

## **MINUTES**

Oakdale, California  
February 19, 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 B. Clark, President  
Steve Webb, Vice President  
Jack D. Alpers  
Herman Doornenbal

Absent: Al Bairos, Jr.

Staff Present: Steve Knell, General Manager/Secretary  
Gary Jernigan, Contract/Special Projects Manager  
John Davids, District Engineer  
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**

General Manager Steve Knell requested that Discussion Item No. 20 follow Action Item No. 15 on the agenda. A motion was made by Director Webb, seconded by Director Alpers, and unanimously supported to approve taking Discussion Item No. 20 out of sequence to be discussed following Action Item No. 15.

At the hour of 9:02 a.m. the Board welcomed public comment.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT ITEM NO. 1**

Robert Longstreth was present and stated that his son purchased a piece of property on the corner of Gilbert and Twenty-Six Mile Road and he needs a turnout installed to service that parcel. Mr. Longstreth stated that they have submitted an application to the District for the turnout and he was worried that the construction may not be completed by water season. He asked if the District would allow them to use their own contractor to install the turnout. Director Clark stated that during public comment they could not take any action. Director Webb asked Mr. Longstreth to speak with the General Manager regarding this matter.

Tom Orvis with the Stanislaus County Farm Bureau was present and stated that the Farm Bureau's Regional Dinner is on Thursday, February 21, 2013 at House of Beef. The guest speaker will be Ryon Paton with Trinitas and that General Manager Steve Knell will start the discussion. He also commented on the fact that landowners / growers are now getting the message and becoming part of the Irrigated Lands Regulatory Program.

There being no further Public Comment; Public Comment closed at 9:10 a.m. and the Board Meeting continued.

Director Alpers requested that Item No. 3 be pulled from the Consent Calendar, Director Clark requested that Item No. 6 be pulled from the Consent Calendar, and Director Webb requested that Item No. 12 be pulled from the Consent Calendar.

**CONSENT ITEMS**

**ITEM NOS. 2, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14,**

**ITEM NO. 2**

**APPROVE THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF FEBRUARY 5, 2013 AND RESOLUTION NOS. 2013-04 and 2013-05**

A motion was made by Director Webb, seconded by Director Doornenbal, and unanimously supported to approve the Board of Directors' Minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 5, 2013 and Resolution Nos. 2013-04 and 2013-05.

**ITEM NO. 4**

**APPROVE IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT STATEMENT OF OBLIGATIONS**

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

**ITEM NO. 5**

**APPROVE GENERAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH B. J.'S CONSUMER'S CHOICE PEST CONTROL**

A motion was made by Director Webb, seconded by Director Doornenbal, and unanimously supported to approve General Services Agreement with B. J.'s Consumer's Choice Pest Control.

**ITEM NO. 7**

**APPROVE WORK RELEASE NO. 031 TO PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT 2009-PSA-001 WITH PROVOST & PRITCHARD FOR PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING FOR THE CAMPBELL LATERAL CROSSING AT SSJID MAIN CANAL**

A motion was made by Director Webb, seconded by Director Doornenbal, and unanimously supported to approve Work Release No. 031 to Professional Services Agreement 2009-PSA-001 with Provost & Pritchard for Preliminary Engineering for the Campbell Lateral Crossing at SSJID Main Canal.

**ITEM NO. 8**  
**APPROVE ENCROACHMENT PERMIT ON THE**  
**BURNETT LATERAL (APN: 006-003-042 – BRICHETTO)**

A motion was made by Director Webb, seconded by Director Doornenbal, and unanimously supported to approve the Encroachment Permit on the Burnett Lateral (APN: 006-003-042 – Brichetto).

**ITEM NO. 9**  
**APPROVE AGRICULTURAL DISCHARGE PERMIT ON**  
**THE BURNETT LATERAL (APN: 006-003-042 – BRICHETTO)**

A motion was made by Director Webb, seconded by Director Doornenbal, and unanimously supported to approve the Agricultural Discharge Permit on the Burnett Lateral (APN: 006-003-042 – Brichetto).

