

**PATTERSON IRRIGATION DISTRICT GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
MINUTES**

August 16, 2023

The Patterson Irrigation District Groundwater Sustainability Agency Board of Directors meeting was called to order at 1:04 p.m. by President Barbaste

Directors Present: Richard Barbaste, John Azevedo, Alan Scheuber, David Fantozzi, Daniel Robinson

Directors Absent: None

Others Present:	Vince Lucchesi	General Manager
	Toni Russell	Secretary/Treasurer
	Mark Smith	Smith Policy Group/Policy Consultant

CORRECTIONS OR ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA:

None

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

REPORT ITEMS:

SGMA UPDATE:

General Manager Lucchesi provided a report in the board packet regarding:

- SWRCB & DWR Inadequate Determination Process Update
- GSP Implementation

With the completion of all agenda items the meeting was adjourned at 1:30 p.m.

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CORRECTIONS OR ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA:

None

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

CLOSED SESSION:

President Barbaste announced the items that would be discussed in Closed Session. The Board convened into closed session at 1:31 p.m. to discuss the items below:

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION
(Paragraph (1) of Subdivision (d) of Government Code Section 54956.9)

- i. California Sportfishing Protection Alliance v Patterson Irrigation District GSA, Stanislaus County Superior Court Case No. CV-20-001748
- ii. Banta-Carbona Irrigation District, West Stanislaus Irrigation District, Patterson Irrigation District v California State Water Resources Control Board, Sacramento County Superior Court Case No. 34-2021-80003718-CU-WM-GDS
- iii. Patterson Irrigation District v City of Patterson, Stanislaus County, Stanislaus County, Alameda County Superior Court Case No. CV-22-004288

The Board returned to open session 1:42 p.m. President Barbaste reported action was taken in closed session.

CONSENT ITEMS:

Agenda Items 9 – 10 Board to Consider: a) July 18, 2023 Special Patterson Irrigation District Board Meeting/Strategic Planning Workshop, July 26, 2023 Special PID GSA Board Meeting and July 26, 2023 Special PID Board Meeting b) Financial Report, Cash Disbursements Report, the Update to Reserves, and the Budget to Actual for the month ending in July.

Director Azevedo made a motion to approve the Consent Items. Second by Director Robinson and passed unanimously.

Ayes: Barbaste, Azevedo, Scheuber, Fantozzi, Robinson

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

ACTION ITEMS:

BOARD TO CONSIDER AUTHORIZING GENERAL MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH THE LOCAL 3 OPERATING ENGINEERS AND PID FIELD STAFF THROUGH DECEMBER OF 2025

Lucchesi noted that PID representatives are to meet again with the Union reps, some small tweaks were addressed and the representatives are working on those items.

No action was taken.

BOARD TO CONSIDER SETTING THE END OF THE IRRIGATION SEASON AND APPROVAL OF LETTER TO PID ACCOUNT HOLDERS REGARDING THE END OF THE SEASON

General Manager Lucchesi presented to the Board the draft letter notifying all account holders of ending the irrigation season on October 20, 2023 so PID staff can move to winter maintenance.

After a thorough discussion, Director Scheuber made a motion to approve the end of the irrigation season to be October 20, 2023. Second by Director Fantozzi and passed unanimously.

Ayes: Barbaste, Azevedo, Scheuber, Fantozzi, Robinson

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

BOARD TO CONSIDER AUTHORIZING THE GENERAL MANAGER TO EXECUTE CONTRACT WITH STANTEC ENGINEERING FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES DURING CONSTRUCTION, CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT SERVICES, AND ENGINEERING MODIFICATIONS FOR PUMPING PLANT NUMBER 4

General Manager Lucchesi presented to the Board of Directors a proposal from Stantec for \$1,451,961.25. This proposal is for: engineering services change order for addressing some changes on the Pumping Plant 4 design, Construction Management Services, and Engineering Services during construction. Lucchesi noted that Stantec's proposal for engineering services during construction and construction management services are identical to the proposal for the Pumping Plant 2 work. Lucchesi noted that this effort is the same as Pumping Plant 2 and therefore these costs are in line with what we paid before.

Lucchesi also noted that although our purchasing policy has a requirement to go out to RFP for efforts in this price range; the single source justification is necessary to justify varying from the policy. Lucchesi noted that this work is a continuation of existing work performed by Stantec. In addition, Lucchesi stated that this work has been put to bid before and Stantec was the low bidder

and performed within budget without any change orders. Therefore, it is justifiable that the Board may allow the single source justification for the work.

