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TRUCKEE-CARSON IRRIGATION DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2666 Harrigan Road, Fallon, Nevada 89406 (775) 423-2141

Pursuant to Nevada Open Meeting Law, Notice is Hereby Given that the Truckee-Carson Irrigation District Board of Directors will Hold it's <u>Regular Monthly Meeting</u> on: Tuesday, February 2, 2021 at the Hour of 9:00 a.m.

This meeting will be held via teleconference only. Pursuant to Governor Sisolak's March 22, 2020 Declaration of Emergency Directive 006, the requirement contained in NRS 241.023(1)(b), that there be a physical location designated for the meetings of public bodies, where the public are permitted to attend and participate, is suspended in order to mitigate the possible exposure or transmission of COVID-19 (Corona Virus). Accordingly, any person planning to participate in the meeting must do so by using the teleconference number.

Teleconference Access

The teleconference number is <u>1-855-222-7550</u>. The collaboration (meeting) code is <u>0135302 #</u>. Please dial the number and follow all prompts including entry of the code, with the # tag when so prompted. You will then be connected to the meeting.

When speaking, all persons must clearly identify themselves for purposes of the record of proceedings. When not speaking, participants must place their phones on mute. Strict rules of decorum will be observed.

THE AGENDA

Notes:

For the purposes of this agenda, words which appear in **bold face** are intended only for ease of reference in the creation of this agenda. The full description of the agenda item, to be deliberated upon and decided by the Board, if at all, follows the words appearing in **bold face**.

All meetings of the Board of Directors for the Truckee-Carson Irrigation District (TCID or District) are public (NRS 539.093). This agenda is a tentative meeting schedule. Action will be taken on all items unless otherwise noted. While meetings of the Board are subject to Nevada Open Meeting Law (NRS 241.010 et. Seq.) (OML), no provision of the OML requires the Board to discuss or take action on all agenda items. The Board may hear items in a different order, combine items for consideration, or remove an item from the agenda or delay discussion relating to any item at any time to accomplish business of the Board, on behalf of the electors of TCID, in the most efficient manner. Items scheduled at a specific time will not be heard earlier than at the scheduled time pursuant to the OML. Except in an emergency, TCID will provide written notice of its meetings consisting of a clear and complete statement of the topics scheduled to be considered. No action may be taken on any matter that is not scheduled on this agenda. Any statement made by a member of TCID during a public meeting is absolutely privileged and does not impose liability for defamation or constitute a ground for recovery in any civil action. Meetings of the Board may be conducted according to the rules of parliamentary procedure.

The Board of Directors may recess the meeting in order to convene an attorney-client meeting.

The Board may take possible action on any item on this agenda unless that item is marked "For Information Only." Items marked "For Information Only" may be discussed by the Board after any presentation is made but no action may be taken on that particular item. The Board may take items out of order, may combine two or more agenda items for consideration, may remove items from the agenda or may delay discussion of any item at any time.

1. Call to Order

For Information Only

2. Pledge of Allegiance

For Information Only

3. Review and Adoption of the Agenda

Deliberation and decision relating to the approval of the Regular Board Meeting Agenda of February 2, 2021.

4. Public Comment

For Information Only

Instructions: Members of the public who wish to address the Board of TCID may do so during this public comment period. Such comment must relate to matters not appearing on the agenda. Speakers are asked to state their name for the public record and sign and print their names on the form provided to all participants in the public meeting. Comments shall be limited to three (3) minutes per person or topic. The Board reserves the right to reduce this three (3) minute time limit, as well as limit the total time for public comment. If any matter requires extended discussion, a request should be made to the President of the Board, at the time of comment, that the matter be scheduled for consideration at a future meeting of the Board. The Board will not restrict comments based on viewpoint, nor will the Board restrict comments based upon viewpoint during public testimony given on any agenda item. The President may reopen public participation at any time during the meeting. Public comment relating to matters on the agenda may be made via telephone at (775) 423-2141 or via e-mail to denise@tcid.org.

Any comments received will be provided to the Board of Directors at the time of the meeting.

5. <u>Miscellaneous Correspondence</u>

For Information Only

Correspondence to be reviewed by the District.