**ITEM NO. 10**  
**APPROVE MULTIPLE RESOLUTIONS OF APPLICATIONS**  
**FOR ANNEXATION FROM BRICHETTO, DOOREPAAL,**  
**HOEKSTRA, TRAINA, AND VERBURG (FRINGE PARCELS)**

A motion was made by Director Webb, seconded by Director Doornenbal, and unanimously supported to approve multiple Resolutions of Applications for Annexation from Brichetto, Doorepaal, Hoekstra, Traina, and Verburg (Fringe Parcels).

**ITEM NO. 11**  
**APPROVE ABANDONMENT OF THE FIFTH**  
**AVENUE PIPELINE (APNS: 129-010-018/081 AND 129-021-006)**

A motion was made by Director Webb, seconded by Director Doornenbal, and unanimously supported to approve the Abandonment of the Fifth Avenue Pipeline (APNS: 129-010-018/081 and 129-021-006).

**ITEM NO. 13**  
**APPROVE AGRICULTURAL DISCHARGE PERMIT ON THE**  
**BRICHETTO PIPELINE (APN: 014-004-001 – PACHECO, ANTRIM, PACHECO, LLC)**

A motion was made by Director Webb, seconded by Director Doornenbal, and unanimously supported to approve the Agricultural Discharge Permit on the Brichetto Pipeline (APN: 014-004-001 – Pacheco, Antrim, Pacheco, LLC).

**ITEM NO. 14**  
**APPROVE ENCROACHMENT PERMIT ON THE BRICHETTO**  
**PIPELINE (APN: 014-004-001 – PACHECO, ANTRIM, PACHECO, LLC)**

A motion was made by Director Webb, seconded by Director Doornenbal, and unanimously supported to approve the Encroachment Permit on the Brichetto Pipeline (APN: 014-004-001 – Pacheco, Antrim, Pacheco, LLC).

**ACTION CALENDAR  
ITEMS NOS. 3, 6, 12, 15**

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

Director Alpers asked about the excavator rental for \$31,000. He asked if it would be better to purchase an excavator rather than renting. Support Services Manager Jason Jones stated that this was for the rental of multiple excavators that are only needed for a short period of time. He stated that there is no necessity to purchase an excavator for the entire year when it would only be used during the construction season.

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. 6  
APPROVE AMENDMENT NO. 01 TO GENERAL SERVICES  
AGREEMENT 2012-GSA-019 WITH JAN PRO CLEANING  
SYSTEMS, INC. TO INCREASE MONTHLY RATES FOR 2013**

Director Clark stated that for several years the District had Spray & Sons doing the janitorial service, but the last time that the District went out for bid Jan Pro Cleaning was substantially lower. Director Clark's concern is that if they increase their rates on an annual basis they might end up with rates the same as Spray & Sons. He would like to make sure that if their rates continually go up that the District consider going out for bid again.

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-019 with Jan Pro Cleaning Systems, Inc. to increase monthly rates for 2013.

**ITEM NO. 12  
APPROVE QUITCLAIM OF THE FIFTH AVENUE  
PIPELINE (APNS: 129-010-018/081 AND 129-021-006)**

Director Webb wanted to make sure that there is absolutely no use for the Fifth Avenue Pipeline. General Manager Steve Knell stated that these are just dead-end remnants of the town system.

A motion was made by Director Webb, seconded by Director Alpers, and unanimously supported to approve the Quitclaim of the Fifth Avenue Pipeline (APNS: 129-010-018/081 and 129-021-006).

**ITEM NO. 15**  
**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 2013, Ms. Smith submitted a letter requesting the District's support for the 2013 Fourth Grade Salmon Project. The Planning and Public Relations Committee met on February 5, 2013 to discuss the funding request for the busing costs for the November 2013 Salmon Field Trips. The estimated busing cost for 400 students is \$2,200.00. The busing cost for 2012 was \$1,869.91, the busing cost for 2011 was \$1,484.38, and the busing cost for 2010 was \$1,896.74.

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 gave a presentation on the 2012 Salmon Studies Program to the Board.

A motion was made by Director Webb, seconded by Director Alpers, and unanimously supported to fund the busing cost for 2013 in the sum of \$2,200 for the Salmon Studies Program.

