#### MINUTES

Oakdale, California September 2, 2008

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: Jack D. Alpers, President Al Bairos, Jr., Vice President Frank B. Clark Steve Webb Absent: Tony Taro
- Staff Present: Steve Knell, General Manager/Secretary Kevin King, Water Operations Manager Gary Jernigan, Contract/Special Projects Manager John Davids, District Engineer Jason Jones, Support Services Manager Kathy Cook, Chief Financial Officer

# 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. 2

There being no Public Comment; Public Comment closed at 9:01 a.m. and the Board Meeting continued.

General Manager Steve Knell requested that Item No. 7 be pulled from the Consent Calendar.

# <u>CONSENT ITEMS</u> ITEM NOS. 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10,

#### ITEM NO. 2 <u>APPROVE THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS'</u> <u>MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF AUGUST 19, 2008</u>

A motion was made by Director Webb, seconded by Director Clark, and unanimously supported to approve the Board of Directors' Minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 19, 2008.

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

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

#### ITEM NO. 4 <u>APPROVE ASSIGNMENT OF</u> <u>CAPITAL WORK ORDER NUMBERS</u>

A motion was made by Director Webb, seconded by Director Clark, and unanimously supported to approve the following capital work order numbers:

<u>Facility</u>	Project Description	Estimated Cost	Work Order No.
Wills Lateral	Demolished headwall and two existing turnouts (at Horseshoe Rd.) Install new precast control structure, 15" turnout and stilling well.		0839

#### ITEM NO. 5 <u>APPROVE RESOLUTION TO</u> <u>SURPLUS DISTRICT PROPERTY</u>

A motion was made by Director Webb, seconded by Director Clark, and unanimously supported to approve the Resolution to Surplus District Property.

# ITEM NO. 6 <u>APPROVE REQUEST FOR PAYMENT SCHEDULE</u> <u>AND CANCELLATION OF PENALTIES</u> (APNS: 207-027-010/011 – DAVID FERREIRA)

A motion was made by Director Webb, seconded by Director Clark, and unanimously supported to approve the request for payment schedule and cancellation of penalties (APNS: 207-027-010/011 – David Ferreira).

#### ITEM NO. 8 <u>APPROVE ENCROACHMENT AGREEMENT</u> <u>ON THE LESNINI LATERAL NO. 1</u> (APN: 002-023-013 – TRINITY FIRST ALMOND PARTNERS, LLC)

A motion was made by Director Webb, seconded by Director Clark, and unanimously supported to approve the Encroachment Agreement on the Lesnini Lateral No. 1 (APN: 002-023-013 – Trinity First Almond Partners, LLC).

#### ITEM NO. 9 <u>APPROVE DEFERRED CONDITIONS OF</u> APPROVAL AGREEMENT (APN: 229-022-030 – KNOWLES)

A motion was made by Director Webb, seconded by Director Clark, and unanimously supported to approve the Deferred Conditions of Approval Agreement (APN: 229-022-030 – Knowles).

# ACTION ITEMS ITEM NOS. 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 7

# ITEM NO. 10 REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION ON ENDING 2008 IRRIGATION SEASON

At the August 19, 2008 Board meeting a discussion item was place on the agenda in regard to ending the 2008 Irrigation Season at the end of September, with no October water deliveries.

The Board asked staff to evaluate the potential impacts to permanent crops if no water was going to be provided in October. Staff has evaluated this impact and estimates that just fewer than 20% of the permanent crops do not have access to an alternative source of water (i.e. District or private groundwater well). This 20% equates to roughly 2,100 acres, which makes up less than 4% of the total irrigated acreage within the District.

Materials provided with this report show that a post-harvest irrigation is important to almonds, however, the irrigation district has no ability to guarantee late season water in a drought and these acreages, without groundwater access, have put them at risk.

Current policy at OID does not allow for the differentiation or preference of one crop over another during a water shortage or drought. Currently, if there is water in the system, all water users have an equal claim to this water.

