I.J. Larsen Pumps, Inc. of Modesto based on capabilities and price. Staff requests authorization for the General Manager to execute the General Services Agreement with I.J. Larsen Pumps, Inc.

A motion was made by Director Webb, seconded by Director Bairos, and unanimously supported to award the bid for providing support to the Water Utilities Department on an as needed basis to I.J. Larsen Pumps, Inc.

ITEM NO. 25 <u>REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION ON AWARD OF</u> <u>BID TO DON PEDRO PUMP AS THE LOWEST QUALIFIED</u> <u>RESPONSIVE BIDDER FOR THE NORTH SIDE REGULATING</u> <u>RESERVOIR DEEP WELL PUMP AND MOTOR SUPPLY AND INSTALLATION</u>

The North Side Regulating Reservoir Deep Well Pump and Motor Supply and Installation Bid package was sent to eight (8) contractors and bids were received from four (4) bidders. The eight contractors were Amerine Systems, Universal Pump & Supply, Central Valley Pump, Don Pedro Pump, Noack Pump, Valley Pump & Dairy Systems, Howk Systems, and Golden State Irrigation Services. The four (4) bids received range from \$47,736 to \$69,300 with Don Pedro Pump submitting the low bid.

Staff recommends authorizing the General Manager to award the contract to Don Pedro Pump for the North Side Regulating Reservoir Deep Well Pump and Motor Supply and Installation in the amount of \$47,736.00 and issue a Notice of Award.

A motion was made by Director Alpers, seconded by Director Doornenbal, and unanimously supported to award the bid to Don Pedro Pump as the lowest qualified responsive bidder for the North Side Regulating Reservoir deep well pump and motor supply and installation.

ITEM NO. 26 <u>REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION TO</u> <u>APPROVE ANNUAL REVIEW OF ASSIGNED VEHICLES</u>

The Oakdale Irrigation District Vehicle Policy, Section 2.01, states that assigned vehicles may be authorized for use by specific employees on a full-time basis when it is determined to be in the best interest of the District. The General Manager must approve each assigned

vehicle and such assignment shall be reviewed annually by the General Manager and the Board of Directors.

Position	<u>2013</u>
General Manager	Yes
Chief Financial Officer	Yes
Support Services Manager	Yes
Water Operations Manager	Yes
Contract/Special Projects Manager	Yes
District Engineer	Yes
Supervisor Water Operations	Yes
Supervisor Water Operations/Pest Control Coordinator	Yes
Supervisor Water Operations-Utilities	Yes
Supervisor of Field Operations	Yes
Water Utilities Technician	Yes (Vacant)
Water Utilities Serviceman	Yes
Safety Coordinator/Instrument/Controls Technician	Yes

A motion was made by Director Webb, seconded by Director Alpers, and unanimously supported to approve the assigned vehicles.

DISCUSSION CALENDAR ITEM NOS. 27, 28

ITEM NO. 27

DISCUSSION ON THE SUBSTITUTE ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT IN SUPPORT OF POTENTIAL CHANGES TO THE WATER QUALITY CONTROL PLAN FOR THE SAN FRANCISCO BAY-SACRAMENTO/SAN JOAQUIN DELTA ESTUARY: SAN JOAQUIN RIVER FLOWS AND SOUTHERN DELTA WATER QUALITY

The State Water Resources Control Board has released their Subsequent Environmental Document to the Water Quality Control Plan for the Delta. This document specifically addresses the changes that are to occur on the San Joaquin River and in the South Delta. The document is a further statement of the intransient nature of the State in asserting that flow and flow alone will solve the delta's problems. OID should take heed that for all our communities and the agricultural economies that support those communities, the implementation of the SED objectives will cause irreparable harm to our area. The SED is proposing to take 35% of the water volume in the river that would have occurred from February to June and make it available to solving the delta's problems. Irrigation districts and the recreational facilities that depend on that volume will get what's left. Some impacts of that action include:

- The reduction of 181,000 acre feet from the three irrigation districts to meet this standard. It should be noted that this is an "average" number. In some years that number could be as high as 465,000 to 800,000 acre feet.
- The likely retirement of 66,500 acres of ag land on "average."

