

THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
OF STOCKTON EAST WATER DISTRICT WAS HELD AT THE DISTRICT OFFICE  
6767 EAST MAIN STREET, STOCKTON, CA  
ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2019 AT 12:00 NOON

**A. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND ROLL CALL**

President Panizza called the regular meeting to order at 12:22 p.m., and Director Sanguinetti led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present at roll call were Directors Atkins, Cortopassi, McGurk, Panizza, Sanguinetti and Watkins. Director McGaughey was absent. Also present were Manager Moody, Assistant Manager Lee, Finance Director Vega, Administrative Services Manager Carido, Administrative Assistant Curtis, Legal Counsel Zolezzi and Consultant Barkett.

**B. CONSENT CALENDAR (None)**

**C. PUBLIC COMMENT (None)**

**D. SCHEDULED PRESENTATIONS AND AGENDA ITEMS**

1. Minutes 10/29/19 Regular Meeting

A motion was moved and seconded to approve the October 29, 2019 Regular Meeting Minutes, as presented.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Atkins, Cortopassi, McGurk, Panizza, Sanguinetti, Watkins

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: McGaughey

2. Warrants – California Public Employees’ Retirement System

A motion was moved and seconded to approve the November 5, 2019 Warrants – California Public Employees’ Retirement System, as presented.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Atkins, Cortopassi, McGurk, Panizza, Sanguinetti, Watkins

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: McGaughey

3. Stockton East Water District – Bellota Fish Screen & Passage Improvement Project – Design & Permitting Contract Award Memo

Manager Moody provided the Board with information on the Bellota Fish Screen & Passage Improvement Project – Design & Permitting Contract Award Memo. Manager Moody reported the District applied for a Proposition 68 Rivers and Streams Restoration Grant in 2018 and received \$1,952,559 in grant funds. The total cost for the proposed Project is \$3,329,422 with \$1,356,863 in District matching funds.

Manager Moody reported the proposed Project includes 100% design with biddable plan sets, California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) evaluation and permitting.

Manager Moody reported the District solicited assistance from KSN Engineering, Inc. (KSN) and FishBio to complete the grant along with assistance from Legal Counsel Harrigfeld, and Assistant Manager Lee. Both KSN and FishBio assisted staff in writing the grant at no cost in hopes the District would receive the grant and employ their services.

Manager Moody is requesting the Board consider moving forward with entering into contracts with KSN, FishBio and ECORP, for assistance with the design and CEQA documentation, without going out to bid, as these companies have assisted in obtaining the grant.

Director McGurk inquired if KSN has experience in designing fish screens, in addition to their experience of managing fish screens. Assistant Manager Lee replied yes, they have experience in fish screen management and design.

Director McGurk inquired if KSN has worked on any notable fish screens. Assistant Manager Lee reported they have done the Fremont Weir at the Yolo Bypass.

Director Atkins inquired if not going out to bid would allow anyone to come to the District and protest this choice. Manager Moody replied agencies could protest, but the District is not required to bid projects out per the District Act.

Director Watkins inquired if this Project has the potential to incorporate in the fish screen with a lateral or a pipeline for future distribution. Manager Moody replied yes and in the early process of this Project, this will be discussed further. Once there is a concept, it will be brought to the Board for discussion.

Director McGurk inquired on the height of the proposed fish screen. Manager Moody advised it is unclear at this juncture. Director Watkins added it will need to be designed so irrigators who depend on the weir in the Summer above Bellota will be able to continue to pump water. Manager Moody replied nothing will be done to limit the surface water use.

A motion was moved and seconded to approve a contracts for the Bellota Fish Screen & Passage Improvement Project for KSN Engineering, Inc. for design in the amount of \$2,929,818; FishBio for fishery studies for CEQA compliance in the amount of \$169,756 and ECORP for CEQA documentation in the amount of \$91,190, as presented.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Atkins, Cortopassi, McGurk, Panizza, Sanguinetti, Watkins

Nayes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: McGaughey

4. United States Bureau of Reclamation – New Melones Deliveries 2020 Water Year – Response to Request for Approval of Delivery Schedule

Manager Moody provided the Board with information on the United States Bureau of Reclamation (USBR) for the 2020 Water Year Delivery Schedule. Manager Moody reported

per normal, the USBR initially approved the first three months of water deliveries (January 2020 through March 2020). This item was for information only.