Options available to the Board with respect to ending the 2008 irrigation season:

1. End the irrigation season on September 30<sup>th</sup> with no October water deliveries. This option protects the full allotment for use in 2009 and minimizes the impact to all users should the drought persist.

- 2. End the irrigation season on September 30<sup>th</sup> with one (1) October water delivery. This option places substantial risk to all users if next year is like this year. OID will use its full allotment this year and this year being a fairly average ET year. If next year is an above average ET year, and the irrigation season begins early again, OID will only be able to provide limited and/or potentially no water deliveries in September 2009.
- 3. End the irrigation season on September 30<sup>th</sup> and keep the water system staffed through the month of October for farmer to farmer deliveries/transfers of deep well water they may wish to sell amongst themselves. For all crops that have no deep well water available, it allows those growers the opportunity to purchase water from those growers who do. OID would be available to manage these intra district transfers from farmer to farmer.
- 4. End the irrigation season on September 30<sup>th</sup> and offer water to those wishing to irrigate but with a special assessment of \$50 per acre to those who take water. The assessment would cover the cost to pump and or purchase water next year.

Staff supports Option 1. Recognizing the substantial and critical rehabilitation projects on the Cape Horn Tunnel and Little John Creek Diversion Dam and the prediction of the continuation of the drought, we see little upside to an October irrigation. Late season water is of less benefit when compared to early season water. Consequently, having sufficient enough supplies to get through most of September next year, if the drought scenario continues, should be of higher priority than an October water this year.

Ken Krause and Gordon Pimley were present at the hearing.

After a lengthy discussion, a motion was made by Director Webb and seconded by Director Taro to have one rotation in October, and was voted as follows:

Ayes:Directors, Webb, Clark, Bairos, TaroNoes:Director Alpers

#### ITEM NO. 11 <u>REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION TO</u> <u>AUTHORIZE THE GENERAL MANAGER TO</u> <u>PROCEED WITH THE PREPARATION OF THE</u> <u>NECESSARY DOCUMENTS TO OBTAIN A BOND CREDIT</u> <u>RATING FOR A POTENTIAL TAX-EXEMPT BOND ISSUE</u>

The District's Water Resource's Plan (WRP) anticipates over the next 20 years investing \$124M on rehabilitation and improved service projects, such as:

- Additional flow-control and measurement structures
- Additional groundwater wells
- > A north-side regulating reservoir
- Accelerated irrigation service turnout replacements
- Drain water reclamation projects

In addition, the District's risk assessment study of its main canals and tunnels identifies a need for \$44M to rehabilitate areas assessed as low to high hazard risks.

This \$168M is a 2006 number and has not been adjusted for inflation. As these projects are postponed costs are estimated to increase at an annual inflation rate of 3.5% (approximately a half-a-million per year).

Why finance infrastructure rehabilitation and improvement projects?

- 1. Financing allows for long-term borrowing that the District can use to raise money for <u>long-lived</u> infrastructure assets such as those identified above.
- 2. The interest that the District would pay to investor(s) on bonds is exempt from their federal and state taxes, which makes the interest costs less than it otherwise would be.
- 3. Financing provides a rationale for spreading the costs of infrastructure over time for different generations of payers benefiting from the District's facilities.
- 4. Financing allows the District to preserve cash reserves which are critical to a strong credit rating; which in turn lowers the cost of financing.

Michael Englebrecht who is with the Public Finance Group of Wells Fargo Bank was present and discussed the CIP Financing and the need to obtain a bond credit rating for a potential tax exempt bond issue.

Director Webb asked staff to give a review on the projects that the money is going to be borrowed for to see if the District is able to perform the projects.

