

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
LOWER TULE RIVER IRRIGATION DISTRICT**

The Board of Directors of the Lower Tule River Irrigation District met on the 10th day of December 2024, at 9:00 am. The meeting was called to order by President BARCELLOS. It was determined the following Directors were in attendance:

Director	Div. 2	2026	LOUIE TRISTAO
Director	Div. 3	2024	TOM BARCELLOS
Director	Div. 4	2024	FRANK MENDONSA
Director	Div. 1	2026	ALEX GARCIA
Director	Div. 5	2026	JOSH PITIGLIANO

District Staff present:

Eric Limas, General Manager
Mike Battles, Assistant Manager
Mark Greenall, Controller
Allison Tristao, Resources Coordinator
John Michael Domondon, Engineer
Kirk Masters, Water Resources Superintendent

Others Present:

Alex Peltzer, General Counsel
Craig Hartman, Hartman Engineering Inc

Farmers/landowners/public:

Vince Sola, Mike Faria, Brian Hauss, Art Van Beek, Paul Greidanus, Rod Stiefvater, Elijah Greidanus, Susan Long, Zach Faria, Gary Bosma, Mark Hoffman, Michelle Williams, Justin Murray, Danny Aguiar, Maddie Reyes, Ron Locke

BOARD ADMINISTRATION

On motion by Director MENDONSA, second by Director PITIGLIANO and unanimously approved, the agenda was approved as presented.

On motion by Director MENDONSA, second by Director PITIGLIANO, and unanimously approved, the minutes of the November 12, 2024, meeting were approved as presented.

LIMAS reviewed the current organization of the officers of the Board of Directors. On motion by Director GARCIA, second by Director MENDONSA, and unanimously approved, the current positions of Tom Barcellos, President and Josh Pitigliano, Vice-President of the Board of Directors were approved with no changes.

LIMAS reviewed the slate of committee appointments for the District. On motion by Director TRISTAO, second by Director GARCIA, and unanimously approved, the slate was approved as presented with the addition of John Micheal Domondon as an alternate to the Tule River Association Board.

WATER RESOURCES

LIMAS reviewed the monthly water delivery report and current conditions. No action was taken.

LIMAS reported that approximately 35% of CVC allocation has been moved with hopes for an opening to move the rest of the allocation next week. No action was taken.

FRIANT WATER AUTHORITY

LIMAS reviewed activities related to the Friant Kern Canal operations. No action was taken.

DISTRICT OPERATIONS

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Construction and Operation activities

JOHN MICHAEL DOMONDON reviewed construction projects and canal maintenance activities, including channel clearing, Teapot Dome, Vandalia. Pioneer and Succes Power Project operations and maintenance activities. Also discussed were construction updates related to the Tipton Recharge Basin, Ave 88 Expansion, Pixley Lateral 4 Project, and Westbrook Recharge Basin projects. No action was taken.

LIMAS reviewed an accident claim related to a car accident involving an LTRID employee. On motion by Director GARCIA, second by Director TRISTAO, and unanimously, the accident claim was denied.

LIMAS reviewed a resolution to authorize a grant funding request and execution of an agreement with the Department of Water Resources for stream gage installation. On motion by Director PITIGLIANO, second by Director GARCIA, and unanimously approved, Resolution 2024-12-1 was approved.

Administrative Activities

LIMAS reviewed research on average Cost of Living Adjustments in the area as well as inflation rates. After discussion, on motion by Director GARCIA, second by MENDONSA, and unanimously approved, a Cost-of-Living Adjustment of 2.5% was approved.

LIMAS reviewed the 2024 Audit Engagement Letter, on motion by Director PITIGLIANO, second by Director TRISTAO, and unanimously approved, the 2024 Audit Engagement Letter was approved.

LIMAS reviewed the District's Investment Policy. On motion by Director MENDOSNA, second by Director GARCIA, and unanimously approved the Investment Policy Review was re-approved.

The Board reviewed the financial reports for the month of November. On motion

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by Director MENDONSA, second by Director TRISTAO and unanimously approved, the Board approved the financial reports.

The Board reviewed the bills paid for the month of November. On motion by Director TRISTAO, second by Director PITIGLIANO and unanimously approved, the Board approved the bills paid.

MISCELLANEOUS AGENCIES & AUTHORITIES

Tule River Association

LIMAS reported on the progress of the Success Reservoir Enlargement Project. No action was taken.

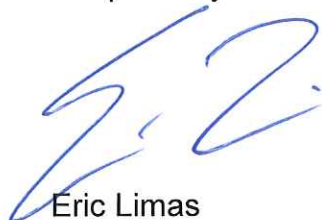
LIMAS presented a draft 2025 budget the Success Power Project of \$100,450. On motion by Director GARCIA, second by Director MENDONSA, and unanimously approved, the budget increase was approved.

OTHER MATTERS

The Board then went into closed session. Upon reconvening out of closed session, it was reported that the Board performed the annual performance evaluation and approved a salary adjustment for 2025.

There being no further business to be brought to the Board attention, and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,



Eric Limas
General Manager