TRANQUILLITY IRRIGATION DISTRICT

# 25390 W. Silveira, Tranquillity, CA (559) 698-7225

# AGENDA

**Wednesday, November 15, 2023 – 8:30 a.m.**

1. ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS OF THE PROPOSED AGENDA

(The Board may add an item to the agenda if, upon a two thirds vote, the Board finds that there is a need for immediate action on the matter and the need came to the attention of the District after the posting of the agenda.)

1. PUBLIC COMMENTS – Comments at this time are limited to items not on this agenda and within the Boards scope of responsibility. Speakers may be limited to 3 minutes.
2. POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

(Any Board member who has a potential conflict of interest may now identify the item and recuse himself from discussing and voting on the matter) [FPPC § 87105.]

1. MINUTES for the meeting of October 18, 2023 for review and approval
2. Treasurer Report
   1. Cash Flow Report, Accounts Payable and Receivables for October 2023.
3. WATERMASTER’S REPORTS: Operations and maintenance – The Board will receive reports on all water operations in Tranquillity and TID Fresno Slough property as well as all related maintenance activities completed during October.
4. Water use – irrigation and drinking water.
5. Other maintenance; equipment and facility status, wells, pumps, mobile equipment, canals and distribution systems, weed control, buildings and other District properties.
6. Well Depth & PH/TDS testing
7. Flow Meter readings
8. Director Report
9. Counsel Report
   1. Status of legal matters affecting the District
   2. SGMA
   3. Action Items:
      * 1. Review and consider accepting the Water Rate Fee Study for Tranquillity Irrigation District dated November 2023.
        2. Review and consider taking action to set a public hearing to consider the increases to **agricultural** water rates and authorize the mailing of notices to water users regarding same.
        3. Easement Agreement with Tranquillity Public Utilities District (sewer lift station)
10. Engineering Consultant Report
    1. SGMA update
    2. Grants – P&P report along with possible action items for review and approval
11. Manager Report – items may be considered for action
    1. 2023 Water Schedule Tracking
    2. 2024-Water Rate/Well Rate
    3. Meters Update
    4. City Well #8 Sign
    5. Mendota Pool/Draw down
    6. BBQ – Mike & Tito’s
12. Closed Session
    1. **CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS** Pursuant to California Government Code Section 54956.8

Property: Temporary Water Transfer

Agency Negotiator: Danny M Wade & Rodney D Wade

Negotiating Parties: TID & SLWD

Under Negotiation: Price & Terms

* 1. **CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS** Pursuant to California Government Code Section 54956.8

Property: Water Rights  
Agency negotiator: Danny M Wade & Rodney D Wade   
Negotiating parties: Various Water Users, unspecified for the benefit of the public agency  
Under negotiation: Instruction to negotiator will concern price and terms of payment

* 1. **CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS**

Government Code Section 54956.8

Property: Kings River Water Rights

Agency negotiator: Danny M Wade & Rodney D Wade

  Negotiating parties: Lower River Units of the Kings River Water Association

Under negotiation:  Instruction to negotiator will concern price and terms of payment for rental agreement.

* 1. **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION** pursuant to Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Government Code Section 54956.9.

Name of Case:  NRDC v. Jewell – U.S. District Court – Eastern District of California (Case No. 1:05-cv-01207LJO-EPG)

* 1. **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION**

Closed Session pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)

Name of Case: James Irrigation District v. KRWA, et al.

* 1. **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – POTENTIAL LITIGATION – 1 case**

Closed Session pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)

* 1. **CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS** Pursuant to California Government Code Section 54956.8

Property: Fresno Slough Water District land

Agency Negotiator: Danny M Wade & Rodney D Wade

Negotiating Parties: TID & Angiola WD

Under Negotiation: Price & Terms

* 1. **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION**

Closed Session pursuant to California Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1).

* + 1. Name of case: California Sportfishing Protection Alliance v. All Persons Interested in the Matter of the Validity of the Northern and Central Delta-Mendota Regions Groundwater Sustainability Plan, et al., Stanislaus County Superior Court, Case No. CV-20-001748 [Delta-Mendota Subbasin SGMA Challenge].
    2. Name of case: Center for Biological Diversity, Restore the Delta, and Planning and Conservation League v. United States Bureau of Reclamation, Tranquillity Irrigation District, et al. In the United States District Court for the Eastern District of California, Case No. 1:20-cv-00706 DAD-EPG.
  1. **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION**

Closed Session pursuant to California Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1).

NORTH COAST RIVERS ALLIANCE, CALIFORNIA SPORTSFISHING PROTECTION ALLIANCE, PACIFIC COAST FEDERATION OF FISHERMEN’S ASSOCIATIONS, SAN FRANCISCO CRAB BOAT OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC., and INSTITUTE FOR FISHERIES RESOURCES v. UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, et al. – United States District Court, Eastern District of California (Case No. 1:16-CV-307 DAD-SKO).

1. Reports out of Closed Session – if any
2. Adjourn

**NOTE: The agenda items may not be presented in the order they are listed. Persons wishing to discuss an item that was taken out of order will have the opportunity to do so. All agenda items listed are considered to be discussion and/or action items.** **Materials related to an item on this agenda that are public documents and are submitted after distribution and posting of the agenda are available for public inspection in the District's office at 25390 W. Silveira Street, Tranquillity, during normal business hours.  Documents that are public documents provided by others during a meeting will be available at the same location during business hours after the meeting. *Individuals needing special assistance in order to participate in this meeting should contact the District Secretary for such assistance or accommodation prior to the meeting.***