- The loss of 465 agricultural jobs on "average." These would be low wage earning jobs associated with the ag industry and could be upwards of 2,000-4,000 for those "non-average" years.
- The likely loss of \$40 million in crop revenues exclusive of roll-up costs. Again, on average.
- The burden of each household to pay more for electricity to make up for the power generating losses from hydro to the tune of \$2.45 million. Could be upwards of \$15 million in some years.
- The likely loss of recreational visitors to our area of 44,600 visitations due to the fact there will be little water left in reservoirs to have meaningful recreation.

For all those impacts identified above, the State of California has assigned a "minor impact' to our area.

While our local area will suffer from the SED's implementation there are others who will truly benefit or suffer no impacts whatsoever. They are;

- The benefit to Los Angeles who will have the ability to pick up a third of our water and pump it south at no cost or reimbursement. In essence, the SED makes "free water" available to LA while our local communities suffer the economic impacts of making that water available.
- The SJ River south of its confluence with the Merced River (Friant Water Users) has been given a hall pass regarding contributions of any water to the delta's problems. Despite the SED's repetitive desire of attaining a more "natural flow regime" in the SJ River, their science tells them you can dismiss 30% of the basin and still get what you want from the irrigation districts on the Tuolumne, Merced and Stanislaus River. This would appear to be a form of political discrimination on the part of the State.

The State's hold card to circumvent the senior water status of the irrigation districts is to commence water right hearings as part of the SED's Implementation Plan. In these hearings they would attempt to legally dismiss the water right priority system in California. Their end game being it appears is to take control of all water in all forms for the beneficial needs of the State as identified by the State.

Allen Short, Executive Officer of the San Joaquin River Tributaries was present.

Attorney Tim O'Laughlin was also present to brief the Board further on this matter. The Board will discuss how to address the impacts of the SED document in Closed Session.

ITEM NO. 28 DISCUSSION ON BUSINESS ITEMS AS THEY APPEAR ON THE TRI-DAM BOARD AGENDA FOR THURSDAY, JANUARY 17, 2013

This item is placed here for the Board to discuss Tri-Dam agenda items.

COMMUNICATIONS ITEM NO. 29

A. GENERAL MANAGERS REPORT

Safety Activities

1. OID has gone 65 days without a lost time injury accident.

Administration Activities

- The District's comprehensive annual financial report for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2011. OID once again qualified for a Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting. Congratulations to Kathy Cook and staff for their great work.
- Lori Fitzwater-Presley completed Human Resources Certificate Program offered through the ACWA/JPIA Professional Development Program. Congratulations are in order on her accomplishment.
- 3. The District was recognized for its outstanding community service by the Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors on December 18, 2012. The recognition was for the contributions OID made to the improvements to the Valley Home Community Park in Valley Home.
- 4. GM to speak at a Management / Operations Seminar in Phoenix on January 23rd and 24th. Seminar is for irrigation district general managers in the western states.
- 5. Addressing some North Main Canal requests on Steve Fields property. Awaiting a letter of response.
- 6. Director Clark is receiving a Lifetime Achievement Award at the Chamber of Commerce Awards banquet on January 18th.
- 7. Tom Laidlaw, Water Operations Supervisor announced his retirements effective March 1st of this year.

