

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF  
VISTA IRRIGATION DISTRICT

November 14, 2022

A Special Meeting of the Board of Directors of Vista Irrigation District was held on Monday, November 14, 2022 convening at the offices of the District, 1391 Engineer Street, Vista, California.

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

President Miller called the meeting to order at 8:33 a.m.

**2. ROLL CALL**

Directors present: Miller, Vásquez, Kuchinsky, Sanchez, and MacKenzie.

Directors absent: None.

Staff present: Brett Hodgkiss, General Manager; Lisa Soto, Secretary of the Board; Don Smith, Director of Water Resources; and Mark Saltz, Water Resources Specialist. Special Counsel Holly Roberson was also present.

Other attendees as follows:

At the meeting held at the La Jolla Band's Gymnasium, adjacent to the Tribal Administration Building:

City of Escondido: Don Lincoln, Chris McKinney, Reed Harlan, and Darren Southworth

San Luis Rey Indian Water Authority: Geneva Lofton, Richard Williamson, Jerimy Billy, and Adrianna Morales

La Jolla Band of Luiseño Indians: Norma Contreras, La Vonne Peck, Gilbert Mejia, John Paipa, Jack Musick, Harold Rodriguez and Reuben Rodriguez

San Pasqual Band of Mission Indians: Stephen Cope, and Joe Navarro

Pala Band of Mission Indians: Brandon Johnson

At the San Pasqual Undergrounding Project jobsite:

Arcadis, US. Inc.: Nariman Khomamizadeh, PE

San Pasqual Band of Mission Indians: Joe Navarro

La Jolla Band of Luiseño Indians: La Vonne Peck

**3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

22-11-115	<i>Upon motion by Director MacKenzie, seconded by Director Kuchinsky and unanimously carried (5 ayes: Vásquez, Kuchinsky, Sanchez, MacKenzie and Miller), the Board of Directors approved the agenda as presented.</i>
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**4. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

No public comments were presented on items not appearing on the agenda.

**5. LA JOLLA BAND OF LUISEÑO INDIANS CAMPGROUND AND SAN PASQUAL UNDERGROUNDING PROJECT TOUR**

Director of Water Resources Don Smith and Special Counsel Holly Roberson provided an overview of the destinations and activities planned for the day. Mr. Smith stated that the itinerary for the day included a tour of the San Pasqual Undergrounding Project (SPUP), which is an active construction site. He handed out hard hats and safety vests and requested that the Board, staff, and Special Counsel (Group) wear these items while visiting the construction site.

President Miller adjourned the meeting at 9:00 a.m. for the Group to drive to the La Jolla Band of Luiseño Indians (La Jolla Band) Gymnasium adjacent to the Tribal Administration Building. The Group arrived at 10:13 a.m. and the meeting reconvened with La Jolla Band Chairwoman Norma Contreras leading the discussion. Mr. Smith provided an update regarding Harmful Algal Blooms (HABS) in Lake Henshaw and the treatment strategies being implemented by Vista Irrigation District (District) and the City of Escondido (Escondido) for the treatment of HABS in the lake. The discussion continued, centering mainly on concerns expressed by representatives of the La Jolla Band regarding HABS in Lake Henshaw and the resulting interruptions to water flowing through its campground via the San Luis Rey River.

Following the above discussion, the Group departed at 11:00 a.m. for a tour of the Diversion Dam on the La Jolla Indian Reservation. The group toured and observed the infrastructure at this location, returned to the Gymnasium at 12:35 p.m. and adjourned for lunch until 1:16 p.m.


At 1:20 p.m., the Group departed the Gymnasium and drove briefly through the La Jolla Campgrounds. The Group then drove to the SPUP construction site where the Group was joined by Nariman Khomamizadeh of Arcadis, US, Inc. Mr. Khomamizadeh led the Group through points of interests at the construction site and updated the Group on the status of the project. At 3:20, the tour of the SPUP concluded. Director Miller adjourned the meeting for the drive back to the District offices.

**6. ADJOURNMENT**

The Group arrived at the District offices at 4:10 p.m., and there being no further business to come before the Board, President Miller adjourned the meeting.

  
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Marty Miller, President

ATTEST:

  
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Lisa R. Soto, Secretary  
Board of Directors  
VISTA IRRIGATION DISTRICT



**Board of Directors  
La Jolla Band of Luiseno Indians' Campground  
and San Pasqual Undergrounding Project Tour  
Itinerary**

Monday, November 14, 2022

*Meet at VID offices at 8:30 am*

1. Call to order
2. Distribute hard hats and safety vests
3. Have refreshments
4. Depart at 8:50 am

*Travel to La Jolla Band's Gymnasium, adjacent to Tribal Administration Building*

5. Arrive about 10:00 am
6. Introductions and discussion
7. Site visit led by La Jolla representatives
8. Lunch and discussions hosted by the La Jolla Band
9. Depart about 1:30 pm

*Tour the San Pasqual Undergrounding Project*

10. Arrive about 2:00 pm
11. Tour active construction site as construction activities allow. Closed toe walking shoes recommended and safety vests and hardhats required.
12. Depart about 3:15 pm

*Return to VID offices ~ 4:00 pm*

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