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# AMENDED NOTICE OF OPEN MEETING

Pursuant to Nevada Open Meeting Law, Notice is Hereby Given that the Truckee-Carson Irrigation District Board of Directors will Hold its Regular Monthly Meeting on: Tuesday, January 3, 2023 at the Hour of 9:00 a.m. This meeting will be conducted at the Board Room of the District, 2666 Harrigan Road, Fallon, Nevada.

## PARTICIPATION IN BOARD MEETING

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

There are three (3) ways to participate in meetings of the Board: (1) in person; (2) via video conferencing; (3) via teleconferencing.

#### **Video Conference Access:**

Join the Zoom Meeting at the link below:

https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81423540034?pwd=UUIhMFBjaC83VzRrVkh6eG4wZUV2dz09

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The link can be provided electronically upon request. Contact Ariel at TCID, **775-423-2141**, for further information.

## **Teleconference Access:**

The teleconference number is <u>1-669-900-6833</u>. The Meeting ID is <u>814 2354 0034</u> and the Passcode is <u>226127</u>.

# 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.

For Information Only

#### Call to Order-Roll Call

For Information Only

## 2. Pledge of Allegiance

#### For Possible Action

## 3. Review and Adoption of the Agenda

Deliberation and decision relating to the approval of the Regular Board Meeting Agenda of January 3, 2023.

For Information Only

#### 4. Public Comment

When speaking, all persons must clearly identify themselves for purposes of the record of proceedings. The Board of Directors welcomes public comment; but, any such comment must be limited to matters in the scope of authority of the Board of Directors. No matter discussed during public comment may be acted upon unless the matter appears on the agenda and is scheduled for possible action. If you wish to be heard, please introduce yourself at the appropriate time and the presiding member of the

Board of Directors will recognize you. The amount of discussion on any matter, and the amount of time any speaker is allowed, may be limited. The Board of Directors will not restrict public comment based upon viewpoint. The Board of Directors shall refuse, during public comment, statements relating to the character, alleged misconduct, professional competence, or physical or mental health of a person.

## 5. Miscellaneous Correspondence

Correspondence to be reviewed by the District.

## For Information Only

## 6. General Manager and Staff Reports

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

## For Information Only

# 7. City of Fernley-General Updates

General updates by a representative from the City of Fernley.

## For Information Only

# 8. <u>United States Fish & Wildlife Service (USFWS)–Wetlands Issues/Updates</u> General updates by a representative of the USFWS.

#### For Information Only

## 9. Bureau of Reclamation-Lahontan Basin Area Office

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.

## For Information Only

## 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.

#### For Information Only

## 12. Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS)

General updates by a representative from the NRCS, Fallon, Nevada.

## For Information Only

## 13. Nevada Department of Wildlife (NDOW)

General updates by a representative from NDOW, Fallon, Nevada.

#### For Information Only

## 14. Farmer's Conservation Alliance (FCA)

General updates by a representative from the FCA regarding the modernization plan now being developed for the Newlands Federal Reclamation Project, Nevada.

#### For Possible Action:

# 15. <u>Presentation on Carson River Capture Model Study and Request for Funding up to</u> \$20,000 per federal fiscal year FY23-25 for a total of \$60,000.

Chris Mahannah, P.E. & Cara Nadler with the USGS will provide discussion and summary of a proposed capture model study. Nevada has historically administered surface water and groundwater rights separately. Because these two systems are often hydraulically connected, groundwater pumping may deplete, or capture, surface-water resources such as streams, springs, and lakes, leading to conflict between surface-water and groundwater-right holders. The impact of groundwater withdrawal on the Carson River and Lahontan Reservoir is not well understood. Numerical groundwater models are useful tools to assess and describe both historical and potential stream and reservoir capture.

Cara will provide a brief update on the role of ongoing studies using groundwater-flow models in the upper and middle Carson River basins to evaluate the impact of future water-management scenarios, as well as describe a proposal to evaluate stream capture and use existing models to evaluate additional model scenarios in the middle Carson.