A motion was made by Director Clark, seconded by Director Alpers, and unanimously supported to authorize the General Manager to obtain a bond rating, and was voted as follows:

Ayes:	Directors, Webb, Clark, Alpers, Bairos
Noes:	Director Taro

# ITEM NO. 12 <u>REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION ON</u> <u>AUTHORIZING THE GENERAL MANAGER TO SELECT</u> <u>AND EXECUTE A CONTRACT FOR BOND COUNSEL SERVICES</u> <u>AND AN INDEPENDENT PUBLIC FINANCIAL ADVISOR</u> <u>FOR A POTENTIAL TAX-EXEMPT BOND ISSUE</u>

# Bond Counsel

One of the first steps to begin preparing a financing is to retain Bond Counsel services. A Bond Counsel will provide the necessary legal services to issue the Bonds, including but not limited to:

- Providing an objective legal opinion with respect to the authorization and issuance of debt obligations and whether interest paid is tax-exempt under federal and/or state regulations;
- Prepares authorizing documents and any other document needed in connection with the issuance of the Bonds;

- Reviews use of proceeds to ensure compliance with applicable state and/or federal law and regulations;
- Prepares all documents and materials necessary to comply with all applicable "continuing disclosure" requirements for transactions;
- > Participate in activities associated with rating agency and/or bond insurer reviews;
- Offers continuing legal advise, as needed, on issues related to the sale of the Bonds, any issues that arise post-sale, the trustee administration of obligations, and in particular, any actions necessary to ensure that interest will continue to be taxexempt, arbitrage requirements; and
- Provides other legal opinions or advise as required.

Attached are references provided by two Bond Counsel firms that have been recommended by Wells Fargo Bank as having experience working with agricultural water districts.

# Independent Public Finance Advisor

An independent public financial advisor that has no affiliation with any underwriter or investment banking firm and acts solely on behalf of the issuer of the bonds. The key role of an independent financial advisor is to serve as an advocate for the issuer and provide the issuer with the information necessary to make intelligent, informed decisions. Public agencies often use a financial advisor to:

- Prepare financing plans and studies
- Develop transaction structuring options
- Coordinate the bond issuance process
- Serve as an issuer's "Bond Market" expert
- Provide pre- and post-pricing analyses

A motion was made by Director Clark, seconded by Director Bairos, and unanimously supported to authorize the General Manager to select and execute a contract for bond counsel services and an independent public financial advisor for a potential tax-exempt bond issue.

# ITEM NO. 13 <u>REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION ON FUNDING AND</u> <u>ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATED WITH THE 100-YEAR CELEBRATION</u> <u>AND AUTHORIZING THE GENERAL MANAGER TO</u> <u>EXECUTE AN AMENDMENT TO WORK RELEASE NO. 1 TO PSA-2008-003</u>

On June 17, 2008 the Planning and Public Relations Committee authorized Work Release No. 001 to 2008-PSA-003 with Astone for their assistance in planning for the 100-Year Anniversary celebration of the District.

On July 30, 2008, the Planning and Public Relations Committee met with Astone to discuss the celebration. On August 27, 2008 another Planning and Public Relations Committee meeting was held and Astone presented a draft of the Outreach and Activities Plan for the 100 Year Celebration which is attached hereto.

Staff is bringing this matter to the Board of Directors for their input on the planned activities. Upon final direction from the Board Astone will prepare a final budget for the event.

Upon submittal of the final budget, staff requests that the Board authorize the General Manager to execute an amendment to Work Release No. 001 to PSA 2008-003 for these outreach events.

Vern Crow of Astone was present to discuss and answer any questions associated with this agenda report.

Director Webb requested that all Board members go through the outline prepared by Astone in order to determine which items they would like Astone to pursue and which items they feel are not necessary for the 100-Year Celebration. This should be placed on the Agenda for the first Board Meeting in October for further discussion.

A motion was made by Director Webb, seconded by Director Clark, and unanimously supported to authorize the General Manager to execute an Amendment to Work Release No. 1 to PSA-2008-003 and approve a \$100,000 budget for the 100-Year Celebration.