Contract and Special Project Activities

- 1. Two-Mile Bar Tunnel (CEQA & Engineering) Still no action this period due to the Corps Personnel assisting Hurricane Sandy clean up. OID effectively has all the easements necessary for the new Two-Mile Bar Tunnel. The Corps of Engineers, Sacramento Section, has responded to the District request for a construction and tunnel easement by granting, in principle, the construction and operation easements on government land. However, the review process by the Corp of Engineers for the NEPA document and the Cultural Resource Assessment Report could not begin until a determination was received from the Corps of Engineers' Regulatory Section's review of the Wetlands delineation Report. The District has received a letter from the Corp of Engineers Regulatory Section confirming that the project is exempt from Section 404 of the Clean Water Act and does not require a Department of the Army permit. Now, the Real Estate Section of the Corps of Engineers can begin the review process of the NEPA documents submitted.
- 2. Two-Mile Bar Tunnel Final Design A cost proposal and schedule was received for the final design phase of the Two-Mile Bar Tunnel from Condor Earth Technologies. The Work Release will be presented at the January 15, 2013 Board Meeting for approval.
- 3. North Side Regulating Reservoir Deep Well Bids were received January 7, 2013 for the Pump and Motor Supply and Installation. The recommended Contractor is Don Pedro Pump who was the lowest responsive bidder. After the Board's approval of the

recommendation expected on January 15, 2013, a Notice of Award will be issued on or before January 18, 2013 and the Notice to Proceed issued January 25, 2013 with a completion date scheduled for March 15, 2013.

- 4. Beardsley Reservoir Recreational Improvements Met with Dan Pope, Tri-Dam's GM, to review improvements required by the FERC licensing requirements at Beardsley Reservoir. Started the review process to construct the Boat Launch Ramp to a point above normal operating level before May 1, 2013. The drafting of a bid package will be initiated no later than January 21, 2013.
- 5. Water Resources Financial Plan Update and Water Transfer Alternatives Analysis As part of the December 3, 2012 meeting, CH2MHILL presented an update to the analysis for the 2012 WRP. There are some deviations but overall, the assumptions and the operational results were accurate. Now, once some refinement and some additional information is taken into consideration the WRP Update can be finalized. The District provided an update on the CIP Projects to compare with the work initially scheduled in 2005 as to compare to the work completed up to 2013. Once the additional information and review process has been completed, the District and CH2MHILL will meet again and develop a path forward. Also, CH2MHILL provided cost estimates of the various alternates presented in the December 3, 2012 meeting. The CH2MHILL provided a preliminary conveyance model to OID as well as the results of specified runs for preliminary water delivery scenarios. CH2MHILL continued to develop the technical report for the project(s). The CH2MHILL Economist has taken the information from the original financial model, the preliminary financial model, with the comments from the December 3, 2012 meeting.
- 6. Proposals were received for the emergency support for the Water Utilities Department. Of the five (5) firms sent a proposal, two responded. The results and recommendation will be presented in the January 15, 2013 Board Meeting.
- 7. Proposal for IT Support was sent to three (3) local firms. Two proposals were received. The results and recommendation will be presented at the January 15, 2013 Board Meeting.
- 8. South Main Failure Emergency Response Plan was completed and presented to the Board in the December 18, 2012 Board Meeting.
- 9. New Office Project Development No Action this period. All activity on hold.
- 10. District Standard Specifications No activity this period.
- 11. Contract Administration activities on contracts to be renewed and/or issued, Work Releases and Change Orders for all contracts.

Construction Activities

- 1. Conducting and performing employee evaluations.
- 2. Fifteen OID employees are conducting training this week to become certified crane operators.
- 3. OID assisted the Oakdale Community Cemetery on January 8th by repairing a broken water line.
- 4. Hinds Lateral/Pipeline Project Crews have completed the installation of the inlet and control structure. The project is 95% complete and will be completed upon relocation of a power pole by PG&E and the arrival of the Rubicon SlipMeter.
- 5. Diliberto Project Crews have returned from holiday vacation and are currently working on placement of concrete lining upstream of the new structure and sub-grade preparation for rip rap on the downstream end of the new structure.

