

**DON PEDRO RECREATION AGENCY
BOARD OF CONTROL - DON PEDRO PROJECT
APPROVED MINUTES
February 21, 2025**

CALL TO ORDER: 10:00 a.m.

VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT: Ron Macedo – Turlock Irrigation District (TID)
Janice Keating – Modesto Irrigation District (MID)
Margaret Hannaford – City & County of San Francisco (CCSF)

OTHERS PRESENT: Ryan Reis – DPRA, Department Manager
Brad Koehn – DPRA, General Manager
Brannon Gomes – DPRA, Recreation Division Manager
Jim McCoy – DPRA, Recreation Division Manager
Rebecca Dack – DPRA, Administrative Assistant
Sara Lima – DPRA, General Counsel
Brooke Rohrer – Suntex, General Manager

CALL TO ORDER

Director Macedo called the meeting to order at 10:00am.

MOTION APPROVING CONSENT CALENDAR

All matters listed hereunder will be acted upon by a single vote of the Board. There will be no individual discussion of these items unless a member of the Board or the public so requests, in which event the matter shall be removed from the Consent Calendar and considered as a separate agenda item

1. Approval of minutes of the regular meeting of January 24, 2025. Copies are on file at Don Pedro Headquarters

Director Hannaford motioned to approve the consent calendar. Director Keating seconded the motion. Motion carries.

DISCUSSION OF ANY ACTION ITEM REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR

There were no items removed from the consent calendar.

SUNTEX UPDATE

Suntex General Manager, Brooke Rohrer, provided an update regarding Suntex operations. She noted dock repairs have been completed at Moccasin from last months' storm damage. She provided an update regarding completed maintenance for Fleming, noting the tire line in front of the private marina has been fixed, 3 bins of old cable has been removed from the shorelines around the private marina and Fleming parking lots, and the broken tiles on the marina have been replaced. Ms. Rohrer provided an update regarding projects and maintenance for Moccasin stating they will be removing cable as the water level fluctuates. She included that respacing of mooring lines in A- and B-lines have been mapped and several balls have been adjusted with the front of A-line being the remaining line to be completed with an estimated completion of March 7, 2025. Ms. Rohrer provided an update regarding projects and maintenance for Fleming stating they are removing cables as water levels fluctuate, they will be removing the old headwalk in Gilman, the new motor repair shop is estimated to be complete by April 15, 2025 but may get pushed back by a few weeks, they will be replacing dock lights, missing broken cleats and dock boards, and the re-anchoring of the marina is in progress.

Ms. Rohrer gave an overview of the potential maintenance and capex projects for Moccasin, stating they will be painting and numbering buoy balls which will likely start in spring due to the weather temperature. She noted for Fleming they will be painting and numbering buoy balls, upgrading the Café and Ship Store which would start after season, painting the exterior of the Ship Store, adding an additional restroom, work barge repairs and refurbishment, and remodeling the service yard restrooms.

Director Reis made a note to the Board regarding the floating restroom at the right hand side of the D-Dock that would hook up to the current pump out system. This would be additional, not a replacement. Director Reis is working with legal regarding the requirements for approving the addition.

There was discussion regarding the purchase of an underwater camera to check the buoy lines, currently do not have timelines, but will provide an update as available. There was also discussion regarding potential shade options at the upgraded ship store, as well as discussion regarding the last storm.

FISCAL REPORT

Brannon Gomes, Recreation Division Manager, provided projected revenue for January 2025 expected to be \$370,000 compared to the actual revenue for January 2024 at \$362,971. He provided projected operations expenses for January 2025 at \$313,452 compared to actual expenses in January 2024 at \$338,243. He noted that has been no capital expenses so far for 2025 and January 2024's capital expenses were \$93,058.

Director Reis noted that the increase in revenues is due to sales that usually come at the end of the year, but people are waiting because of the golden mussel as well as additional business due to nearby lakes closing such as fishing tournaments.