# ITEM NO. 14 <u>REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION ON</u> <u>REQUEST FOR VARIANCE TO THE DISTRICT'S TURNOUT</u> <u>REQUIREMENT FOR ANNEXATION (APN: 002-063-039 – CONDE)</u>

OID sent the Conde's a letter stating that their annexation package would not be forwarded to LAFCO until they were fully compliant with the Conditions of Annexation as placed upon them by the Board. They have been asked to be placed on the agenda to request a variance to those conditions.

Manuel Conde was present and discussed his request for a variance. Mr. Conde stated that he would comply with the turnout request; however, he would like to be able to keep his filter screen on the turnout.

A motion was made by Director Webb, seconded by Director Bairos, and unanimously supported to deny his request for a variance to the District's Turnout Requirement for Annexation and to meet with staff to agree on the turnout and the use of his filter screen.

# ITEM NO. 15 <u>REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION TO</u> <u>MODIFY THE SCOPE OF WORK ON THE</u> <u>CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT AWARDED</u> <u>TO DRILL TECH DRILLING & SHORING, INC. FOR</u> <u>THE CAPE HORN TUNNEL REHABILITATION PROJECT</u>

At the August 19, 2008 Board of Director's meeting, Staff made a recommendation to award the Cape Horn Tunnel Rehabilitation Project to Drill Tech Drilling & Shoring, Inc. Also, based on the bid amount and a number of other parameters, Staff made a

recommendation to the Board to increase the Scope of Work by adding Phase II to the original Scope of Work. By doing so, cost savings of approximately \$400,000 would be recognized and 100% of the Very High Hazard and 80% of the High Hazard Areas would be rehabilitated and eliminated. The Board requested Staff to bring back to the Board the cost for the additional work.

Staff advised Condor Earth Technologies to provide the necessary drawings, documents and information to Drill Tech to develop a cost to add the Upstream Portal (Phase II) of the Cape Horn Tunnel to the original scope of work. Drill Tech was advised to provide a proposal to the Board for review.

The following is an accounting to this Contract:

Original Contract Price	\$3,105,901.00
Change Order No. 1 – Add Upstream Portal (Phase II)	TBD
New Contract Price	TBD

Staff recommends the Board approve to increase the Scope of Work to Drill Tech Drilling & Shoring, Inc. by adding the Upstream Portal (Phase II) to the original Scope of Work if the costs are reasonable when presented at the Board meeting.

A motion was made by Director Webb, seconded by Director Clark, and unanimously supported to approve the Change Order No. 1 in the sum of \$824,495.00 to Drill Tech Drilling & Shoring, Inc., for a total contract price of \$3,930,396.00.

## ITEM NO. 16 <u>REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION ON A</u> <u>MODIFICATION TO CHANGE ORDER NO. 4 TO</u> <u>2006-PSA-004 FOR CAPE HORN TUNNEL REHABILITATION</u> <u>PROJECT FOR CONDOR EARTH TECHNOLOGIES, INC.</u>

In July, the Board requested Staff to include Phase III Work of the Cape Horn Tunnel Rehabilitation Project with the Phase I work. Once the bids were received for Phase I & III, the indicated cost was lower than the original budget by a substantial amount. In a discussion item with the Board, Staff recommended a substantial cost savings could be recognized by adding the Upstream Portal (Phase II) to the original Scope of Work (Phase I & III). Also, by adding this additional work, 100% of the Very High Hazard Areas and 80% of the High Hazard Areas will be completed. The Board directed Staff to obtain the cost for the additional work and present to the Board at the September 2, 2008 Board Meeting. On August 20, 2008, Condor Earth Technologies (Condor) was advised of OID's intent to increase the original Scope of Work (Phase I & III) by adding the Upstream Portal (Phase II) to the Scope of Work. Condor was requested to provide Drill Tech Drilling & Shoring the necessary documents for Drill Tech to formulate a proposal for the additional Scope of Work.

