

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING

Oakdale, California
September 1, 2026

The Board of Directors of the Oakdale Irrigation District invited all to recite the Pledge of Allegiance and then met in Session at the hour of 9:00 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Directors: Tom Orvis, President
Ed Tobias, Vice President
Brad DeBoer
Jacob DeBoer

Absent: Herman Doornenbal

Staff Present: Scot A. Moody, General Manager/Secretary
Sharon Cisneros, Chief Financial Officer
Eric Thorburn, Water Resources Manager/District Engineer
Kim Bukhari, Human Resources Manager

Also Present: Fred Silva, General Counsel
Stefanie Morris, Water Counsel (via Zoom)

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.

PUBLIC COMMENT

The Board welcomed public comments at the hour of 9:02 a.m. on items not on the agenda.

Hearing none, the public comment period closed at 9:03 a.m.

PUBLIC HEARING **ITEM NO. 1**

ITEM NO. 1 **PUBLIC HEARING PER ASSEMBLY BILL 2561 (GOVERNMENT CODE** **§3502.3) ON DISTRICT VACANCIES, RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION** **EFFORTS**

President Orvis opened the public hearing at 9:04 a.m.

Ms. Kim Bukhari, Human Resources Manager, addressed the Board on the annual legal requirement of public agencies and stated that the public hearing is informational and no action

is required. She informed the Board that the represented employee groups were invited to participate and present. Ms. Bukhari presented on the District's vacancies, recruitment, and retention efforts pursuant to California State Assembly Bill 2561 (Government Code §3502.3).

The Board welcomed public comments on Item No. 1 at 9:17 a.m.

There was one member of the public who addressed the Board on Item No. 1:

- Don Wright

Hearing no further public comment, President Orvis closed the public hearing at 9:19 a.m.

CONSENT CALENDAR
ITEM NOS. 2 – 5

2. Approve the Board of Directors Minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 4, 2026
3. Approve Oakdale Irrigation District's Statement of Obligations
4. Approve OID Improvement Districts' Statement of Obligations
5. Approve the Treasurer's Report and Financial Statements for the Seven Months Ending July 31, 2026

A motion was made by Director Tobias, and seconded by Director J. DeBoer, to approve the above-noted Consent Item Nos. 2 – 5.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – B. DeBoer, J. DeBoer, Orvis, Tobias
 Noes – None
 Abstained – None
 Absent – Doornenbal

The motion passed by a 4/0 vote.

ACTION CALENDAR

ITEM NO. / NOS. 6 – 8

ITEM NO. 6

REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION TO CONTINUE TO PROVIDE
IRRIGATION WATER AFTER THE END OF THE WATER YEAR ON
SEPTEMBER 30, 2026 TO IN-DISTRICT LANDS ONLY

A motion was made by Director J. DeBoer, and seconded by Director B. DeBoer, to continue to provide irrigation water after the end of the water year on September 30, 2026, ending water deliveries on October 26, 2026 at midnight, to in-district lands only, pending weather, demand, and staff discretion.

The Board welcomed public comments on Item No. 6 at 9:30 a.m. Hearing none, public comment closed at 9:30 a.m.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – B. DeBoer, J. DeBoer, Orvis, Tobias
Noes – None
Abstained – None
Absent – Doornenbal

The motion passed by a 4/0 vote.

ITEM NO. 7
REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE TRANSITIONING TO
THE ASSOCIATION OF CALIFORNIA WATER AGENCIES (ACWA) HEALTH
BENEFITS PROGRAM EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2027

A motion was made by Director Tobias, and seconded by Director B. DeBoer, to approve transitioning to the Association of California Water Agencies (ACWA) health benefits program effective January 1, 2027.

The Board welcomed public comments on Item No. 7 at 9:45 a.m. Hearing none, public comment closed Item No. 7 at 9:45 a.m.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – B. DeBoer, J. DeBoer, Orvis, Tobias
Noes – None
Abstained – None
Absent – Doornenbal

The motion passed by a 4/0 vote.

ITEM NO. 8
REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE RENEWALS OF
DELTA DENTAL AND VISION SERVICE PLAN EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2027

A motion was made by Director Tobias, and seconded by Director B. DeBoer, to approve renewals of Delta Dental and Vision Service Plan effective January 1, 2027.

The Board welcomed public comments on Item No. 8 at 9:51 a.m.

There was one member of the public who addressed the Board on Item No. 8:

- Don Wright

Public comment closed Item No. 8 at 9:51 a.m. and the Board meeting continued.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – B. DeBoer, J. DeBoer, Orvis, Tobias
Noes – None
Abstained – None
Absent – Doornenbal

The motion passed by a 4/0 vote.