6. General Manager and Staff Reports

For Information Only

General updates from staff on current conditions, current or planned projects and business of the District.

7. City of Fernley - General Updates

For Information Only

General updates by a representative from the City of Fernley.

- 8. <u>United States Fish & Wildlife Service (USFWS)–Wetlands Issues/Updates</u>
 General updates by a representative of the USFWS. For Information Only
- 9. <u>Bureau of Reclamation Lahontan Basin Area Office</u>

 General updates by a representative of the Lahontan Basin Area Office including the status of water supply conditions in the Newlands Federal Reclamation Project, and updates on the TCIDWORKS program.
- **10.** Fallon Paiute Shoshone Tribe

 General updates by a representative from the Fallon Paiute Shoshone Tribe.

 For Information Only
- **11.** Fallon Naval Air Station

 General updates by a representative from the Fallon Naval Air Station.
- **12.** <u>National Resource Conservation Service (NRCS)</u> For Information Only General updates by a representative from the NRCS, Fallon, Nevada.
- 13. Determination of the Annual Rate and Levy of Assessment for Operation and Maintenance of the Newlands Reclamation Project

 Deliberation and decision relating to the setting of a rate and levy of an assessment upon the lands in the District. The Board of Directors is required to set the rate and levy an assessment upon the lands in the District at its February meeting –pursuant to NRS 539.670(1). The levy and assessment must be sufficient to raise the annual interest on the outstanding bonds or any contractual obligation. The District has no outstanding bonds. The foremost contractual obligation of the District is the contract for the operation and maintenance of the Newlands Federal Reclamation Project, Nevada. The current contract will expire December 31, 2021. Approval of a new contract is now pending. District elector approval must be determined at a March 9, 2021 election.
- 14. Determination of the Rate and Levy of Annual Assessment on All Lands in the

 District (District General Assessment)

 For Possible Action

Deliberation and decision relating to the determination of the rate and levy of an annual assessment on all lands in the District for deposit in a capital improvement fund for purposes including the construction, reconstruction or maintenance of the District and any appurtenances necessary thereto, and for ordinary and current expenses of the District as provided for by NRS 539.480 (3-8). The rate for the assessment is adjusted

on July 1 of each year by an amount equal to the product of the maximum amount applicable during the immediately preceding 12-month period, multiplied by the lesser of 4.5 percent or the average percentage of increase in the Consumer Price Index (CPI) for West Urban Consumers for the immediately preceding 5 years (NRS 539.480(8)). The rate of assessment for fiscal year 2020/21 is \$5.96. The new rate as adjusted by the CPI is \$6.10 for fiscal year 2021/22.

15. Annual Report to State Engineer

For Possible Action

Deliberation and decision on contents of an annual report to be made to the State Engineer as provided for by NRS 539.205. Report contents include progress of the work of the District. The key development for 2020 was the negotiation of a new contract for the on-going operation and maintenance of the Newlands Federal Reclamation Project, Nevada.

16. 2021 Special Election (O&M Contract) Support Personnel Appointments

For Possible Action

Deliberation and decision relating to appointment of special election support personnel (three (3) inspectors, and two (2) election clerks) for both election sites (Fallon and Fernley). The special election, relating to approval of a new Operation and Maintenance Contract for the Newlands Federal Reclamation Project, Nevada, will be conducted March 9, 2021, between the hours of 7:00 o'clock a.m. and 7:00 o'clock p.m.

- 17. Recognition of Former Members of the Board of Directors For Information Only Recognition of Service to the Truckee-Carson Irrigation District, by former members of the Board: Ray Peterson and Don Travis -made upon their passing.
- 18. Annual Health Care Agreement with Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield (March 2021- February 2022)

 For Possible Action

Deliberation and decision relating to approval of the annual health care agreement with Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield (March 2021 - February 2022) for all eligible District employees and Directors.

