

**BOARD MEETING  
RECLAMATION DISTRICT 900  
August 18, 2022  
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 Special 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/a8FQ3-Sjz\\_o](https://youtu.be/a8FQ3-Sjz_o).

The meeting was called to order at 6:04 PM by President Guerrero. Also in attendance at the meeting were: Trustees Alcalá, Orozco, and Early; General Manager Johnson, Interim Assistant General Manager Fabun and District Counsel Nevis.

**GENERAL ADMINISTRATION – PART I**

Entry No. 1

Heard General Administration Functions as follows:

A. None.

B. Monthly/YTD Revenue and Expenses. Final revenue numbers have not yet come in from the County. Should be available by September. Expenses are shown for the first month of the fiscal year (July 2022).

**CONSENT AGENDA – PART II**

Entry No. 2

Consideration of Resolution 22-08-01 Ratifying the Proclamation of a State of Emergency by Governor Newsom as Applicable in the District and Authorizing Teleconference Meetings of Legislative Bodies of Reclamation District 900 Pursuant to The Ralph M. Brown Act.

Entry No. 3

Consideration of Resolution 2022-08-02 Authorizing the District President and General Manager to Enter into and Grant Rights of Entry, License Agreements, Temporary Construction and other Temporary Rights Agreements for the Federal West Sacramento California Project.

Entry No. 4

Consideration for the Board of Trustees to Enter Into an Easement Agreement with Jefferson Village at Southport, LLC for a Stormwater Conveyance Structure Access and Maintenance Agreement.

Entry No. 5

Consideration of Resolution 2022-08-03 Authorizing the General Manager to sign as the Representative of RD 900 and Directed to Execute and Deliver to the Administrator of the Retirement Plan one or more counterparts of the Plan.

Entry No. 6

Consideration of Approval of the July 28, 2022 Meeting Minutes.

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

The consent agenda passed 4-0, by roll call vote.

**REGULAR AGENDA – PART III**

Entry No. 7 - General Manager Updates

General Manager Johnson reported the following:

The District's consultant (LWA) submitted quarter 2 reimbursement requests for Blacker Canal.

The Flood Maintenance Assistance Program (FMAP) Application for 22/23 is being prepared by the District's consultant (MHM).

Waiting on insurance company for final payout of tractor/mower that was lost in a fire on June 16, 2022. Spoke with sales representative regarding the purchase of a new tractor. Not many tractors available at this time.

Staff constantly monitoring equipment for metal fatigue/rodent damage. Current mower is showing signs of fatigue, will need to be replaced within the next 6 months.

Plans and specifications are being prepared for the cracked levee. Received approval from Central Valley Flood Protection Board to move forward with repair.

Roof Replacement - Staff should have a Request for Proposal available in the next few weeks for roof repair/replacement.

Office Landscaping - Staff should have a Request for Proposal available in the next few weeks for landscape design.

Office Signage - Staff should have a Request for Proposal available in the next few weeks for office signage.

2022 Emergency Preparation/Flood Season Coordination - The Regional Exercise is scheduled for August 25, 2022.

## **WSAFCA**

Interim Assistant General Manager Fabun reported the USACE is out of design money. Waiting to enter into a construction agreement (partner partnership agreement, PPA). PPA will be signed and executed on September 7, 2022. Greg, Chair of WSAFA, Flood Protection Board and the USACE will be in attendance. A member from the RD is more than welcome to attend. Yolo Bypass levee is ready for construction (2023). Next levee for repair is the Sacramento north levee, geotechnical, survey and environmental clearance has been moving forward. Federal appropriations FY22 approx. \$25 million. FY 23 approx. \$80 million for WSAFCA projects.

## **City of West Sacramento**

Staff is coordinating with the City's Parks Department regarding Bridgeway Lakes. City would like to divert water from RD900's main canal into Bridgeway Lakes. It is anticipated that the city would remove this rock riprap in October, prior to the rainy season. RD900 will issue an encroachment permit to the City. Bids are in – waiting for contractor award. President Guerrero asked about the sequence of this project/expected outcome. Johnson described that the pond (Bridgeway Lakes) was drying up due to lack of rain and groundwater. City owns a well to fill the RD's canal with additional water. This project would dam up the canal at the well site to prevent water from flowing east, dam up Blacker Canal to prevent water from flowing east and dam up the main canal just south of what is called Three Gates, the canal that leads to Bridgeway Lakes. Alternatives were looked at including inflatable dams and riprap. Riprap should be quite a bit less expensive. Riprap would be removed by the contractor prior to the rainy season (October-November). In the event of an emergency (heavy rains), the rock can be removed by City or RD staff. The City's contractor will ultimately be responsible for the removal of the rock riprap.

Trustee Orozco asked if additional developments were built in the Southport area, would these water features/amenities be impacted like Bridgeway Lakes. Johnson described that there is no real water supply to Bridgeway Lakes other than rainwater, water from the RD's canal (when what is high enough to flow over a weir), and groundwater. A city well approx. 3 miles away will feed the canal and hopefully provide water to the lake. The city does have a potable water well near Bridgeway Lakes but determined that using this well could be prohibited due to the drought conditions and the chemicals added to drinking water. Future developments will need to assess the need for water for new water features.

President Guerrero mentioned one of the new developments will have a golf course. Fabun mentioned that the main canal may be used for a water supply. Water supply should be looked at for these features.

President Guerrero asked how long it would take to get water to Bridgeway Lakes. Johnson wasn't sure how long with the dry and hot weather we have been experiencing over the summer.

The District's shared agreement for Mr. Fabun's time is about to run out. Staff will work with City staff to look into a new shared agreement for a broader agreement where both entities could share the following:

1. Administration Support
2. Managerial Support
3. Operational Support

Rates would be established for each labor category.

Entry No. 8

Trustee Comments: No Comments

Entry No. 9

The meeting adjourned at 6:31 PM.

MOTION: Orozco  
NOES: None

SECOND: Alcala  
ABSTAIN: None

AYES: Orozco, Alcala, Early, Guerrero  
ABSENT: Ledesma

The adjournment passed 4-0, by roll call vote.



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Blake Johnson, General Manager/Secretary  
Reclamation District 900