- 6. Wills Lateral Project Crews placed gunite on the liner section of the project on 1/8 and await the arrival of the Rubicon SlipMeter to complete the project.
- 7. Paulsell Lateral Crews have removed the old structure, excavated and placed concrete into the floor section of the new structure and are currently working on forming the walls to the new structure.
- 8. West Pump Pipeline Project OID crews have started to install the remainder of the pipe that was started in the summer of 2012 and complete the necessary tie-ins to the existing pipeline.
- 9. Trinitas Turnout North Main Canal OID crews are currently working on installation of coffer dams, installation of a diversion pipe and excavating the site for the new turnout structure.
- 10. The remainder of OID forces are currently working on pipeline maintenance, splitting canal banks, crawling and patching pipelines and conducting canal gate inspections and replacements.
- 11. Purchased a used F-350 utility truck from Haidlen ford for the use of the Water Utilities Department.

Engineering Activities

- 1. Honolulu Bar Mitigation Project Second planting scheduled for 1/26/13. Project recently featured in the Modesto Bee and on Fox 40 News.
- SBX7-7 Working with Water Operations and Support Services to ensure successful testing and calibration of those parcels in the statistically representative sample in excess of 100 acres. FlumeMeters to arrive in late February.
- 3. Irrigated Lands Coalition Continued participation at both the ESJWQC and Delta Coalition.
- 4. STRGBA USGS Conference call held 12/11/12. Next call scheduled for 1/7/13.
- 5. Boatright Revised offer sent to Boatright 12/18/12. No response as of 1/4/13.
- 6. Knights Ferry Progressing as required. Draft Purchase and Sale Agreements sent to two parties. No formal response as of 1/4/13 despite several messages and telephone discussions.
- 7. Ohe Met with Ohe on 1/3/13. Engineering to review options in the field with GM and Support Services as soon as possible.
- Trinitas LAFCO Resolution re-approved at the 12/11 Special Board meeting. LAFCO package complete and submission pending execution of final Annexation Agreement. Annexation Agreement delivered to Trinitas for review. Final turnout construction drawings received and construction has begun.
- 9. Rate Study Reviewed with CH 12/3. CH to update and deliver working draft to OID for discussion by management team and Finance Committee as necessary. No response from CH as of 1/4/13.
- 10. CCWD LGA Application submitted 7/13/12. No notice of award to date.
- 11. Fields Ranch DRAFT Agreement prepared and delivered to Burden for preliminary review. No response as of 1/4/13. Misc. issues to be discussed in closed session today.
- Landuse Conversion Continuing to work with landowners, tenants, irrigation design companies and Support Services/Water Operations concerning ongoing and future landuse conversion projects.
- 13. STANCO Groundwater Export Ordinance 12/10/12 Ag Advisory Committee meeting held and noted that working group will be formed to continue work on ordinance. Evident that numerous discussions had taken place but no real progress had been

made in moving it forward. 1/7/13 Ag Advisory meeting canceled and next meeting set for 2/4/13. OID has requested to be part of the working group.

14. Engineering processing numerous requests for work approval and preparing designs for the winter work season.

Water Operations Activities

Ag Water

- 1. Continued to research and respond to irrigation inquiries regarding new connection possibilities on parcels for sale throughout the District.
- 2. Continued storm water operations throughout the District as necessary.
- 3. Coordinated Sconza water conveyance and/or deliveries with C&M activities and private landowner requests.
- 4. Winter SCADA maintenance continued on all remote monitoring and automation sites.
- 5. Continued to work with PG&E to proceed with easement acquisition, finalization of plans and contract documents for power supply to the NSRR Deep Well.
- 6. The Pest Department continued post-emergent applications and continued squirrel control processes. Pest Department Staff also assisted in clearing brush and vegetation on windy and rainy days along District facilities in which access was becoming restricted.
- 7. Continued to work with the OID Contracts and Special Projects Manager as needed to progress with the south side outflow and MID conveyance analysis by CH2M Hill.
- 8. Uploaded the updated Agricultural Water Management Plan to the OID website and submitted copies to DWR and the California State Library as required.

