

**MINUTES FOR THE  
DECEMBER 20, 2018  
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE SSJID BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

The Board of Directors of the South San Joaquin Irrigation District met in special session at 1:00 p.m. at the District Office Boardroom. President Kamper called the meeting to order and led the flag salute. Upon roll-call the following members were noted present:

DIRECTORS: HOLBROOK HOLMES KAMPER ROOS  
ABSENT: KUIL

Also present were: General Manager, Peter Rietkerk; General Counsel, Mia S. Brown; Engineering Department Manager, Forrest Killingsworth; Irrigation Operations Manager, Frank Avila; and Civil Engineer, Chad Parsons.

**Public Comment** – None

**ACTION CALENDAR**

**Item #1 – Board and staff discussion regarding ITRC Modernization Plan**

Mr. Rietkerk stated that Board President Kuil wanted an opportunity for the Board to discuss the proposed Modernization Plan while it is still fresh on everyone's mind. Mr. Forrest Killingsworth stated the conceptual plan that was presented by ITRC at the December 11 Board meeting was their first attempt at developing a modernization concept for the District's irrigation infrastructure. Mr. Killingsworth stated that the plan should be considered a starting point for discussion purposes and that further refinement will likely be necessary as the Master Plan develops.

Director Kamper believes the proposed location of one of the new regulation reservoirs was not thought out very well. He believes that although ITRC had very detailed maps, some of the pumps on his specific properties were not identified. He agreed that the plan is only a rough draft. He said the District has a significant number of small acreage parcels that could benefit from pressurized service since the initial investment required by the growers to connect to the proposed system would be minimized. Director Roos stated that Right-of-Ways are still required for the road easements. Director Holmes said there was a lot of good information regarding the District's methods of irrigation. He also believes the reverse control of the District's Main Canal is an outstanding concept and represent a significant savings in reservoir construction.

There was a lot of discussion regarding the ITRC Modernization Plan and Director Kamper suggests the Board comes back to revisit this item.

**Item #2 – Follow up discussion with AG Water Committee members regarding the Joint Supply Canal tour and proposed future tunnel improvements**

Mr. Killingsworth noted the staff report was developed for informational and discussion purposes only. Mr. Rietkerk said it is recommended that the 30% Design Proposal be brought back to the Board at the January 15 or 29 Board Meeting for further consideration and possible action. On March 20, 2018, Condor Earth provided SSJID with a proposal to develop a 30% design for a joint supply canal (JSC) bypass tunnel (Canyon Tunnel). The new tunnel would be located immediately downstream of Goodwin Dam and would extend approximately 13,000 feet to a point where the JSC departs from the Stanislaus River Canyon.

The primary contents of a 30% Tunnel Design are to:

- Evaluate the preliminary tunnel construction cost

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- Evaluate project feasibility, optimize the tunnel portals and alignment to reduce construction costs, and develop recommendations for tunnel portals/alignments
- Obtain site and subsurface data for this preliminary 30% design phase (via boring) – to also be used in later design phases
- Evaluate a scope of services for the 60% design phase

The Board gave direction to staff to obtain an updated proposal from Condor Earth for the 30% Design. Director Kamper advised Staff to work closely with Oakdale Irrigation District to keep them in the loop.

***The Board adjourned to closed session at 2:36 p.m.***

**Item #3 – Closed Session**

Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation

Initiation of litigation pursuant to paragraph (4) of subdivision of (d) of Government Code Section 54956.9

- 1 case

Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation

Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Government Code Section 54956.9

- 3 cases

a) Johnson vs. SSJID

In the Court of Appeal for the State of California, Third Appellate District

Case Number C079200

(Superior Court No. 39-2011-00268620-CU-PO-STK)

b) SSJID vs. PG&E

Appeal from Judgment of Dismissal Pending:

In the Court of Appeal for the State of California, Third Appellate District

Case Number C086319

(Superior Court No. STK-CV-UED-2016-0006638)

c) PG&E vs. San Joaquin LAFCo; SSJID, Real Party in Interest

In the Court of Appeal of the State of California, Third Appellate District

Case No. C086008

(Superior Court No. STK-CV-UJR-2015-0001266)

***The Board returned to open session at 3:08 p.m.***

Disclosure of reportable actions taken in closed session (Government Code section 54957.1): There were no reportable actions taken in Closed Session.

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**Item #4 – ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to discuss, a motion was made by Director Holbrook and seconded by Director Kamper to adjourn the meeting at 3:28 p.m. The motion passed 4 to 0 by the following vote:

AYES:	HOLBROOK HOLMES KAMPER ROOS
NOES:	NONE
ABSTAIN:	NONE
ABSENT:	KUIL

**ATTEST:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Betty L. Garcia, Clerk of the Board