SALMON AND TROUT HATCHING

Brannon Gomes, Recreation Division Manager, provided an overview of the salmon and trout hatching noting on January 16, 2025, 15 homeschool students attended DPRA's "Salmon in the Classroom" presentation. He stated the trout eggs arrived on February 18, 2025 and are currently waiting for them to hatch, and a fish dissection class is scheduled for March with the homeschool group that will be taught by Mr. Maloney, TID's aquatic biologist. He noted the dissection class will be for 6th grade through high school and for the younger age groups, which are usually done on a digital projector and will be explored for future classes.

Director Macedo inquired as to whether or not this will be implemented and possibly expanded for the new Visitor Center. Director Reis noted DPRA is currently working with the design team to plan for the new Visitor Center.

Director Hannaford noted CCSF is interested in educational outreach and appreciate DPRA moving forward with these programs.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Director Reis provided an update regarding FEMA 2022-2023 storms noting DPRA has been reimbursed \$9,700 so far for storm 1 and are anticipating 93-94% reimbursement of the \$3MM.

Director Reis informed the Board DPRA is working to schedule the fireworks show for Friday, July 4, 2025.

He provided an overview regarding food vendors at the Snack Shack for the on-season for 2025. He stated DPRA is in the RFP process with TID Purchasing and expect to have bids awarded by mid-April, 2025. He noted a start date of May 10, 2025. Director Macedo inquired about revenue share and Director Reis noted that is up for negotiation as DPRA is still waiting to see what kind of interest. There will be some kind of revenue share, it will be a matter of whether or not it is a flat rate or a percentage. Director Macedo noted he would recommend reaching out to the County Fair to see how they determine revenue share.

Director Reis provided an update regarding the BAM Tour Sponsorship. Suntex and Visit Tuolumne County at \$7,500 so far. He noted DPRA is working with legal to determine which types of business for sponsorship specifically breweries, etc. Directors Hannaford and Keating noted DPRA is a family place so they have concerns with cannabis sponsorships.

There was discussion regarding the tier options for sponsorships. Director Macedo recommended places to reach out to for sponsorships. Director Reis noted DPRA is first focusing on local partners of DPRA and anyone who has already been supportive of the Agency. He noted TID, MID and CCSF are already sponsoring the event by hosting it. Director Keating requested to have DPRA tag MID in posts on social media.

Director Reis also provided an update regarding reservations, occupancy and cancellations noting reservations were down slightly in January 2025 compared to January 2024, but occupancy was up for the same timeframe. Director Hannaford noted that it may be more helpful to provide a quarterly update to get a better picture of what the year will look like.

Director Reis provided an update regarding the golden mussel with a list of the lakes that are currently closed, those lakes that have changed operations and the nearby lakes that currently have no changes. Director Reis noted that right now, there is no direction for DPRA to close at this time.

Director Koehn noted there is risk in the operations at this point, but there is no clear mitigation of that risk or if it any mitigation lowers the risk. He also noted at what point the restrictions would be lifted once implemented. Director Hannaford noted CCSF is going to be monitoring at the lakes.

MATTERS TO THE GOOD OF THE AGENCY

Director Macedo opened Matters to the Good to the public attendees, no discussion took place.

CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR *Closed Session*

Director Keating motioned to adjourn to closed session, Director Hannaford seconded motion, motion carried and the Board adjourned to closed session at 10:45am.

REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

The Board reconvened after closed session at 11:28am. Director Macedo noted no action was taken in closed session.

ADJOURNMENT

Director Hannaford motioned to adjourn, Director Keating seconded and due to no further business, the Board adjourned at 11:28 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Ryan Reis
Secretary to Board of Control

Copies to: Messrs. Hannaford, Mazurkiewicz, Williams, Edwards
 Messrs. Fernandes, Macedo, Koehn
 Messrs. Keating, Franco, Wenger