

MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF  
WESTSIDE WATER AUTHORITY  
BELRIDGE WATER STORAGE DISTRICT  
BERRENDA MESA WATER DISTRICT  
LOST HILLS WATER DISTRICT  
DUDLEY RIDGE WATER DISTRICT

Held October 18, 2021

A special meeting of the Board of Directors of Westside Water Authority was held on October 18, 2021, at 10:00 a.m. at the Belridge Water Storage District's Administrative and Operation Building, and via video and phone conference as a joint meeting with Belridge Water Storage District, Berrenda Mesa Water District, Lost Hills Water District, and Dudley Ridge Water District.

CALL TO ORDER )  
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Chairman Rob Yraceburu called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. and presided thereat.

ROLL CALL )  
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The following directors were present: Rob Yraceburu, Rob Goff, Mike Nordstrom, Bernard Pugét, and alternate director Kim Brown.

The following directors attended via video conference and/or phone: Rod Stiefvater and Alan Scroggs.

Also present were: Don Elholm; Monte Mitchell; Brain Hauss; Jeff Eklund; Jay Kroeker; Les Diffenbaugh; Adriana Barba; Ernie Kincaid; Brad Kroeker; Tami Pensinger; Steve Bottoms; Morgan Mitchell; Jamie Marquez; Mary King; Kim Constant, Assistant Secretary; Oscar Mello; Gnell Sparks, Assistant Treasurer; Mark Gilkey, Executive Director; and Joe Hughes, Legal Counsel.

Also attended via video conference and/or phone: Leon Elwell; Christin Faber; Doug Anderson; Brett Hampf; Alan Becker; Andrew Mason; Andrew Edstrom; Audrey Arnao; Bruce Aalam; Jeremy Blackwell; Christoffer Joughon; Cody Tolbert; Dale Melville; Fiona Sanchez; Holly Melton; Homayoon Hajd; Jason Pucheu; Jeremy Bowman; Jesse Lewis; John Komar; Mathew Roden; Michael Blaine; Richard Huse; Rick Besecker; Sim Bath; Nader Malakan; and William Davis.

Alternate Teleconferencing Requirements: Following discussion, on motion of Kim Brown seconded by Bernard Pugét, and unanimously carried, the Board made the determination, due to imminent risk to health and safety, the Board will continue with the previous teleconferencing rules per the revised Assembly Bill 361 on the following roll call vote:

AYES: Rob Yraceburu  
Bernard Pugét  
Rob Goff  
Mike Nordstrom  
Alan Scroggs  
Rod Stiefvater  
Kim Brown

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

DISTRICT ISSUES )  
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**Aqueduct Pump-Back Project:** The Executive Director and Jeff Eklund presented the following information regarding the Aqueduct Pump-back Project (Project): 1) the Project would start at the intersection of the CVC and CA Aqueduct; 2) check structure locations for the Project facilities; 3) example of a pump station check structure; 4) the CA Aqueduct Project design; 5) estimated WWA deliveries 6) cost allocation methodology; 7) Project timeline; 8) Project implementation risks: water-flow, Project operations, and other water related issues; and 9) Staff and Legal Counsel is working with DWR and KCWA to develop a Landowner agreement.

DWR will have bid information from Rain for Rent by the end of the week. Staff recommended a special joint Board meeting on October 25, 2022 to discuss the bid information and status of the project.

**Contract Between Kern County Water Agency and Belridge Water Storage District for Lease of Kern County Water Agency State Water Project Table A Water:** The Executive Director reported that the Belridge Water Storage District, Berrenda Mesa Water District, and Lost Hills Water District Boards approved the contract subject to Landowner participation.

REPORTS FROM OTHER )  
MEETINGS )  
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**Data Management System:** Rob Goff reported that the grant funded Data Management System (DMS) has been designed and implemented by the KGA. The DMS will provide information regarding the historic and current groundwater level data and will be adding groundwater quality information in the future. Staff will distribute the link to view the DMS. For information only.


**Boundary Adjustment Policy:** This item was tabled until more information is available.

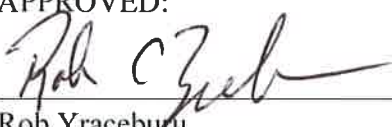
PUBLIC COMMENT            )  
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No comment.

ADJOURNMENT            )  
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There being no further business to come before the meeting, it was, on motion of Kim Brown, seconded by Bernard Pugét, and unanimously carried, said meeting was adjourned at 12:03 p.m.

  
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Alan Scroggs  
Secretary of the Board of Directors

APPROVED:  
  
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Rob Yraceburu  
Chairman of the Board of Directors