

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

The Board of Directors of the Lower Tule River Irrigation District sitting as the GSA governing Board, met on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of March 2025, 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  
 Mark Greenall, Controller  
 Allison Tristao, Resources Coordinator  
 John Michael Domondon, Engineer  
 Kirk Masters, Water Resources Superintendent  
 Jack Lopez, Field Supervisor

***Others Present:***

Alex Peltzer, General Counsel

***Farmers/landowners/public:***

Paul Greidanus, Stacie Ann Silva, Vince Sola, Mike Faria,  
 Richard Junio, Jace Vanderham, Eric Greidanus, Brian  
 Hauss, Austin Williams, Tim Marvin, Lisa McEwen, Doug  
 Jackson, Justin Murray, Matt Brady, Jordan Martinez, Travis  
 Milwee, Kevin Hofstee, Art Van Beek

**BOARD ADMINISTRATION**

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

On motion by Director MENDONSA, second by Director TRISTAO, and unanimously approved, the minutes of the February 11, 2025 meeting, were approved as presented.

General Manager LIMAS updated the Board on groundwater usage through January. No action was taken.

JOHN MICHEAL DOMONDON reviewed Spring 2025 Water Surface Elevation, Depth to Water, and Comparison Change in Elevation maps. No action was taken.

KIRK MASTERS reviewed community well transducer data and trends. No action was taken.

LIMAS reviewed different options to send out requests for bids for the Groundwater Retirement Policy. On motion by Director PITIGLIANO, second by Director MENDONSA, and unanimously approved, requests for bids will be sent out with \$450,000 set aside as a pilot project limit.

LIMAS updated the Board on the Tule Subbasin Probation process. State staff are in the process of reviewing the GSP to be back in front of the State Board for consideration of exclusion from fees in late summer. No action was taken.

LIMAS updated the Board on subsidence management activities in the GSA. No action was taken.

DOMONDON updated the Board on landowners' registered wells in the High Risk Zones. 63% of landowners in High Risk Zones have registered their wells and 37% still need to register.

ALLISON TRISTAO gave an update on MLRP activities. Also discussed were activities related to the Stream Gage and District-wide Metering Improvement grants. No action was taken.

LIMAS reviewed a consumption rate study on minimum transitional, exceedance, and base fees. The study calculated the maximum transitional fee at \$125.73, the

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exceedance fee at \$810.84, and the base fee at \$1.27. On motion by Director MENDONSA, second by Director PITIGLIANO, and unanimously approved the consumption rate study was approved to be sent to landowners for comment with a public hearing and action to be taken during the regular May Board Meeting.

DOMONDON reviewed a proposal from Provost and Pritchard for Conceptual Design and Environmental Services for an Aquifer Storage and Recovery project for \$37,500. On motion by Director TRISTAO, second by Director GARCIA, and unanimously approved the proposal was approved.

LIMAS updated the Board on the process by which the County approves well permits. A Governor's Executive Order was lifted that required the County to send permit applications to the GSA for approval. An ordinance is now being taken to the Tulare County Board of Supervisors to put that step back in the process of issuing permits. LIMAS reported the GSA will issue a letter of support.

#### OTHER MATTERS

The Board then went into closed session. Upon reconvening out of closed session, it was reported that no reportable actions were taken in closed session.

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

Respectfully submitted,



Eric Limas  
General Manager