**DISCUSSION ITEM**  
**ITEM NO. 20**  
**DISCUSSION / PRESENTATION CITY OF**  
**OAKDALE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT**

City Recreation Department staff will provide an overview of the benefits derived from the OID funding to their water safety, water conservation and summer swim programs.

Linda Royalty, Recreation Supervisor with the City of Oakdale Recreation Department and Brea DeRespini, Recreation Services Coordinator with the City of Oakdale Recreation Department were present and gave a PowerPoint presentation on the Community Pool usage in 2012 and on their water safety programs for kids.

**ACTION CALENDAR  
ITEMS NOS. 16, 17, 18, 19**

**ITEM NO. 16**

**REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION TO CERTIFY THE VOTE OF IMPROVEMENT  
DISTRICT 51 TO APPROVE THE RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR ANNUAL  
MEETINGS AND ELECTION OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

At the Fall 2012 rate setting meeting with Improvement District No. 51 (ID51) Committee Members it was recommended by OID staff that ID51 draft a Rules and Regulations for Annual Meetings and Election of Committee Members Policy (Policy). The Policy outlines the election of committee members and their responsibilities, and sets a month in which an annual meeting shall be held.

A draft policy was submitted to the ID51 Committee Members for review and comments. At the Committee's recommendation ballots were mailed out to ID51 Landowners on January 28, 2013. The vote of the ID51 Rules and Regulations for Annual Meetings and Election of Committee Members Policy is being submitted for Board certification.

If less than one-third of the landowners oppose the Policy shall be adopted. Silence on the part of a landowner is considered an approval. There are eighty (80) landowners within ID51.

Chief Financial Officer Kathy Cook stated that Improvement District No. 51 approved the Rules and Regulations for Annual Meetings and Election of Committee Members Policy by the following vote:

Noes: 10 (by mail)  
Ayes: 30 (by mail)  
Passed by a total vote of 70.  
(All non-votes (40) are considered as a yes vote.)

A motion was made by Director Alpers, seconded by Director Webb, and unanimously supported to certify the vote of Improvement District No. 51 to approve the Rules and Regulations for Annual Meetings and Election of Committee Members Policy.

**ITEM NO. 17**

**REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION TO CERTIFY  
THE VOTE OF IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT 16 MEMBERSHIP  
AUTHORIZING THE OAKDALE IRRIGATION DISTRICT TO PURSUE  
A COURSE OF ACTION FOR THE INSTALLATION OF AN IN-LINE VALVE**

During the 2012 irrigation season an excessive amount of water was found to be flowing into the Stelk Drain while water was being delivered to the Improvement District 16 (ID16) service area. Upon further review by Oakdale Irrigation District (OID) Water Operations Department staff, it became apparent that there was no longer any positive point of shutoff as shown on the ID16 Original Facilities Map at the transition point between the ID16 pipeline and the private pipelines at the shared property corner of APN: 002-056-001 and

APNS: 002-004-010/014. Please refer to the enclosed ID16 maps for clarification. Without this positive point of shutoff, the private pipelines downstream have to remain charged to facilitate irrigation throughout ID16 and a portion of the water delivered to the ID16 service area continuously flows out the end of the system into the Stelk Drain.

With the 2013 irrigation season rapidly approaching and in an effort to prevent any potential curtailment or termination of water delivery to the ID16 service area, letters and ballot packets were sent to the ID16 membership on Monday, January 29<sup>th</sup> soliciting a vote to authorize OID to complete the installation of an inline valve as a point of positive shutoff at the end of the ID16 pipeline near the shared property corner of APN: 002-056-001 and APNS: 002-004-010/014. Please refer to the attached ID16 Membership Notice and ID16 Membership Ballot for clarification. This action item has been placed on the agenda to officially certify the vote of the ID16 membership in order to provide direction for OID moving forward.

Water Operations Manager Eric Thorburn stated that Improvement District 16 approved the installation of the in-line valve by the following vote:

Noes: 0 (by mail)  
Yes: 0 (by mail)  
Passed by a vote of 5.  
(All non-votes are considered as a yes vote.)

A motion was made by Director Webb, seconded by Director Alpers, and unanimously supported to certify the vote of Improvement District to approve the installation of the in-line valve.