- 19. <u>Setting of Dates and Format for Annual Water User Meetings</u> For Possible Action Deliberation and decision relating to setting of annual water user meetings (dates and times) and determination of format (virtual or via teleconference) for participation by water right holders in the Newlands Federal Reclamation Project.
- 20. Appointment: Presentation by National Water Resource Association (NWRA)

For Possible Action

Presentation by Ian Lyle, Executive Director of the National Water Resource Association (NWRA) in Washington, D.C. The District is an affiliate of the NWRA which serves to assist farmers, families, and communities with all issues relating to water resources and the infrastructure with which to deliver the same. Mr. Lyle will provide a briefing on matters that touch and concern water resources at the federal Executive, Judicial, and Congressional levels.

21. Consent Agenda

For Possible Action

Matters borne by the consent agenda are considered routine and/or informational in nature. Any deliberation and/or decisions made relating to the consent agenda may be

given by the Board in a single action without comment, discussion, or public input as a single Board action. Any item on the consent agenda may be removed there-from, upon the request of a Director or member of the public, and thus be made the object of full and complete deliberation and decision making. Action relating to the consent agenda may be undertaken at any time during the course of the meeting. Items on the consent agenda for this meeting are as follows:

- Approval of Director's compensation as provided for by NRS 539.080.
- Approval of Board Meeting Minutes of January 5, 2021 conducted via teleconference.

22. Committee Reports

O&M Committee Recommendations

For Information Only

General updates by Committee Chair.

Carson Lake Pasture Advisory Committee Recommendations For Possible Action

Deliberation and decision relating to approval/denial of recommendations made as a result of the January 27, 2021 meeting of the Carson Lake Pasture Committee Meeting. Recommendations made by the Committee are subject to the final approval of the Board of Directors and include terms and conditions of Pasture grazing and use, contractual covenants, conditions, and terms to be imposed by the State of Nevada upon transfer of the Carson Lake Pasture from ownership of the United States, application processes relating to issuance of grazing permits, the amount of fees to be imposed, the number of grazers to be permitted, the total number of animal units to be allowed, the beginning and end times for grazing, authorized entry and facility locking, and any collateral considerations, or limitations, that may impact grazing practice —such as hunting on States Lands.

Employee Relations Committee Recommendations

For Information Only

General updates by Committee Chair.

Treasurer's Report and Finance Committee Recommendations For Possible Action

Deliberation and decision relating to the Treasurer's Report and Finance Committee recommendations for the preceding financial reporting period, including, without limitation, review of accounts, justification of accounts, action on past due accounts, augmentation to budget categories within the general budget, approval of disbursements, payments, transfer of funds, journal entries, payroll and/or management of District accounts necessary to achieve compliance with all applicable principles, practices, and standards of accounting and NRS 539.483.

Negotiations Committee

For Information Only

Last session was held December 9th, at Truckee-Carson Irrigation District, 2666 Harrigan Rd., Fallon, Nevada.

Policy Committee

For Information Only

General updates by Committee Chair.

Public Relations Committee

General updates by Committee Chair.

For Information Only Revenue-IT Committee

For Information Only

General updates by Committee Chair.

For Information Only **Truckee Canal Safety Committee**

General updates by Committee Chair.

Additional Period of Public Comment 23.

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24. Adjournment

Posting: This meeting has been posted at the following locations and websites at least three (3) days prior to the scheduled date of this meeting in accordance with NRS 241.020(3).

- Truckee-Carson Irrigation District
- Fallon City Hall
- Churchill County Administration Building
- Fernley City Hall
- TCID Website, www.tcid.org
- Department of Administration Public Meeting Notice Website: http://notice.nv.gov/

Special Accommodations: The Truckee-Carson Irrigation District will make reasonable efforts to assist and accommodate physically handicapped persons desiring to attend. Persons who are disabled and require special assistance may contact Helen-Marie Morrow, in writing, at TCID, 2666 Harrigan Road, Fallon, Nevada 89406, by phone at (775) 423-2141, or helenmarie@tcid.org.

State of Nevada) :ss County of Churchill)

April Denise Dixon, of said Churchill County, being duly sworn, says that on the 27th day of January, 2021, she posted a copy of this agenda at the Truckee-Carson Irrigation District Office, where the proceedings are pending.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 27th day of January, 2021

ARIEL TOMB

Notary Public - State of Nevada

Appointment Recorded in Churchill County

No: 18-2102-4 - Expires April 09, 2022

Notary Public

Truckee-Carson Irrigation District Board of Directors February 2, 2021