

MEETING OF THE SUNNYSIDE DIVISION  
BOARD OF CONTROL

The regular meeting of the Sunnyside Division Board of Control (SDBOC) was held in-person and via conference call, and was called to order by Chairman Simpson on, September 12, 2023, at 1:31 PM. Present in addition to Chairman Simpson were Directors Kevin Golob, Paul Groeneweg, and Dave Michels; Lori Brady, SDBOC Secretary/Treasurer, Ron Cowin, Assistant Manager- Engineering, Dave Bos, Assistant Manager- Operations, and Nikki Musson, SDBOC Deputy Treasurer/Office Manager; and Larry Martin, Legal Counsel for the Sunnyside Division Board of Control. Also in attendance was Chris Perra (Yakima Nation Fish Biologist), Kelly Clayton (Yakima Nation Fish Biologist), Toby Kock (USGS Fish Biologist), Pat Monk (BOR Fish Biologist), Walt Larrick (YBJB Fish Biologist), and Joel Hubble (YBJB Fish Biologist).

The minutes of the August 8, 2023, Board Meeting were reviewed. Upon a motion by Director Golob that was seconded and unanimously carried, the minutes were approved.

Mr. Perra, and Ms. Clayton gave a presentation on the NOAA funding for infrastructure and how it could pertain to the Sunnyside Dam. The Board asked for a draft of the narrative for funding before a letter of support would be considered.

Mr. Kock, Mr. Monk, Mr. Larrick, and Mr. Hubble gave a presentation on the results of the Smolt Survival Study that had been completed over the last 4 years and showed results of smolt entrainment due to the new installed fish guidance system.

The guests left the meeting at 2:15 pm.

The Board reviewed the monthly financial reports and vouchers numbered 6009-6023 in the total amount of \$451,319.37 which were submitted for approval. A motion was made by Director Michels which was seconded and unanimously carried, authorizing payment of the vouchers as listed above.

Ms. Musson informed the Board on the SDBOC 2022 Financial Statement Audit. Exit conference was held August 22<sup>nd</sup>. The audit was issued an unmodified opinion on Federal Statements and Federal Awards. The 2022 Accountability Audit will start this fall.


Mr. Bos presented the water supply report. As of September 11, 2023. Storage in the mountain reservoirs is at 220,017 AF or 21% of capacity. Storage content is 52.9% of average. Precipitation for the water year to date is 162.80 inches or 73% of average. SVID is diverting 886 cfs. The BOR went on storage control on June 1, 2023, and the proration is at 73%.

The recommended shutoff date will begin on October 18<sup>th</sup> and will conclude on October 20<sup>th</sup>. Due to a tight construction schedule staff has recommended an early shutoff date of lateral 32.77 on Thursday October 16<sup>th</sup>. A motion was made by Director Michels which was seconded, and unanimously carried, authorizing the District shutoff date of October 18<sup>th</sup> with an early shutoff date for the specified lateral of October 16<sup>th</sup>.

Mr. Cowin updated the Board on ELIPS. The ELIPS piping materials continue to be delivered to the warehouse and pipe yards. All of the materials have been delivered except for the 2" butterfly valves.

Ms. Brady provided the Board with the 2024 SDBOC and the RSBOJC budgets for discussion and approval will take place at the next scheduled meetings.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:33 PM.

  
Lori Brady, Secretary

Attest:

  
G. Douglas Simpson, Chairman