After a thorough discussion, Director Azevedo made a motion to authorize the General Manager to execute the contract and make the necessary budget adjustments and to accept the single source justification. Second by Director Scheuber and passed unanimously.

Ayes: Barbaste, Azevedo, Scheuber, Fantozzi, Robinson

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

REPORT ITEMS:

WATER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM SUPERVISOR'S REPORT:

General Manager Lucchesi gave a report on recent operations and maintenance activities in the district. A written report was included in the board packet for review.

STATE AND FEDERAL AFFAIRS UPDATE:

General Manager Lucchesi and Policy Consultant Mark Smith provided updates on the budget request from Senator Caballero. Lucchesi noted that the \$5,000,000 budget request funding is with the State Water Resources Control Board. Lucchesi noted that the SWRCB is developing an agreement for PID.

Lucchesi also noted on the progress of the FAA development with USBR and Stantec's effort.

ACWA FALL CONFERENCE NOVEMBER 28-30

Lucchesi notified the Board of the upcoming ACWA conference in Indian Wells starting November 28. Directors Robinson, Barbaste, Scheuber and Azevedo indicated their interest in going.

STEVE TRINTA RETIREMENT

Lucchesi reminded the Board of Steve Trinta's upcoming retirement. Lucchesi noted that he will post the position at the end of the month and hopefully conduct interviews and promote the employee prior to the end of September. Lucchesi noted that he will be asking a board member to sit in on the interviews.

Lucchesi also noted that in lieu of a gift for Steve, Steve requested that he keep his laptop on his retirement. The Board supported that and told Lucchesi to purchase a replacement for the new Water Operations Supervisor.

AOUTSIDE AGENCY/ORGANIZATION REPORTS & UPDATES:

Lucchesi provided Agency and Staff reports on the following:

- SLDMWA Activities
- IRWM/SWMP Update
- Drainage Authority Update
- SLDMWA SGMA Update
- FishBio Update
- Family Farm Alliance
- San Joaquin Valley Water Blueprint Effort

MANAGEMENT REPORT:

A written report was included in the Board packet regarding administration, operations, and construction activities.

- Managers Briefing
- Administration Report
 - Lucchesi provided a report on Personnel
 - Lucchesi Provided a report on Risk Management
- Lucchesi provided a report on construction projects
- Lucchesi provided a report on projects
- Lucchesi provided a report on Water Operations

DIRECTORS BRIEFING:

None

CLOSED SESSION:

President Barbaste announced the items that would be discussed in Closed Session. The Board convened into closed session at 3:06 p.m. to discuss the items below:

CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS

(Government Code Section 54956.8)

Property: Water

Agency Negotiator: Vince Lucchesi, General Manager

Negotiating Parties: Anthea Hansen, General Manager DPWD

Under Negotiation: Instructions to Negotiator will concern price and payment terms

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Negotiating Parties: Steve Ottemoller, Friant Water Authority

Under Negotiation: Instructions to Negotiator will concern price and payment terms

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Agency Negotiator: Vince Lucchesi, General Manager

Negotiating Parties: Skye Grass, General Manager Kern-Tulare Water District

Under Negotiation: Instructions to Negotiator will concern price and payment terms

The Board returned to open session 3:21 p.m. President Barbaste reported action was taken in closed session.

ACTION ITEMS:

BOARD TO CONSIDER AUTHORIZING GENERAL MANAGER TO EXECUTE WATER TRANSFER AGREEMENTS WITH KERN-TULARE WATER DISTRICT FOR UP TO 10,000 AF OF WATER ALLOCATED BY THE ENDTRAL VALLEY PROJECT AND EXECUTING AGREEMENTS AND ACTIONS NECESSARY TO FACILITATE THE TRANSFER THERETO

Lucchesi presented to the Board two transfer proposals from Kern-Tulare Water District for \$59.80 per acre-foot. The first transfer is for up to 4,000 AF of PID San Joaquin River Settlement water and up to 7,000 AF of PID's remaining CVP SOD Ag water supply. Both transfers are to have a cap of 10,000 AF.

After a brief discussion Director Azevedo made a motion to approve the transfers and to authorize the general manager to take actions necessary to facilitate the transfers. Seconded by Director Robinson and passed unanimously.

Ayes: Barbaste, Azevedo, Scheuber, Fantozzi, Robinson
Noes: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None

OTHER ITEMS

Nothing to report

UPCOMING BOARD MEETING(S)

The next Board meeting is scheduled for September 20, 2023 as a Regular Board meeting

With the completion of all agenda items the meeting was adjourned at 3:14 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Toni Russell, Secretary