**ITEM NO. 18**  
**REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION TO RESOLVE**  
**UNAUTHORIZED WATER USAGE (APN: 002-023-015 – THOMPSON)**

Prompted by a March 2012 Oakdale Leader Article entitled, "OID Hikes Water Theft Fines", Oakdale Irrigation District (OID) has been actively engaged with the owners of the above noted parcel, Mr. and Mrs. Thompson concerning their use of cattle water from both the Cape Horn Lateral and Tulloch Lateral. Attached for your review is a copy of Mr. and Mrs. Thompson's correspondence dated, March 27, 2012. Subsequent to the previously noted correspondence, Staff met with Mr. and Mrs. Thompson on April 25, 2012 to discuss concerns and further define OID's position. Following that, the Water Committee, Staff and the Thompson's have met on September 4, 2012 and February 5, 2013 in an effort to resolve the outstanding issues. While the attached documentation provides additional background inclusive of maps and specific supporting documentation, the issues in short are as follows:

- The Thompson's are entitled to cattle water from the Cape Horn Tunnel. The Thompson's do not take water from the Cape Horn Tunnel and that portion of the property on which the Cape Horn Tunnel is located has been converted to an orchard.

- The Thompson's are entitled to water off the Cape Horn Lateral. Although the Thompson's are entitled to water off the Cape Horn Lateral and do so downstream of the Cape Horn Tunnel inlet portal (d/s of the Smith Residence), their method of receipt is not in accordance with the provisions of the original deed. Currently cattle water is provided and received directly from the Cape Horn Lateral vs. the prescribed ¾" pipe to a water trough.
- The Thompson's have no right to water off the Tulloch Lateral to fill their existing cattle pond as shown in the attached documentation.

Given the above noted items, it is the recommendation of Staff and the Water Committee that; (1) water delivery off of the Tulloch Pipeline to fill the existing cattle pond be ceased and (2) that cattle water made available through the Cape Horn Lateral be done so in accordance with the original deed beginning with the start of the 2013 irrigation season. Of additional interest is that the Thompson property is now planted as an orchard and as such, the long term necessity of cattle water on the property is fundamentally in question. Staff and members of the Water Committee will be available to answer any additional questions that the Board may have.

Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Thompson were present at the meeting. There was a lengthy discussion between the Thompsons, the Directors, and staff.

Director Alpers made a motion to grant his right to the water through the present situation. Director Alpers withdrew his motion.

Staff was instructed to put together an agreement memorializing the existing cattle water use and the associated provisions of water use on the Thompson's parcel. Once that is completed the agreement is to be brought to the Water Committee for discussion with the Thompsons and then back to the Board for approval.

**ITEM NO. 19**  
**REVIEW AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE**  
**THE REVISED LIST OF SELECTED PARCELS FOR ADDITIONAL ANNEXATION**

On February 21, 2012 the Board adopted a series of guidelines to allow for additional agricultural annexations. As part of these guidelines OID was to accept annexation applications until October 1, 2012 from those who irrigated fringe parcels and wanted their whole parcels in the OID service area and from those who were wholly outside the OID service area and wanted into the OID. The former group being annexed upon paying the \$2,600 annexation fee but getting water at the in-district rate and the latter upon Trinitas annexation terms when finalized. The Board also subsequently took action to waive the annexation deposit requirement for the additional applications until OID had determined the amount of acreage, if any, that would potentially be allowed to annex.

Given the expectation that not all fringe parcels would apply for annexation, whatever water OID got back from the fringe parcels that did not annex would be committed to additional annexations following the October 1, 2012 deadline. Out of the total 716 acres that could have potentially been annexed under the Fringe Parcels Terms, applications were received



for only 330 acres. This left 386 acres available for additional annexations under similar terms to the Trinitas Annexation.

Using the list of Guiding Principles for Expansion of Water Service within OID's Sphere of Influence developed for the 2006 Water Resources Plan, a list of prioritization factors was created and reviewed by the Water Committee. These prioritization factors were then used to create a point system to rank each parcel. Both Staff and the Water Committee have reviewed this list.