Order No. 4 – Modification will include the additional services to complete the drawings, specifications and issue the contract documents to Drill Tech necessary for the additional work. The proposal and cost will be provided to the Board at the meeting due to time restraints on the preparation time needed by Condor.

The following is an accounting of the Change Orders to this Contract:

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Original Contract Price	\$118,360.00			
Change Order No. 1 – Flow Monitoring	2,526.90			
Change Order No. 2 – Provide CEQA assistance	10,000.00			
Change Order No. 3 – Final Design & Bid Documents	53,400.00			
Change Order No. 3 Rev 01 – Add/Deletion of Scope	18,962.00			
Change Order No. 4 – Add Phase III to Project Scope	63,208.00			
	\$266,456.90			
Change Order No. 4 Modification (Engineering Services)	TBD			

Staff recommends the Board approve Change Order No. 4 – Modification if the costs are reasonable when presented at the Board meeting.

A motion was made by Director Webb, seconded by Director Clark, and unanimously supported to approve a modification to Change Order No. 4 for Engineering Services in the sum of \$15,830.00 to Condor Earth Technologies, Inc., for a total Contract price of \$282,286.90.

# ITEM NO. 17 <u>REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION ON A</u> <u>MODIFICATION TO CHANGE ORDER NO. 5</u> <u>TO 2006-PSA-004 FOR CAPE HORN TUNNEL REHABILITATION</u> <u>PROJECT OF CONDOR EARTH TECHNOLOGIES, INC.</u>

At the August 19, 2008 Board meeting, Staff was requested to investigate the cost to add the Upstream Portal (Phase II) to original Scope of Work (Phase I and III) for the Cape Horn Tunnel contract work previously awarded. By doing so, 100 % of the identified Very High Hazard Areas and 80% of the High Hazard Areas will be eliminated. Condor Earth Technologies (Condor) were originally awarded a Change Order to provide Construction Management services for the construction of the Cape Horn Tunnel Rehabilitation Project. To add the additional work, Modification of Change Order No. 5 would be necessary to add this additional Scope of Work. This Modification would allow Condor to provide the additional services to assure the Contractor is meeting the contract requirements and the construction is in compliance with the drawings and specifications. Condor will provide additional Staff to supplement the Staff provided under the original Change Order No. 5.

The proposal and cost will be provided to the Board at the meeting due to time restraints on the preparation time needed by Condor.

The following is an accounting of the Change Orders to this Contract:

Original Contract Price	\$118,360.00
Change Order No. 1 – Flow Monitoring	2,526.90
Change Order No. 2 – Provide CEQA assistance	10,000.00
Change Order No. 3 – Final Design & Bid Documents	53,400.00
Change Order No. 3 Rev 01 – Add/Deletion of Scope	18,962.00
Change Order No. 4 – Add Phase III to Project Scope	63,208.00
Change Order No. 5 – Construction Management	<u>556,253.00</u>
	\$822,709.90

Change Order No. 5 Modification (CM Services)TBDChange Order No. 4 Modification (Engineering Services)TBD

Staff recommends the Board approve Change Order No. 5 – Modification if the costs are reasonable when presented at the Board meeting.

A motion was made by Director Webb, seconded by Director Clark, and unanimously supported to approve a modification to Change Order No. 5 for CM Services in the sum of \$66,660.00 to Condor Earth Technologies, Inc., for a total Contract price of \$905,199.90.

# ITEM NO. 18 <u>REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE</u> <u>CAPE HORN TUNNEL REHABILITATION PROJECT</u> <u>AND ON THE RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE OAKDALE IRRIGATION</u> <u>DISTRICT CAPE HORN TUNNEL REHABILITATION PROJECT</u> <u>FINAL MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION AND ASSOCIATED</u> <u>CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) FINDINGS</u>

A Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) was prepared for the Cape Horn Tunnel Rehabilitation Project pursuant to CEQA, a project that was identified but not specifically covered in the adopted Water Resources Plan (WRP) Programmatic Environmental Impact Report (PEIR). The MND was tiered from the PEIR and sent to the State Clearinghouse for circulation for thirty (30) days to allow for public and agency input on the proposed project. Three (3) written comments were received on the proposed project before the public comment period was closed. A public hearing was also held on August 19<sup>th</sup>, 2008 at which time no additional comments were received.

