# PANOCHE WATER DISTRICT MEETING MINUTES SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS November 2, 2021, at 9:00 A.M.

A meeting of the Board of Directors was held jointly with the Grassland Basin Authority Board of Directors at San Luis Water District, 1015 6<sup>th</sup> St., Los Banos, CA 93635. Those present at the meeting were:

Directors Present:

John Bennett, President Mike Stearns, Secretary Michael Linneman, Director

Steve Fausone, Director

**Directors Absent:** 

Ross Koda, Director

District Staff Present:

Ara Azhderian, General Manager

Others Present:

Aaron Barcellos, Grassland Basin Authority
David Cory, Grassland Basin Authority
Tom Teixeira, Grassland Basin Authority
Kevin Hurd, Grassland Basin Authority
Palmer McCoy, Grassland Basin Authority
Gabriela Munoz, Grassland Basin Authority
Jeff Bryant, Firebaugh Canal Water District
Steve Smith, Firebaugh Canal Water District
Darcy Villers, Firebaugh Canal Water District
Dan McCurdy, Firebaugh Canal Water District

Steve Stadler, San Luis Water District

# ANNOUNCEMENT PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54952.3

Pursuant to the Brown Act, President Bennett announced that Directors do not receive compensation or a stipend for simultaneous or serial order meetings of Panoche Water District, Panoche Drainage District, Panoche Financing Authority, and/or the Panoche Resource Conservation District.

## **CALL TO ORDER**

President Bennett called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m.

### **REVIEW OF AGENDA**

There were no changes to the Agenda.

## **ROLL CALL**

A quorum of the Board and presence of the District's Officers were confirmed.

# **POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**

There were no conflicts reported.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment.

# THE BOARD TO MEET WITH OTHER MEMBERS OF THE GRASSLAND BASIN AUTHORITY TO DISCUSS ONGOING TRANSITION OF THE SAN JOAQUIN RIVER WATER QUALITY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

Grassland Basin Authority President Barcellos made opening remarks and reviewed the topics for discussion, including operation of wells, ownership of property, facilities, and equipment, administration of grants, and decision making on matters that impact the SJRIP. Members of the boards shared ideas and perspectives on how to further and improve transition of the management of the SJRIP from the Panoche Drainage District to the GBA, with particulate emphasis on ensuring accountability and efficiency. After discussion, the Panoche Board agreed to take the matters up for further consideration at their next regular meeting.

# **FUTURE MEETING DATES**

The next regular meeting of the Board was scheduled for November 9, 2021, at 9:00 a.m.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business on the Agenda, President Bennett adjourned the meeting at 11:09 a.m.

John Bertrett, President

Mike Stearns, Secretary