Water Operations Activities

Water Utilities

- 1. Improvement District No. 41:
 - Pumping Station No. 3 remains out of service due to high turbidity issues.
 - Continued to monitor small leak on the water storage tank at the Well No. 1 Station. The tank remains in service and under observation.
- 2. Rural Water System No. 1:
 - Collected monthly customer usage meter readings.
 - Conducted monthly testing of the back-up electrical generators.
 - Conducted bi-annual inspection and testing of the 4 pressure regulating valves located on the main water distribution pipelines.
- 3. Domestic Water Systems:
 - Monthly Coliform Bacteria water quality samples were collected on Wednesday, January 2nd. No problems were detected. All systems under OID's jurisdiction are operating without restrictions.
- 4. Domestic Water Pumping Stations:
 - Staff continues to conduct weekly inspection, servicing and security checks of the pumping stations. There is nothing unusual or out of the ordinary to report.
 - ID 45 Repaired storm damage to pump station fence.
 - Installed new screens on well head air vents.
 - Knight's Ferry River Pumps Site set up for cold weather operations.
- 5. On-Call Activities:
 - Nothing to Report

- 6. Irrigation Pumping Stations:
 - Staff continues to conduct routine inspection, servicing and security checks to the pumping stations in use as winter drain pumps.
 - Thompson Pond Reclamation Pump was temporarily reactivated for storm water use.
 - Gambini River Pump The repairs to the pump and motor have been completed.
 - Staff conducted end of year inspection and security checks on all the irrigation pumping stations. Only a few minor PG&E problems were found.
 - Staff has started spring servicing procedures to prepare the sites for the upcoming irrigation season.

Financing Activities

- 1. CFO returned to work on December 21st from medical leave.
- 2. Continue to assist in the Rate Study for the Rural Water System and other miscellaneous rates.
- 3. Preparing 2012 year-end closing and audit.
- 4. Routine accounting functions (AP, AR, PR, billing, reconciliations, etc.)
- 5. Preparation of PR 4th QTR reporting and W2s.
- 6. Preparation of 1099 reporting.
- 7. Submitted comments to Tri-Dam on the Reserve Fund Resolution that will be submitted for approval on January 17th.
- 8. Continue to assist GM with meet and confer.

B. WATER COUNSEL'S REPORT ON STATUS OF WATER ACTIVITIES

C. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

There were no committee reports.

D. DIRECTORS' COMMENTS/SUGGESTIONS

There were no Directors' comments.

At the hour of 11:58 a.m., the Meeting adjourned to Closed Session.

CLOSED SESSION ITEM NO. 30

- A. Government Code §54957.6 Conference with Labor Negotiator
 Agency Negotiator: General Manager
 Unrepresented Employee Organization: Operations Employees, Exempt
 Management, Exempt Supervisory, and Confidential Employees
- B. Government Code §54956.9(b) Anticipated Litigation Two (2) Cases

C. **Government Code §54956.8** - Conference with Real Property Negotiator Negotiating Parties: OID and Willms Property: APN: 011-013-009 Under Negotiations: Price and terms

At the hour of 12:20 p.m. the Board returned to open session.

Coming out of Closed Session Director Clark stated that by a vote of 5-0 the Board approved the terms and tentative agreements reached through negotiations with the OE3 Bargaining Group.

OTHER ACTION ITEM NO. 31

At the hour of 12:20 p.m. the meeting was adjourned. The next Regular Board Meeting of the **Oakdale Irrigation District Board of Directors** is scheduled for **Tuesday, February 5**, **2013 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**, **January 17, 2013 at 9:00 a.m.** in the board room of the South San Joaquin Irrigation District, 11011 East Highway 120, Manteca, CA

Frank Clark., President

Attest:

Steve Knell, P.E., Secretary