Regular Meeting Minutes

Klamath Project Drought Response Agency Special Board Meeting May 6, 2020 2:00 pm

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Marc Staunton, the President, called the Special scheduled Board of Directors meeting of the Klamath Project Drought Response Agency (KPDRA) to order on Wednesday, May 6, 2020, at 2:05 pm via the on-line conference platform called Zoom.

ROLL CALL

Directors Present: Marc Staunton, Luther Horsley, Paul Crawford, Rob Unruh, Luke Robison, and Mike McKoen Guests: Gene Souza, Moss Driscoll, Mark Van Camp, Chelsea Shearer, Paul Simmons, Bill Ganong, Kyle Knutson, Casey Lander, Laurie Askew, Ritch Deitchman, Jeff Payne, Brad Kirby, and Nathan Ratliff Media Presence: Holly Dillemuth with Herald & News

<u>Discussion of Current Water Supply Conditions</u>

Moss Driscoll stated that the May forecasts have come out and the Project has a disaster on hand. There was 140 TAF for the Project prior, which has now declined to 100 TAF. Paul Simmons, along with Jeff Payne (regional manager of KBAO), stated we had other options that KWUA is pursuing and how their lobbyists are trying to rally congress for funds to help mitigate the year.

Kyle stated that there had been 127 Drought mitigation applications submitted for roughly 9,600 acres. Approximately 7,000 in TID Partial season with 1,800 acres, which are primarily in KDD and KID. There is 11 application on the focused well program. The board discussed having a 4th program with a cut off date to stop watering by the following day. This will help gain more acres. Motion: To approve counsel and MBK staff to do another partial season program, based upon the previously approved drought response programs, for those who had irrigated after March 1, but not after May 5, 2020.

Motion by: Mike McKoen

Second: Luther Horsley

Motion Carried.

The board set a special meeting for May 11 at 2 pm.

Being no further business, the meeting was adjourned the meeting at 3:15 pm.

Motion: To adjourn the meeting.

Motion by: Rob Unruh

Second: Jerry Enman

Motion Carried.

Minutes prepared by Chelsea Shearer

Approved: Marc Staunton_

President

Approved: Rob Unruh