The comments received and the responses to comments are attached as Exhibit "A" of the resolution. Staff recommends that the Board of Directors (Board) approve the project and adopt the resolution in light of the fact that all potentially significant impacts have been mitigated so that there is no significant impact to the environment.

Should the Board concur with staff's opinion, after its independent review of the evidence in the record, staff requests that the Board approve the project and subsequent resolution as discussed above and included herein.

Mark Oliver of CH2M Hill was present and gave a PowerPoint presentation on the CEQA process.

A motion was made by Director Webb, seconded by Director Bairos, and unanimously supported to approve to take action on the Cape Horn Tunnel Rehabilitation Project and approve the Resolution Adopting the Oakdale Irrigation District Cape Horn Tunnel Rehabilitation Project Final Mitigated Negative Declaration and Associated California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Findings.

#### ITEM NO. 7 APPROVE CLAIM FOR DAMAGES BY TOBY AND STEPHANIE WHITE

General Manager Steve Knell stated that this item had been placed on the Consent Calendar; however the language did not reflect this. Therefore, it was pulled from the Consent Calendar and moved to the action calendar.

A motion was made by Director Bairos, seconded by Director Webb, and unanimously supported to reject the claim for damages by Toby and Stephanie White and forward it to ACWA/JPIA for handling.

## DISCUSSION ITEM ITEM NOS. 19

# ITEM NO. 19 <u>DISCUSSION ON U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY AND</u> <u>THEIR ONGOING COOPERATIVE WATER RESOURCES</u> <u>PROGRAM WITH STANISLAUS-TUOLUMNE RIVERS</u> <u>GROUNDWATER BASIN ASSOCIATED VIA MID</u>

This was included for Board reference and with regard to OID's ongoing activities with our cooperative partners in insuring the long term management of our ground water resources.

#### COMMUNICATIONS ITEM NO. 20

# A. GENERAL MANAGERS REPORT

# Safety Activities

- 1. 111 days without a lost time injury accident.
- 2. A dog-day is scheduled for August 22<sup>nd</sup>

# **Administration Activities**

- 1. Legal or Pending Issues;
  - a. Goad No change
  - b. Knight's Ferry Discovery has consumed staff's time
  - c. Chappell Drain- No change
  - d. Clark Pipeline- No change
  - e. Ed Perez and OE3 vs. OID- No change
  - f. Cahoon Property: Moving forward with hazard assessment of right of way.
  - g. Gregg Case-no change
- 2. Congressman George Radanovich stopped by to talk to OID.

# **Contract and Special Project Activities**

1. Verbal discussions held with RTC on Board's decision to accept RTC offer plus warranty through the 2009 water season. Letter sent to RTC stating conditions was sent to RTC. RTC stated they would proceed with payment to date no payment sent.