COMMUNICATIONS

ITEM NOS. 9 – 12

ITEM NO. 9

DIRECTOR'S COMMENTS/SUGGESTIONS

Director J. DeBoer shared that he was able to go on a ride-along with Clint Lundell, Distribution System Operator (DSO). He said that it was interesting to see how the DSO navigated the shared pipelines and handled the different aspects of his responsibilities, and he thanked Clint. Additionally, he stated that the District should take aging pipelines into account when preparing the Capital Improvement Plan. He also said that employees should continue to be aware of safety concerns when out on the road.

Director Tobias thanked staff for an excellent water season and for their hard work. He also congratulated his fellow Board members, Director B. DeBoer and Director Orvis, on being re-elected to the Board, stating that they consistently conduct their affairs in a dignified manner and he appreciates serving with them.

Director B. DeBoer stated that he is thankful to be re-elected. He thanked Director Tobias for his comments and said he has enjoyed serving with the Board as well. Additionally, he acknowledged that although the Board has differing opinions at times, they all have the District's best interests at heart. He also stated that he is very grateful for the District's water rights.

Director Orvis stated that he and Scot Moody, General Manager, attended the Ag and Water Forum where the invasive species Golden Mussels was discussed. He also reminded the Board that ACWA Region 4 will have its regional meeting on November 4th in Winters, CA (Putah/Cache Creek area).

The Board recessed at 10:03 a.m.

The Board reconvened at 10:07 a.m.

ITEM NO. 10

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Director Tobias stated that he and Director B. DeBoer attended the Personnel Committee meeting on August 18, 2026, where Kim Bukhari, Human Resources Manager, and Sharon Cisneros, Chief Financial Officer, discussed options for health benefits plans for the following year. The committee agreed that ACWA-JPIA is the most cost-effective and beneficial plan to offer employees.

Director Orvis stated that the Tri-Dam Power Purchase Authority Ad-Hoc meeting is at 2:00 p.m. and the Tri-Dam Project Advisory Committee meeting is at 3:30 p.m., following the current Board meeting. He also again reminded the Board of the ACWA Region 4 regional meeting on November 4th in Winters, CA (Putah/Cache Creek area).

ITEM NO. 11
GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT ON THE STATUS OF OID ACTIVITIES

Scot Moody, General Manager, updated the Board on OID activities in the month of August. He also informed the Board of the current inflows and topics discussed at the Ag and Water Forum.

ITEM NO.12
WATER COUNSEL REPORT

Stefanie Morris, Water Counsel, informed the Board that the State Water Board recently released its draft final plan for Phase II, which focuses mainly on the Sacramento River and various tributaries. She informed the Board that the plan will be presented to the State Water Board at their October board meetings.

Ms. Morris also provided an update pertaining to current SGMA litigation in other GSA's in the state. Lastly, she informed the Board that CDFW has released new regulations regarding Golden Mussels related to having plans in place if the invasive species is found and how to keep them out.

President Orvis announced the items to be discussed in closed session and the Board welcomed public comments on Item Nos. 13 – 16 at 10:21 a.m. Hearing none, public comment on Item Nos. 13 – 16 closed at 10:22 a.m. and the Board recessed.

The Board convened to closed session at 10:32 a.m.

CLOSED SESSION
ITEM NOS. 13 – 16

13. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION
Pursuant to Government Code §54956.9(d)(4)
Three (3) matters
14. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION
Pursuant to Government Code §54956.9(d)(1)
One (1) case
 - a. Threfall Ranch LP v. Oakdale Irrigation District, et al
Superior Court of Stanislaus County
Case No. CV-24-006033
15. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS
Pursuant to Government Code 54956.8
 - a. Property: APN 064-032-077
Agency Negotiator: General Manager
Under Negotiation: Price, Terms, and Conditions
16. PERSONNEL MATTER
Pursuant to Government Code §54957(b)(1)

The Board reconvened to open session at 11:40 a.m. Coming out of closed session, President Orvis stated there were no reportable actions.

President Orvis stated that the agenda had the incorrect location for the next Tri-Dam Project and Tri-Dam Authority Board meetings. The meetings will be held at Oakdale Irrigation District, not at the South San Joaquin Irrigation District.

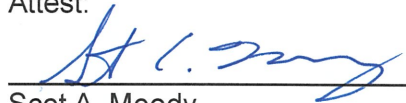
ADJOURNMENT

The Board meeting was adjourned at 11:40 a.m.

The Board Meeting of the **Oakdale Irrigation District Board of Directors** is scheduled for **Tuesday, October 6, 2026 at 9:00 a.m.** Details can be obtained by calling (209) 847-0341.

The next Joint Board Meeting of the **South San Joaquin and Oakdale Irrigation Districts** serving the **Tri-Dam Project** and **Tri-Dam Authority** and other joint business matters is scheduled for **Thursday, September 17, 2026 at 9:00 a.m.** in the boardroom at the office of Oakdale Irrigation District located at 1205 East F Street, Oakdale, CA 95361.

Attest:



Scot A. Moody
General Manager/Secretary



Thomas D. Orvis, President
Board of Directors