The original list was presented for approval at the February 5<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting. Board Action on the list was deferred until this meeting so that a re-evaluation of the Hoekstra application could occur. At issue was the high ranking of the Hoekstra parcel but the large size of the parcel (430 acres) exceeded the 386 acres the Board originally directed staff to annex. The Board directed staff to include the Hoekstra's parcel into the list if the Hoekstra's agreed that it wished to pursue annexation. That concurrence from the Hoekstra's has occurred.

Per this agenda item, Staff is requesting the Board adopt the list of 7 potential annexes as identified on the attachments, for a total of 812.1 acres, and approve them for moving forward in the annexation process.

Upon approval of the revised Annexation List, staff will notify the applicants of the results. Upon finalization of the Trinitas contract a term sheet will be drafted, brought for approval by the Board and submitted for review by the applicants. Upon signature of the term sheet by all the applicants, the annexation process would commence. In the interim these parcels would have the option to apply for out of district water should surplus water be determined to be available.

A motion was made by Director Alpers, seconded by Director Doornenbal, and unanimously supported to approve the Revised List of Selected Parcels for Additional Annexation.

**DISCUSSION  
ITEM NOS. 21 and 22**

**ITEM NO. 21  
DISCUSSION ON PREPARATION FOR FINAL  
DETERMINATION OF THE START OF THE 2013 IRRIGATION SEASON**

Current inflow into New Melones as of February 14<sup>th</sup> was 235,000 acre feet which equates to 91% of the 15-year average. While rainfall accumulation and inflow rates at New Melones Reservoir have been slightly below average thus far this winter, the inflow to New Melones for the water-year is currently forecasted by DWR to be 1,075,000 ac-ft.

Under current predictions and in the absence of any contractual obligations in 2013, OID is expecting to have the full 300,000 ac-ft annual allotment available and potentially some surplus water available for Out of District contracts. In addition, OID's conservation account is estimated to currently hold approximately 70,000 ac-ft.

Currently, with the expectation that sufficient water is available and if the current weather pattern continues it would appear that an early start to the water season would be inevitable. SSJID expects to have the repairs to the Joint Main completed by March 1<sup>st</sup> and OID's winter construction projects are at the point that they could be wrapped up in short order. However, the new Trinitas turnouts on the north and south main canals aren't expected to be completed until March 7<sup>th</sup>.

Staff recommends bringing the decision to start the water season back for the March 5<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting for a determination. Until then, Staff will continue to monitor the weather and ET and will be preparing to begin the water season shortly after that meeting, if need be.

**ITEM NO. 22**  
**DISCUSSION ON BUSINESS ITEMS AS THEY APPEAR ON**  
**THE TRI-DAM BOARD AGENDA FOR THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2013**

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

**ITEM NO. 23**  
**COMMUNICATIONS**

A. **GENERAL MANAGERS REPORT**

**Safety Activities**

1. OID has gone 102 days without a lost time injury accident.

**Administration Activities**

1. Joint Main Canal rockslide that occurred about 1,000 feet downstream of Goodwin has been removed and the hillside stabilized for now. SSJID crews need about 10 days of work to fix the outside wall, which was damaged.
2. New Melones inflow to-date (Feb 18<sup>th</sup> @ midnight) has been 235,000 acre feet. Accumulated precip to date is at 100% of normal but 3 month forecast from the NWS shows below normal rainfall going forward.
3. Addressing some North Main Canal requests on Steve Fields' property.
4. ID52 depositions have all been completed. Motion for Summary Judgment to be heard February 28<sup>th</sup>.
5. SJTA continues to work on SED issues. Public outreach program gearing up. SED comments due March 12<sup>th</sup> with hearings March 20<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup>. May make an effort to have constituents attend hearing at time of SJTA presentation.
6. Attended Chamber of Commerce Planning Session last weekend.
7. East Stanislaus County-Farm Center meeting of the Farm Bureau is at House of Beef on March 21<sup>st</sup>. Trinitas is the evening presentation.
8. San Joaquin County-Escalon Farm Center meeting of the Farm Bureau is at the Escalon Stockman's Club February 27<sup>th</sup>. OID and SSJID will be the presenters.
9. Sports Boosters Fund Raiser Saturday February 23<sup>rd</sup>.
10. Friends of Oakdale Heritage Museum Fund Raiser is March 2<sup>nd</sup> at the Gene Bianchi Center. See Lori for tickets.