- 2. The Notice of Award was issued for the Cape Horn Tunnel Rehabilitation Project on August 26, 2008. The Notice to Proceed will be issued on September 15, 2008 with Submittals and temporary construction following. Also, Drill Tech was asked to price the additional work for the Upstream Portal of the Cape Horn Tunnel. Condor Earth Technologies was requested to provide a cost for final engineering, construction documents and the CM for the additional work.
- 3. Teichert Construction was issued a Notice of Award for the Little Johns Creek Dam Rehabilitation Project on August 25, 2008. A Pre-Construction meeting will be held on September 3, 2008. Notice to Proceed will be issued on or before September 5, 2008 with the receipt of the necessary Bonds. Mobilization is set for the week of September 22, 2008.
- 4. CH2MHILL/OID completed discussions with DFG for the Cape Horn Tunnel. All issues with Vernal Pools have been resolved and/or mitigated.
- 5. Derek Davis is to coordinating Kick-off meeting with Tracer for the RMP Compliance Audit.
- 6. A Work Release was issued to Hazardous Management Services for a hazardous assessment of the Cahoon property on Sierra Road. The field sampling set to begin on or about September 3, 2008 with the report being submitted no later than September 26, 2008.
- 7. Bid packages for the Riverbank/South Rehabilitation and the Fairbanks/Cometa Drop 8 Rehabilitation Projects were sent out with Pre-Bid meetings set up for September 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> respectively. The Riverbank/South bid is due on September 15, 2008 and the Fairbanks/Cometa Bid is due on September 22, 2008.
- 8. The Bid package for the Fairbanks Lateral Crossing at the SSJID Main Canal project will be sent out on September 3, 2008 and the bids are due on September 29, 2008.
- 9. Contract Administration activities on issued contracts to be renewed and/or issued, Work Releases and Change Orders for all contracts.
- 10. Project coordination with Engineering Consultants

# **Construction & Maintenance Activities**

- 1. Routine C&M Summer Maintenance
- 2. Promoted AI Ramsey to the position of "Fleet Equipment Mechanic"
- 3. Review Job-Set Up Forms
- 4. Review of potential dirt sites
- 5. Preparation of upcoming 2008/2009 Winter Construction Season
- 6. On-going constructability review of 2008/2009 Capital Projects
- 7. Performance Evaluation preparation
- 8. Various Landowner meetings

# Engineering Activities

- 1. Ongoing Suspense Forms.
- 2. Board Agenda Report preparation.
- 3. Master Encroachment Agreement preparation. MID, PG&E, City of Oakdale and City of Riverbank draft complete. Draft documents have been sent to Legal Council for review.
- 4. Stanislaus County Road Crossing Agreement. County comments have been received and the Agreement has been modified and is in to the General Manager for review.
- 5. OID Standard Detail Review.
- 6. Draft Structure Permit complete, John Davids to review

- 7. Working with Pacific Southwest Irrigation and Mr. Te Velde on a new turnout request off of the Cometa Drain.
- 8. Assisting Mr. Jernigan in compliance with the CEQA phase of the Cape Horn Tunnel Project
- 9. Plan check and design review on Engineering in progress:
  - a. Riverbank/Crane Split 90% Design Drawings Complete
  - b. Fairbanks Crossing at SSJID 90% Design Drawings Complete
  - c. Johnny Creek Headworks Rehabilitation Project 100% Design Drawings Complete and project awarded. PG&E has staked trees to be removed and obtaining estimate from Grover for tree trimming/removal. Awaiting streambed alteration permit from DFG.
  - d. Riverbank/South Rehabilitation Project 100% Design Drawings Complete. Began landowner meetings on 8/13/08 and have now met with all landowners involved.
  - e. Diliberto Long Crested Weir At ITRC for review by Dr. Charles Burt.
  - f. Lone Tree Creek ITRC Flap Gate Review Project on hold at this time
  - g. Burnett Lateral Rehabilitation Project G&K preparing the design drawings in five (5) separate bid packages for implementation of Phase I during the 2009/2010 construction season.
  - h. Knights Ferry Delivery System No progress to date
  - i. Pipeline Replacement Program Identification of top facilities for replacement – Water Department currently generating a list.
  - j. West Pump Pipeline Relocation Two different relocation options have been prepared and currently awaiting confirmation of a meeting with the landowner
- 10. Service Standard Review.
- 11. Performance Evaluation preparation.
- 12. Continued North Side Reservoir project management. Currently working on setting up a meeting with DOC and STANCO. Comments received from DSOD, confirmation that the north side reservoir is non-jurisdictional.
- 13. Conde's CEQA package is complete. Waiting for compliance with three (3) outstanding conditions of approval before the package will be taken to the Board for approval and subsequently sent to LAFCO for their review.