5. Stockton East Water District – Central California Traction Railroad (CCTR) Fish Passage Improvement Project Update

Manager Moody provided the Board with pictures of the completed CCTR Project. Manager Moody reported the work on this Project is now completed. District staff did a good job completing this Project. Manager Moody reported both U.S Fish and Wildlife and Department of Water Resources visited the site and were happy with the work. This item was for information only.

**E. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

1. San Joaquin Farm Bureau Federation – Water Committee Meeting, 10/29/19

Directors Sanguinetti and Watkins and Manager Moody attended the October 29, 2019 San Joaquin Farm Bureau Federation – Water Committee Meeting. Manager Moody reported it was a short meeting. Director Sanguinetti reported there was a small crowd. The next meeting is scheduled for November 26, 2019.

**E. REPORT OF GENERAL MANAGER**

1. Water Supply Report as of 11/04/19

Manager Moody provided a handout of the Water Supply Report for information only that included storage, release, and production data collected from various sources as of midnight last night.

There is 146,997 AF in storage at New Hogan Reservoir. Current releases are set at 30 cfs. There is 1,993,715 AF in storage at New Melones Reservoir. Current release at Goodwin Dam to Stanislaus River are set at 489 cfs and release to all water users are set at 550 cfs. There are 0 irrigator(s) on New Hogan, 0 irrigator(s) on New Melones and 0 Out-of-District irrigator. The water treatment plant is currently processing 28 mgd. The City of Stockton is currently processing 22 mgd.

2. Information Items:

Manager Moody noted items: F2a-1, F2a-2 and F2a-3.

3. Report on General Manager Activities

a. Agricultural Operations Committee Meeting Query

Manager Moody queried the Board about holding an Agricultural Operations Committee Meeting. Manager Moody reported the Annual Budget needs to be brought to the Board on the December 10<sup>th</sup> Regular Board Meeting for approval. Given the upcoming ACWA Fall Conference and holidays, Manager Moody reported the week of November 18<sup>th</sup> looks to be the most accommodating for a meeting. Manager Moody advised staff will send an email to the Committee members to get a consensus on a date.

b. Stockton East Water District Activities Update

Manager Moody reported SEWD and the Linden County Water District will be holding a SGMA Outreach event on November 14, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. at Holy Cross Church in Linden. Manager Moody reported he will bring all SGMA updates to this event as the GSP has been finished and all GSAs will be voting to accept the document in December.

Director Cortopassi inquired if it has been determined what Linden County Water District will be paying in administrative expenses for the GSP. Manager Moody reported ~\$22,000. Director McGurk inquired how the District will advertise for this event. Manager Moody reported the meeting information will be added to the District website. Director Watkins suggested staff make a flyer that can be posted inside Linden businesses.

**G. DIRECTOR REPORTS (None)**

**H. COMMUNICATIONS**

1. Greater Stockton Chamber of Commerce – 35<sup>th</sup> Annual San Joaquin County Agricultural Hall of Fame Thank You, 10/24/19  
Manager Moody provided the Board with Thank You correspondence from the Greater Stockton Chamber of Commerce regarding the 35<sup>th</sup> Annual San Joaquin County Agricultural Hall of Fame.

**I. AGENDA PLANNING/UPCOMING EVENTS**

1. Ad Hoc Benefits/Salary Comparison Study Committee Meeting, 10:00 a.m., 11/06/19
2. Greater Stockton Chamber of Commerce Monthly Mixer – Inspire Academy of Barbering and Cosmetology, 5:15 p.m., 11/07/19
3. District Holiday – Veteran’s Day, 11/11/19
4. San Joaquin County & Delta Water Quality Coalition Meeting, 9:00 a.m., 11/11/19

**J. REPORT OF THE COUNSEL**


1. Closed Session - Potential Litigation  
Government Code 54956.9 (c) – two cases

President Panizza adjourned the meeting to closed session at 12:42 p.m. to discuss closed session agenda items. The regular meeting reconvened at 1:13 p.m., with no reportable action.

**K. ADJOURNMENT**

President Panizza adjourned the meeting at 1:14 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Scot A. Moody  
Secretary of the Board

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