11. A tunnel tour is planned for March 3<sup>rd</sup> with the Ken Cosner group. Winners of the tour auction at the Wine Extravaganza.
12. Tom Laidlaw's retirement luncheon is scheduled for February 28<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 a.m.

### **Contract and Special Project Activities**

1. Two-Mile Bar Tunnel (CEQA & Engineering) – Received notification the Corps has resumed the review of the NEPA documents submitted. The Corps indicates they will require three (3) months to review. As part of this review, 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.
2. Two-Mile Bar Tunnel Final Design – Condor Earth Technologies was issued a Notice to Proceed with the final Design. A Kick Off meeting was held on January 28, 2013 to develop the path forward for the Final Design.
  - Task 1 – 90% design will be completed on or before April 14, 2013.
  - Task 2 – 90% Construction Cost will be completed on or before June 1, 2013.
  - Task 3 – Geotechnical Baseline Report (GBR) will be completed on or before on June 1, 2013.
  - Task 4 – 100% Design Plans and Specs and Contract Documents will be completed on or before July 7, 2013.

The next progress meeting is scheduled for February 21, 2013.

3. North Side Regulating Reservoir Deep Well – The Notice to Proceed has been issued to Don Pedro Pumps. All the necessary contract documents have been received to begin work. Don Pedro has proceeded with the procurement process for the pump and motor. The completion date is scheduled for March 15, 2013. The landowner has signed all the easement documents for PG&E to provide service to the new pump and motor.
4. Beardsley Reservoir Recreational Improvements – Met the USFS to discuss the Limited Operating Period (LOP) for the Boat Launching Ramp construction. The USFS would not commit to allowing construction to start on the Boat Launching Ramp until after August 1, 2013. In order to avoid costly delay claims, it was decided to delay the Boat Launching until after Labor Day. However, the construction effort would continue with the Beardsley Campground proceeding to construction in mid April and completing prior to Memorial Day. After Memorial Day, the construction effort would relocate to the Black Oak Campground to be completed by Labor Day. Then the construction work would relocate to the Boat Launching Facility and the Beardsley Day Use Area. All completing prior to December 20, 2013. Now, the Bid Documents can be completed with the revised schedule and submitted for final review. The final draft of the specifications is in process with the completion of the Bid Package.
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 which included a number of alternatives for the District review. The alternates were reviewed by the District's staff on January 31, 2013 and the comments were forward to CH2MHILL on February 4, 2013. CH2MHILL are reviewing these comments and editing their report to be ready by the end of February.
6. IT Support – Data Path has provided all the necessary documentation and a Notice to Proceed has been sent.

7. Willms Ranch Access Easement – Preparing a presentation for an Access Easement to the Willms Siphon and Tunnel 9 to open discussions with the Willms Ranch LLC for the easement.
8. New Office Project Development – Work with the Support Services Manager on obtaining estimates and quotes to remove the asbestos coated siding from the existing hulling structure on the property.
9. District Standard Specifications – No activity this period.
10. 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. Hinds Lateral/Pipeline Project – PG&E has relocated the power pole and OID forces are currently working on minor tasks relating to the project. Rubicon SlipMeter is scheduled to arrive this week.
3. Diliberto Project – Rip rap placement and foot bridge installation is complete. Crews are currently installing the canal gates and removing the diversion pipe.
4. Wills Lateral Project – Crews have installed the pedestal for the Rubicon SlipMeter.
5. Paulsell Lateral – OID forces have installed the deep well discharge pipe and currently await delivery of the handrail, ladder and grating to complete the project.
6. West Pump Pipeline Project – OID crews have completed the remainder of the pipeline installation and tie-ins to the existing pipeline. Remaining to complete on this project is the placement of dirt through one parcel with this task scheduled to be completed this spring.
7. Trinitas Turnout – North Main Canal – Concrete has been placed into the wall sections of the structure, form work has been removed and OID forces are currently working on backfill and rip rap placement.
8. Trinitas Turnout – South Main Canal – Concrete has been placed into the floor section of the structure, formwork has been completed for the walls and concrete has been placed into the wall section of the project. Crews are currently striping forms and installing the 54” RCP.
9. South Main – Hunter Headgate – Concrete has been placed into the wall section of the structure, forms have been stripped and backfill is complete. OID forces are scheduled to place gunite this week and install the Rubicon SlipMeter.
10. Albers Lateral – Concrete has been placed into the wall section of the structure, forms have been stripped, tie in to the existing pipeline is complete and backfill has been conducted. Currently awaiting the arrival of the handrail, ladder and grating to complete the project.
11. Rubicon SlipMeters have been installed on the Young and Wills Lateral Headgate Structures.
12. 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.
13. Crane Certification Training – Written test results have been provided to the District with 12 of the 14 candidates passing the written exam. The practical exam is tentatively scheduled for the first week in April.
14. Kaufman & Greger Parcels – Met with PG&E on 2/7 to discuss the removal of the service pole and meter. This task will be completed in approximately eight weeks