The proposed study is a 6-year project extending from federal fiscal year (FY) 2023 – federal FY28 for a total cost of \$714,000. 99% of the funding will be needed during the first three years of the project (federal FY23-25). A funding commitment of \$20,000 per federal fiscal year for the first three years FY23-25 is requested from TCID which can then be matched 1:1 by the USGS under federal cooperative match. A similar funding request was made to Churchill County which can also be matched under federal cooperative match funds at 1:1 by the USGS. The federal funding match is subject to availability from Congress. The USFWS will fund the remaining cost of the project and funds will be committed for the entire 6-year duration of the project by the USFWS.

Proposed Motion: Motion to approve the study funding request for \$	_per federal
fiscal year FY23-25 for a total of \$	

#### For Possible Action:

## 16. Preparation of Annual Assessment Book

Deliberation and decision relating to preparation and approval of the annual assessment book created by the District Assessor, Robert Oakden, Board Secretary, containing a full and accurate description of all land in the District, and a list of the persons who own, claim or have possession or control thereof, during the year, giving the number of acres listed to each person as provided for by NRS 539.667.

#### For Possible Action:

# 17. <u>Assessment Increase to Fund Continuing Operations and Capital Projects</u> Including the Truckee Lining Project

Deliberation concerning the increase of water-user assessments to go into effect July 1, 2023. Staff will provide a presentation to the Board concerning the current financial condition and future funding needs of TCID. This will include the need to fund the \$35 million repayment contract entered into with BOR for the Truckee Canal Lining Project. Staff will be requesting direction from the Board on this subject. Action on the assessment changes will be taken at the February Board meeting.

#### For Possible Action:

## 18. Appointment of a Director to Serve on the District Safety Committee

Appointment of a member of the Board of Directors to serve on the District Safety Committee which meets once per quarter.

#### For Possible Action

## 19. Consent Agenda

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.

## 20. Committee Reports

For Information Only

## **O&M Committee Recommendations**

General updates by Committee Chairman.

For Information Only

## **Carson Lake Pasture Advisory Committee Recommendations**

General updates by Committee Chairman.

For Information Only

## **Employee Relations Committee**

General updates by Committee Chairman.

#### For Possible Action

## Treasurer's Report and Finance Committee Recommendations

#### Treasurer's Report

Deliberation and decision relating to the District Treasurer's monthly report, made pursuant to NRS 539.483, and any District Finance Committee recommendations relating thereto, and including, without limitation, levy of assessments, posting and publication of claims, preparation of financial statements, review of accounts both payable and receivable, justification of accounts, action on past due accounts, augmentation of budget categories within the general budget or revision to the District's annual budget, authorization for and/or review of audits, preparation and approval of financial filings, approval of disbursements, payments, transfer of funds, journal entries, payroll, and/or management of District accounts necessary to achieve compliance with applicable principles, practices of generally accepted accounting practices.

## Treasurer's Note:

Pursuant to NRS 350.538(2), the duties associated with municipal obligations do not apply to "an irrigation district or special district governed by Title 48 of NRS." An irrigation district is not a "municipality" within the meaning of NRS Chapter 350 (Municipal Obligations). The discharge of all duties relating to the levy of assessments, posting and publication of claims, and financial statements as set forth by NRS Chapter 539 (Irrigation Districts) is deemed compliance with the budgeting, filing and publication requirements of NRS 354.470 to 354.626 (Local Financial Administration) inclusive —as otherwise made applicable to local governments (See NRS 354.474(2)).

## For Information Only

# Negotiations Committee

General updates by Committee Chairman.

## For Information Only

## **Policy Committee**

General updates by Committee Chairman.

## For Information Only

## **Public Relations Committee**

General updates by Committee Chairman.

## For Information Only

## **Revenue-IT Committee**

General updates by Committee Chairman.

## For Information Only

## **Truckee Canal Safety Committee**

General updates by Committee Chairman.

#### For Information Only

## 21. Additional Period of Public Comment

Please refer to agenda item four (4) for rules relating to public comment.

## For Information Only

## 22. Adjournment

**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 Ariel Tomb, by phone at (775) 423-2141, or by email at <a href="mailto:ariel@tcid.org">ariel@tcid.org</a>, or in writing, at TCID, 2666 Harrigan Road, Fallon, Nevada 89406.

**Posting:** This meeting has been or will be 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).

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

I, Ariel Tomb, of Churchill County, Nevada, do hereby affirm that I posted, or caused to be posted, a copy of this agenda, on the 30<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2022 at the Truckee-Carson Irrigation District Office, where the proceedings are pending.

Ariel Tomb