

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE
RECLAMATION DISTRICT 900
December 16, 2021
Minutes**

Pursuant to Government Code section 54953, as amended by Assembly Bill 361 (2021), and due to the State of Emergency declared by the Governor on March 4, 2020, members of the Reclamation District 900 Board of Trustees participated in this regular meeting using the Zoom meeting platform. To reduce the spread of COVID-19, members of the public were invited to watch the meeting livestream at <https://youtu.be/23YWFYus8-o>.

The meeting was called to order at 6:20 PM by President Guerrero. Also in attendance at the meeting were: Trustees Ledesma and Alcalá; Interim General Manager Fabun and District Counsel Nevis.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION – PART I

Entry No. 1

Heard General Administration Functions as follows:

A. None.

B. District Financial Update

Interim General Manager Fabun reported on the monthly revenue and expenses for September 2021. The 900 drainage budget starting balance was \$8.13M. Revenue was \$44k and expenditures were \$185k, leaving an ending balance of \$7.99M. The Levee budget starting balance was approximately \$2.47M. There was no revenue and expenditures totaled \$139k, resulting in an ending balance of \$2.33M. The 537 Drainage fund's starting balance was \$870k. There was no revenue and expenditures totaled were \$5.3k, leaving an ending balance of \$865k. The Agency's combined cash position at the end of September was \$11.18M.

CONSENT AGENDA – PART II

Entry No. 2

Consideration of Resolution 21-12-01 Adopting Findings Necessary to Continue Conducting Reclamation District 900 Board Meetings Via Teleconference Pursuant to Assembly Bill 361.

Entry No. 3

Consideration of approval of the November 18, 2021, meeting minutes.

MOTION: Ledesma	SECOND: Alcalá	AYES: Guerrero, Ledesma, Alcalá
NOES: None	ABSTAIN: None	ABSENT: Orozco, Early-West

The Consent Agenda passed 3-0, by roll call vote.

REGULAR AGENDA – PART III

Entry No. 4

District Project Updates:

Interim General Manager Fabun reported out on the following.

Shared Services Agreement: expires March 2022, funds will likely only carry thru January. Staff will bring an item to the Board in January to extend the term and ask for additional capacity sufficient to complete the GM recruitment and transition to new management.

General Manager recruitment: 3 interviews were scheduled, only one occurred. Initial panel recommends moving forward with full Board interview at a special meeting closed session.

O&M Activities: staff recompacted the cracks on the Southport Levee (with exception of the tarped area), all holding well. Vegetation and debris management on levees and drainage facilities continues.

SWIF: consultant (LWA) making good progress towards clearing/resolve encroachments.

Blacker Canal: Notice of grant award from FEMA received via Cal OES; the award was based on the total project cost at time of grant application was \$1.359M, with a federal share of 75% (~\$1.02M). The District share is 25% (~\$340k). Staff is requesting additional grant funds to cover requirements from the USFW

Biological Opinion (biological monitors, dewatering). Cal OES has assured staff that the additional work will be covered. Environmental – staff will schedule a site visit to meet w/ residents that expressed concern regarding potential impacts to habitat.

Corp Yard Project: HVAC and bollard installation scheduled to begin December 17; a few minor items to address from the Fire inspection (signs, fire extinguishers); anti-transparent film on windows to deter unwanted prying eyes.

Caltrans trash capture project: flow data provided to Caltrans to assist with design of the unit.. No as-builts available for the ditch profile.

Emergency preparedness training w/ City moved to January.

WSAFCA: Board took action on Dec 16 to certify CEQA for the Yolo Bypass Levee Project and to authorize the Board Chair to execute the Project Partnership Agreement with the Corps (65% fed, 35% non-fed cost share) and the Local Project Partnership Agreement with the State (70% state, 30% WSAFCA – effective cost share to WSAFCA is ~10.5%) for the federal project. Next levee segment after Yolo Bypass East Levee (YBEL) is the Sacramento River West North Levee (SRWNL). Since Corps does not yet have funds to move past YBEL, WSAFCA leading geotechnical explorations, survey and environmental investigations on the SRWNL. With the passing of the Infrastructure Bill (IIJA), the Corps has until mid-January to issue their Work Plan. WSAFCA hopeful that funds for the West Project is available. If not, then will rely on the Appropriations Bill for the programmed New Start and construction funding once the Continuing Resolution is over Feb 18.

Entry No. 5

President Guerrero reported that a Poll will come out to the trustees from the Interim General Manager to schedule a special meeting the first week in January 2022 to interview the GM candidate.

Entry No. 6

Adjourned at 6:42 PM.

MOTION: Ledesma

SECOND: Alcalá

AYES: Guerrero, Ledesma, Alcalá

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Orozco, Early-West

The adjournment passed 3-0, by roll call vote.



Greg Fabun, Interim General Manager/Secretary
Reclamation District 900