depending on priority of PG&E's scheduled tasks and will be done at no cost to the District. Met with four asbestos removal contractors to remove the metal siding on the building that contains asbestos coating. Currently receiving quotes for review.

### **Engineering Activities**

1. SBX7-7 – Working with Water Operations and Support Services to ensure successful replacement/rehabilitation, testing and calibration of those deliveries in the statistically representative sample in excess of 100 acres. FlumeMeters to arrive in late February. Corrective action memo issued to Water Operations and Support Services related to seven (7) previously identified deliveries. Second random statistically representative sample completed and being reviewed.
2. Irrigated Lands Coalition – Continued participation at both the ESJWQC and Delta Coalition.
3. STRGBA – Next USGS Conference set for 2/19/13. 2/7/13 meeting at MID canceled due to lack of a quorum. Hope to have draft USGS model report at or before the 3/7/13 STRGBA meeting at MID.
4. Boatright – Spoke to Ms. Boatright on 2/7/13 and advised her of closed session direction and that Engineering would be working on a revised PSA for their review.
5. Knights Ferry – Revised Cemetery PSA provided to Carol Davis on 2/5/13. As of 2/12/13 no response has been received. Revised Valencia PSA provided to Paul Valencia on 2/12/13. As of 2/12/13 no response has been received. Negative Declaration to the Board for review at today's meeting.
6. Ohe – Ohe's have received comments back from Herum although OID hasn't seen anything from Ohe's as of 2/12/13.
7. Trinitas – Completion of the Annexation Agreement is pending. Face to face meeting being scheduled.
8. Rate Study – Email dialogue with Allan Highstreet on 2/4/13 indicated that we would have a draft copy for review by 2/8/13. To date, Staff hasn't seen a copy of the draft doc.
9. CCWD – No notice of award to date.
10. Landuse Conversion – Continuing to work with landowners, tenants, irrigation design companies and Support Services/Water Operations concerning ongoing and future landuse conversion projects.
11. STANCO Groundwater Export Ordinance – JBD named to Groundwater Ordinance workgroup. Local purveyors met at City of Turlock offices on 2/11/13 to discuss desired outcome and approach to workgroup process. First of two workgroup meetings held on 2/15/13 and the second meeting is scheduled for 2/27.
12. Engineering processing numerous requests for work approval and preparing designs for the winter work season.

### **Water Operations Activities**

#### **Aq Water**

1. Continued to research and respond to irrigation inquiries regarding new connection possibilities and past irrigation practices on recently purchased parcels.
2. Continued storm water operations throughout the District as necessary.
3. Researched and responded appropriate to multiple maintenance review requests.

3. Coordinated Sconza water conveyance and/or deliveries with C&M activities and private landowner requests.
4. SCADA Coordinator began building an access database to allow the DSOs to electronically track water deliveries in 2013 as required by the state.
5. Processed several pump rental and conveyance channel use agreements as requested for irrigation and frost protection purposes.
6. Began review of submitted DSO applications.
7. Continued integration and field calibration of new SCADA sites.
8. Pest Department staff continued post-emergent applications and continued squirrel control processes.