# Water Operations Activities

- 1. Continued water conservation efforts to stretch surface water supply to the end of September.
- 2. State Dept. of Health Services performed an inspection of the Rural Water System on August 19th. No issues.
- 3. Water Operations Manager, Kevin King was elected to the Board of the Ag Water Management Council. Mr. King will serve on the Board through 2010.
- 4. Preparing for Construction & Maintenance Season
- 5. Conducting various landowner meetings
- 6. Preparing items for 2009 Budget

# Finance and Accounting Activities

- 1. Staff met with Wells Fargo Bank (WFB) on August 15, 2008. 2008 Projections were prepared and furnished to WFB.
- 2. Providing bi-weekly capital project's 2008 costs and obligations to managers.

- 3. Preparation of 2009 Budgets for all Improvement Districts. Staff anticipates meeting with domestic ID's in September.
- 4. Continue to work on the 2009 Budget
- 5. Review and processing of contract payments
- 6. Routine accounting functions (AP, AR, PR, billing, reconciliations, etc.)
- 7. Continue to work of miscellaneous charges study
- ID52 landowners that obligated to the loans with OVCB and USDA received their first monthly loan billing. As of August 27<sup>th</sup>, 23 of the 39 landowners have paid their August bill. One property has gone through foreclosure and we are awaiting title information.
- 9. Responding to ID52 Public Records Request

# B. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- 1. San Joaquin County Flood Control and Water Conservation District, Advisory Water Commission, August 20, 2008
- 2. Planning and Public Relations Committee Meeting, August 27, 2008

Director Taro reported on the San Joaquin County Flood Control and Water Conservation District, Advisory Water Commission held August 20, 2008. He reported that most of the meeting was spent discussing flood controls.

There was no discussion on the Planning and Public Relations Committee Meeting held on, August 27, 2008 since it was discussed under Action Item No. 13.

# C. DIRECTORS' COMMENTS/SUGGESTIONS

# Director Clark

Director Clark stated that everyone should be paying attention to Assembly Bill 2175 requiring every irrigation district or anyone who distributes over 10,000 acre feet of water to implement a water use efficiency management practice by 2012.

# Director Webb

Director Webb thanked Water Operations Manager Kevin King and his water department for the good job that they did this year and how well his department did in staying on top of the water.

# Director Bairos

Director Bairos agreed with Director Webb's comments to Water Operations Manager Kevin King. Director Bairos also stated that he had received a couple of phone calls from constituents regarding the moss issue. Director Bairos also requested that the District make every effort to continue spraying the berry bushes.

# Director Taro

Director Taro asked what the statement "conducting various meetings with landowners" means. Water Operations Manager Kevin King stated that he meet with various landowners who call in and request a meeting to discuss flooding issues or problems with a neighbor's irrigation practices.

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<u>Director Alpers</u> Director Alpers had no comments.

At the hour of 10:51 a.m. the Board moved to Closed Session.

# CLOSED SESSION ITEM NO. 21

# A. Government Code §54956.8 Conference with Real Property Negotiator Negotiating Parties: OID and Stockton East Water District, City of Stockton Property: Water Agency Negotiators: General Managers and Counsel Under Negotiations: Price and terms of agreement

At the hour of 10:58 a.m. the Board returned to open session.

General Manager Steve Knell stated that there was no reportable action following Closed Session.

#### OTHER ACTION ITEM NO. 22

At the hour of 10:58 a.m. the meeting was adjourned to the next **Board of Director's Meeting on Tuesday, September 16, 2008, at 9:00 a.m.** at the Oakdale Irrigation District Office, 1205 East F Street, Oakdale, CA 95361.

The next **Joint Board Meeting for the Tri-Dam Project** has been scheduled for **Thursday**, **September 18, 2008 at 9:00 a.m.** in the Board Room of the Oakdale Irrigation District, 1205 East F Street, Oakdale, California.

Jack D. Alpers, President

Attest:

Steve Knell, P.E., Secretary