

INTERNATIONAL OSOYOOS LAKE BOARD OF CONTROL

Conference Call

September 13, 2016, 9:00 – 11:00 AM PDT

BOARD MEMBERS

Cindi Barton	Chair, U.S. Section
Bruno Tassone	Chair, Canadian Section
John Arterburn	Board Member, U.S. Section
Col. John Buck	Board Member, U.S. Section
Kris Kauffman	Board Member, U.S. Section
Ford Waterstrat	Board Member, U.S. Section
Glen Davidson	Board Member, Canadian Section
Sue McKortoff	Board Member, Canadian Section
Brian Symonds	Board Member, Canadian Section
Anna Warwick Sears	Board Member, Canadian Section

BOARD STAFF and BOARD MEMBER ASSISTANTS

Marijke van Heeswijk	Secretary, U.S. Section
Gwyn Graham	Secretary, Canadian Section
Sara Marxen	Technical Assistant to Col. John Buck

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Meeting was led by the U.S. Chair; meeting agenda was accepted as is.

DECISION ITEMS

The Board approved the summary of the June 14, 2016, conference call. The summary will be posted on the Board website.

The Board approved the April 8, 2016, presentation that Brian Symonds gave to the BC Water Supply Association. The presentation will be posted on the Board website.

2016 ANNUAL BOARD AND PUBLIC MEETINGS

The Board finalized the draft agendas for the annual Board and public meetings that will take place on September 20, 2016. The Board reviewed the Board and public meeting presentations about hydrologic conditions and compliance with the Order, and the board reviewed the outline of the presentation on transboundary cooperative water management that will be presented during the public meeting.

IJC FALL SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING, OCTOBER 2016

Two U.S. Section Board members plan to attend the October 24-28 IJC Fall semi-annual meeting in Ottawa, ON. One or more Canadian Section Board members plan to attend, subject to availability of IJC travel support.

BOARD REPRESENTATION ON THE IJC CLIMATE CHANGE FRAMEWORK WORKING GROUP

The IJC has formed a climate change framework working group and is developing the group membership. Suggestions for membership by Board representatives and one agency representative have been forwarded to the IJC for its consideration.

NEXT MEETING

The Board holds its next quarterly conference call on December 13. The following were suggested as agenda items for that meeting: 1) discussion of Osoyoos Lake water-use management in BC; 2) discussion of whether more stage data should be collected at Zosel Dam to help improve the hydraulic model the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers recently developed to help the Applicant operate Zosel Dam.

STATUS OF ACTION ITEMS

1. **Completed; model turned over to Ecology in April 2016:** Ecology will develop an operations model for Zosel Dam with assistance of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. -- Sara
2. **In progress:** Board Secretaries will investigate possibility of adding webcams to Zosel Dam. -- Marijke
3. **Completed and mailed to Ecology:** Secretaries will draft letter to Ecology with ramping rate advice for Board review
4. **Completed:** Canadian Secretary will provide the Board a comparative assessment of Okanagan Lake level trends for 2016 and 2015.
5. **Completed:** U.S. Secretary will provide the Board with detailed water-supply forecasts for the Similkameen River at Nighthawk for the remainder of the summer.
6. **Completed:** The Secretaries will post the summary of the March 2016 conference call on the board website after seeking IJC approval for posting.
7. **Pending response from IJC:** Secretaries will request IJC travel funds for Board members who would like to attend the fall semi-annual meeting in Ottawa, ON
8. **Completed:** The Secretaries will finalize the September 20 annual Board meeting agenda and provide briefing materials in advance of the meeting. They will also plan a Board field trip for September 21.
9. **Completed:** The Board will review the presentation that Brian Symonds gave to the BC Water Supply Association on April 8, 2016. Following Board approval, the presentation will be posted on the Board website.
10. **Completed:** As an FYI only, Secretaries will inform the IJC of possible reactivation of Enloe Dam.
11. **Completed:** The Secretaries will ask the documentary maker if he can give a brief presentation during the annual Board meeting on September 20.

12. **Completed:** Secretaries or local Board members will ask local papers if they can write a story to help promote the September 20 public meeting. Possible topics are 1) progress report by film maker (if available) and 2) presentation on informal agreement regarding bi-national sharing of water stored in Osoyoos Lake during times of drought or water shortage.

NEW ACTION ITEMS

None.