### **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:
  - Monthly meter readings were collected on Tuesday, January 29<sup>th</sup>.
  - Assisted contractor in repairing a street valve on Rio Sombra Drive.
3. Improvement District No. 46:
  - Assisted contractor in repairing a street valve on Scarlett Oak Drive.
4. Domestic Water Systems:
  - Monthly Coliform Bacteria water quality samples were collected on Monday, February 4<sup>th</sup>. No problems were detected. All domestic systems under OID's jurisdiction are operating without restrictions.
  - Annual Nitrate water quality samples were collected on Monday, February 4<sup>th</sup>. Test results are still pending.
  - Performed routine exercising and flushing of distribution system blow off valves.
  - Performed routine exercising and flushing of distribution system air/vacuum relief valves.
5. 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.
6. On-Call Activities:
  - Nothing to report.
7. Irrigation Pumping Stations:
  - Staff continues to conduct routine inspection, servicing and security checks to the pumping stations in use as winter drain pumps.
  - Staff continues with spring servicing procedures to prepare the sites for the upcoming irrigation season.
  - The Paulsell #2, Oakdale, Allen, Valley Home and Campbell, South Main #2, Hirschfeld, and Weimer Deep Well Pumps were activated for rental use.
  - The new Lambuth Reclamation Pump has been installed.

### **Financing Activities**

1. Deposition given on January 31<sup>st</sup> on the ID52 lawsuit.

2. Continue with the preparation of closing entries for 2012 year-end, in addition to routine accounting functions (AP, AR, PR, billings, account reconciliations, etc.)
3. Continue to assist General Manager with bargaining groups on renewal of labor contracts.
4. Processing and monitoring multiple deep well pump rental agreements.
5. Follow up of unprocessed reconnection, new connection, and service abandonment agreements.
6. Met with TSM Insurance regarding health insurance renewal for 2013.

**B. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**A. Committee Reports**

**Planning and Public Relations Committee Meeting, February 5, 2013**

- Fourth Grade Salmon Studies Project

**Water Committee Meeting, February 5, 2013**

- Agricultural Discharge and Canal Rehabilitation (APN: 002-061-001/003/004 - Van Vliet)
- Langworth Pipeline – Vineyard Phase 5 Project (APN: 063-068-031 – FCB Homes)
- Request to Repair Private Pipeline (No Name Pipeline – Furtado, Compton, and Hankins)
- Thompson Ranch Pond Review (Site Visit APN: 002-023-015)

**Tri-Dam Advisory Committee, February 11, 2013**

General Manager Steve Knell stated that most of the items from Committee Meetings were previously discussed with the exception of the request to repair the private pipeline (No Name Pipeline – Furtado, Compton, and Hankins). The Committee agreed that the No Name Pipeline was not an issue for the District, but the District would support any action taken by the County.

**C. DIRECTORS' COMMENTS/SUGGESTIONS**

There were no Directors' comments/suggestions.

At the hour of 10:45 a.m. the meeting adjourned to Closed Session.

**ITEM NO. 24  
CLOSED SESSION**

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

- B. Government Code §54956.9** - Existing Litigation  
*Eakin, et al., v. Oakdale Irrigation District*  
*Agee, et al. v. Oakdale Irrigation District*
  
- C. Government Code §54957.6** – Conference with Labor Negotiator  
Agency Negotiator: General Manager  
Unrepresented Employee Organization: Exempt Management and Exempt Supervisory
  
- D. Government Code §54957.6** – Conference with Labor Negotiator  
Agency Negotiator: General Manager  
Unrepresented Employees: Chief Financial Officer and Administrative Assistant

At the hour of 11:20 a.m. the meeting returned to open session.

Coming out of Closed Session President Frank Clark reported that staff was instructed to continue with settlement negotiations in the *Eakin v. Oakdale Irrigation District* case; and that the Board approved the terms and conditions of the Memorandum of Understandings for the Exempt Supervisory Bargaining Group and Exempt Management Bargaining Group.

**OTHER ACTION**  
**ITEM NO. 25**

At the hour of 11:22 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 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, February 21, 2013 at 9:00 a.m.** in the board room of the Oakdale Irrigation District, 1205 East F Street, Oakdale, CA.

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Frank Clark, President

Attest:

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Steve Knell, P.E., Secretary