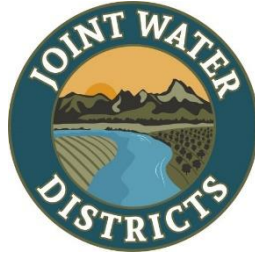


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**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL BOARD MEETING OF THE BOARD  
OF DIRECTORS OF THE JOINT WATER DISTRICTS  
NOVEMBER 18, 2022 AT 9:00 A.M.**

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THE JOINT WATER DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS MET IN SPECIAL SESSION AT BUTTE WATER DISTRICT'S BOARDROOM, LOCATED AT 735 VIRGINIA STREET, GRIDLEY.

The meeting was called to order at 9:02 by Director Meyer with the following Directors present: Walt Meyer and Charlie Etcheverry. Managers present: Donnie Stinnett, Danny Robinson, Lynn Phillips, Mark Orme and Sean Earley. Guest(s) present: Dustin Cooper of Minasian Law Firm and Andrea Clark of Downey Brand LLP.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

Director Nevis moved to approve the agenda as submitted. The motion was seconded by Manager Orme and passed unanimously.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

No Public Comment

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- A. Allocation of 2022 Non-Allotted Water** – Discussion was held on how to distribute the non-allotted water amongst the Joint Water Districts Board member districts. In light of ongoing statewide drought conditions, the Joint Water Districts Board and Western Canal Water District voluntarily agreed, in concept and subject to potentially revisiting estimates, to limit diversions in the 2022/2023 non-allotted water season to the minimum needed for reasonable and beneficial use. Mr. Cooper advised that division or allocation of water during the non-allotted season was not specifically addressed in the Joint Operating Agreement; however, he believes the reason the clause is in the Diversion Agreement was because the underlying basis of right was pre-1914 which allows for change in season of use as long as there is not legal injury to other water users. Manager Stinnett provided multiple different potential options for sharing such water this year. The options were discussed by the Joint Water Districts Board and it was agreed that any decision would be limited to this year only and would not establish precedent for any potential future years where such an approach may be needed. Director Nevis motioned to authorize the general managers of the Joint Districts, in coordination with Western, to

determine the share of water used during the 2022/2023 non-allotted water season, subject to revising the topic by the Joint Water Districts Board in the event of any disagreement amongst the managers. The motion was seconded by Director Meyer and passed unanimously.

**ADJOURNMENT OF SPECIAL MEETING:** Being no further discussion the meeting was adjourned at 9:53 a.m.

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Walt Meyer, President

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Donnie Stinnett, Manager