

# **Regular Board of Directors Meeting**

Wednesday, August 13, 2025 at 9:00 am

## **MEETING LOCATION**

530 S. Melendres Las Cruces, NM 88005

# **VIRTUAL MEETING DETAILS**

https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87218018839?pwd=K9yAXbbcawH6CesOv9AaQMw6vXAB7t.1

# **OPEN SESSION**

- 1. Invocation
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance
- 3. Introduction of Guests
- 4. Recognition of Service

J. Smith

Charles P. Gray, Equipment Operator - Drain Crew: 5 Years Nicolas I. Garris-Heath, Equipment Operator - Basic: 5 Years

- 5. Approval of Agenda
- 6. Approval of Board Minutes
  - a. Regular Scheduled Board Meeting July 9, 2025

## **PRESENTATIONS**

7. National Fish and Wildlife Foundation (NFWF)

Kirstin Neff

Funding Update

8. Bureau of Reclamation

Michelle Estrada Lopez

Update on Middle Rio Grande Operations and El Vado

# STAFF REPORT

- 9. Water Resource
  - P. King / J. Narvaez
    - a. Weather/Runoff Forecast
- 10. General & Administrative
  - K. Byrum / J. Franzoy
    - a. Financial Report

- Approval of Professional Services Contract for Expert Witness and Consulting Services - Dr. Phil King
- c. Approval of Professional Services Contract for Expert Witness and Consulting Services Dr. KC Carroll
- d. Approval of Professional Services Contract for Hydrologic Engineering Services Libbin Underwood Engineering & Surveying
- e. Approval of Professional Services Contract for Legal Services Personnel Kennedy, Moulton, & Wells, P.C.
- f. EQIP Application Approval

## 11. Manager's Update

J. Smith

#### 12. Calendar of Events

- J. Smith
- NM Legislative Water and Natural Resources Interim Committee Meeting: August 18-19, 2025 in Las Cruces, NM
- Special Board Meeting: August 21, 2025 at 1:00 PM, EBID Office
- New Mexico Water Law Conference: September 11-12, 2025 in Santa Fe, NM (travel approved 7/9/25 4 board members attending)
- Coalition of Rio Grande Water Users Conference: September 30-October 2, 2025 in Santa Fe, NM (request travel approval)
- 70th Annual NM WRRI Annual Water Conference: October 21-23, 2025 in Las Cruces, NM
- SAVE THE DATE: EBID Board Election 12/2/2025

#### 13. HR/Safety Update

D. Maciel / J. Smith

#### 14. Engineering/Maintenance

A. Rubio / L. Barrett

a. Maintenance/Projects Update

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### 15. Land Use Committee Report

P.K. Colquitt III

- 16. Discussion and Approval of Policy 1997-ENG10 Relinquishment of EBID Property Interests
  J. Smith / D. Lutz
- 17. Potential Approval to Lift Moratorium on Land Transfers Resolution 2025-11
- 18. Discussion and Approval of Right of Use Policy Amendment, Procedure for Variance Requests

J. Smith / D. Lutz

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#### 19. Status of Inter-Governmental MOU's

D. Lutz / J. Smith

#### 20. Board Rules and Ethics Committee Report

G. Daviet

# **CONSENT AGENDA**

#### 21. Approval of Consent Agenda

S. Gamboa

The Board will be asked to approve by one motion the following items of recurring or routine business:

EBID Engineering recommends approval of 25 ROU Licenses. Two ROU Licenses are requesting land use fees to be waived due to agriculture use.

- 1 LCL Holdings, LLC / Tharp New installation of 6" forcemain pipe parallelling the outside right bank of the Mesilla Drain / 2nd Review
- 15 Comcast Cable New aerial fiber optic lines crossing multiple EBID ROWs
- 7 Comcast Cable New buried fiber optic lines crossing multiple EBID ROWs
- 1 L+D Farming / David & Mary Wofford Existing culvert crossing the Mesilla Drain Requesting land use fee to be waived due to agriculture use.
- 1 Organic Pecan Co. / Dr. Todd Parco Existing culvert crossing the Hatch Drain Requesting land use fee to be waived due to agriculture use.
- 1) 2025-L-093 LCL HOLDINGS, LLC / THARP / 2ND REVIEW
- 2) 2025-L-112 COMCAST / MTC
- 3) 2025-L-113 COMCAST / MTC
- 4) 2025-L-115 COMCAST / MTC
- 5) 2025-L-116 COMCAST / MTC
- 6) 2025-L-117 COMCAST / MTC
- 7) 2025-L-119 COMCAST / MTC
- 8) 2025-L-120 COMCAST / MTC
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- 13) 2025-L-128 COMCAST / MTC
- 14) 2025-L-129 COMCAST / MTC
- 15) 2025-L-130 COMCAST / MTC
- 16) 2025-L-131 L+D FARMING / DAVID & MARY WOFFORD
- 17) 2025-L-132 COMCAST / MTC
- 18) 2025-L-133 COMCAST / MTC
- 19) 2025-L-134 COMCAST / MTC
- 20) 2025-L-135 COMCAST / MTC
- 21) 2025-L-137 COMCAST / MTC
- 22) 2025-L-138 COMCAST / MTC
- 23) 2025-L-139 COMCAST / MTC
- 24) 2025-L-140 COMCAST / MTC
- 25) 2025-L-141 ORGANIC PECAN COMPANY / DR. TODD PARCO

# **CLOSED SESSION**

#### 22. Legal Update

- a. Texas v. NM (USSC)
- b. Discussion regarding purchase, acquisition, or disposal of real property or water rights
- c. Discussion regarding issuance, suspension, renewal or revocation of a license

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## pertaining to use of EBID Property

- d. Limited Personnel Matters
- e. Other Threatened/Pending Litigation
- f. Motion to come out of closed session

# **ADJOURNMENT**

# 23. Motion to Adjourn

In accordance with the Elephant Butte Irrigation District resolution directing compliance with Open Meetings Act, a final version of the agenda will be available 72 hours in advance of the meeting at the EBID office at 530 S Melendres, Las Cruces, NM; and will be emailed to persons making a specific request for the final agenda by calling EBID's office 575-993-2429.

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