



Reservoir Committee/Authority Board Meeting

January 19, 2024

9:00 AM – **1:30 PM**

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Authority Board Vice Chair:	Jeff Sutton (Tehama-Colusa Canal Authority)
Reservoir Committee Chair:	Valerie Pryor (Zone 7 Water Agency)
Reservoir Committee Vice-Chair:	Mike Azevedo (Colusa County)
Treasurer:	Jamie Traynham (Davis Water District)

AGENDA

ROLL CALL & CALL TO ORDER:

- Introductions.
- Pledge of Allegiance.
- Approval of today’s meeting agenda for January 19, 2024.
- Announcement of Closed Session.
- Period for Public Comment.

People may speak about any subject of concern, provided it is within the Reservoir Committee’s (RC) and Authority Board’s (AB) jurisdiction. Before speaking, you must submit a public comment card electronically or on paper. The time allotted for receiving such public communication shall be 3 minutes per person. Note: No action shall be taken on comments made during this period.

1. Consent Agenda

Approximate start time 9:10 am

The Executive Director reviewed the following items. To his knowledge, there is no opposition to the action. The items can be acted on in one consolidated motion as recommended or may be removed from the Consent Calendar and separately considered at the request of any person. Each item indicates the body authorized to approve such actions according to the JPA, Bylaws and Project Agreement.

- 1.1 Reservoir Committee and Authority Board consider approval of December 15, 2023, Reservoir Committee and Authority Board Meeting Minutes. **(Attachments A & B)**
- 1.2 Reservoir Committee and Authority Board consider acceptance of the Sites Project Authority Treasurer’s Report. **(Attachment A & B)**
- 1.3 Reservoir Committee and Authority Board consider approval of the Sites Project Authority Payment of Claims. **(Attachment A & B)**

- 2. **Action Items:** Approximate start time 9:20 am
 - 2.1 Reservoir Committee and Authority Board confirm that the development of the Benefits and Obligations (B&O) Contract remains consistent with the board adopted Guiding Principles and Preliminary Terms and delegate development of further operational details to the Operations and Engineering Committee.
 - 2.2 Reservoir Committee and Authority Board consider directing staff to proceed with implementing the Local Community Working Group proposed policy recommendations as part of the project and continue working with the LCWG to ensure the project stays aligned with the local community’s vision for a successful outcome. **(Attachment A)**
 - 2.3 Reservoir Committee and Authority Board consider authorizing the Executive Director to submit the Project’s Clean Water Act 404 and 401 Permit Application.
 - 2.4 Reservoir Committee and Authority Board consider authorizing the Executive Director to submit the Project’s Eagle Conservation Plan to the US Fish and Wildlife Service for a Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act Permit for Project construction and operations.
 - 2.5 Reservoir Committee and Authority Board consider approval of the 2024 State and Federal Legislative Priorities. **(Attachment A & B)**

- 3. **Discussion and Information Items:** Approximate start time 10:20 am
No action from the Reservoir Committee or Authority Board.
 - 3.1 Receive a program-level review of scope and schedule aspects of submitted Biological Assessments covering Construction and Operations.
 - 3.2 Receive an overview of Project operations modeling using the recently developed CalSim model platform (commonly referred to as CalSim 3).
 - 3.3 Review and comment on the Lower Colusa Basin Drain System’s list of potential long-term agreements and related near-term actions to support the Benefits and Obligations Contract development process. **(Attachment A & B)**

- 4. **Reports:** Approximate start time 11:20 am
 - 4.1 **Chairpersons’ Reports:**
 This time is set aside to allow the Reservoir Committee & Authority Board Chair/Vice-Chair an opportunity to disclose/discuss items related to the Project.

4.2 Committee & Workgroup Chairpersons' Reports:

This time is set aside to allow the Committee & Workgroup Chairpersons an opportunity to disclose/discuss items related to the Sites Project. Agendas are located on the project website –[Committee & Workgroup - Sites Reservoir \(sitesproject.org\)](https://sitesproject.org)

4.3 Authority Board & Reservoir Committee Participant Reports:

This time is set aside to allow Representatives or their Alternates to disclose/discuss items related to the Sites Project.

4.4 Executive Director's Reports:

- Monthly status report. **(Attachment A)**
- Work Plan Key Deliverables Report. **(Attachment B)**
- Meetings Action Items Summary. **(Attachment C)**

5. Closed Session: Approximate start time 11:35 pm

5.1 Conference with legal counsel regarding existing litigation (Gov. Code §§54956.9(d)(2)).

Friends of the River, et al. v. Sites Project Authority, et al., Yolo County Superior Court, Case No. CV2023-2626

5.2 Negotiations concerning water right permit terms and conditions (Govt. Code §54956.9(c) and §54956.9(d)(4)).

5.3 Conference with Real Property Negotiators (Gov. Code § 54956.8)

Property: [Colusa County] APNs 011-150-022-000, 011-150-021-000

Agency negotiators: Jerry Brown, Kevin Spesert

Negotiating parties: Banyon

Under negotiation: Price and terms of payment

6. Report from Closed Session Approximate start time 1:15 pm

7. Recap: Approximate start time 1:20 pm

7.1 Suggested Future Agenda Items.

7.2 Upcoming Meetings:

Joint Reservoir Committee & Authority Board

Friday, February 16, 2024 (9:00 am to noon)

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