

# RESOLUTION NO. <u>2017</u>-02 BEFORE THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE RIVERDALE IRRIGATION DISTRICT

WHEREAS, the Riverdale Irrigation District currently conducts its elections for members of its Board of Directors in November of odd-numbered years (e.g., November 2017); and

WHEREAS, the Board believes that rescheduling to even-numbered year elections may enhance voter participation and save the District significant costs in conducting elections; and

WHEREAS, it is considered the view of the Board that starting with the 2020 Board Elections, the public interests will be better served by election of its Board Members in even-numbered year elections, held in conjunction with the Statewide general elections; and

WHEREAS, the Board desires to change the date of future Board Member Elections to be consolidated with the California Statewide general election in order to increase and enhance voter participation; and

WHEREAS, Elections Code 10404 provides that a special district may change its elections to be held in even-numbered years by adopting a resolution related to the same; and

WHEREAS, the District Board desires that the new election date be moved from November of odd-numbered years to November of even-numbered years commencing in 2020 with Board Members whose terms would have expired in 2019 being extended to 2020, and Board Members whose terms would have expired in 2021 being extended to 2022.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that:

- 1. The above recitals are true and correct.
- 2. The undersigned, constituting at least a majority of the Members of the Riverdale Irrigation District governing Board, do hereby adopt this resolution to consolidate the election date for Members of its Board of Directors with the State general election in November of even-numbered years, beginning in 2020. Attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference as <a href="Exhibit "A" is list of the Board of Directors Divisions and their proposed election year.">Exhibit "A" is list of the Board of Directors Divisions and their proposed election year.</a>
- The District shall cause a copy of this Resolution to be delivered to the Fresno County, County Clerk's/Registrar of Voters.

- 4. Upon approval by the Fresno County Board of Supervisors, the terms of office of current Board Members expiring in November 2019 will be extended to November 2020, and the terms of Board Members expiring in November 2021 will be extended to November 2022.
- The District Board Chairman and/or his designee, is authorized to take such 5. actions and execute such agreements and documentation as are necessary to affect the intent of this Resolution.
- The Board of Directors incorporates herein as Exhibit "B", the dates and 6. procedures for the election of the Board of Directors of the Riverdale Irrigation District.

following vote:

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Ayes: Directors	Acquistapace,	Fontes and	Hodson
Noes: None			
Abstained: None			
Absent: None			
Dated: <u>July 5</u> , 2017	RIVERDA	LE IRRIGATION I	DISTRICT

Leonard Acquistapace, Chairman

CERTIFICATION
I, Kim Mayfield, clerk of the Board of Directors of the Riverdale Irrigation District, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was proposed by Board Member, seconded by Board Member, and was duly passed and adopted by majority of the Members of said Board, at an official and public meeting thereof held on July 5, 2017.

Kim Mayfield

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## EXHIBIT "A"

# RIVERDALE IRRIGATION DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS

BOARD MEMBERS	CURRENT ELECTION YEAR	PROPOSED ELECTION YEAR
Division (1) – Tony Fontes	2019	2020
Division (2) – Leonard Acquistap	ace 2021	2022
Division (3) – Ralph Hodson	2021	2022

#### Exhibit B

### Dates and Procedures for the Election of Board members

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(All section references are to the Elections Code.)

- 1. No later than 125 days before the date of the general election, the District secretary shall deliver a notice of election to the County elections office listing the elective offices to be filled, specifying which offices, if any, are for the balance of an unexpired term and whether the District or the candidate is to pay for the publication of a statement of qualifications under section 13307. A map of the District must accompany the notice. (§§ 10509, 10522.)
- 2. Between the 120th and 90th day before the date of the general election, the County elections official will publish, one time, a notice of election in a newspaper of general circulation containing the date of the election, the offices to be filled, qualifications for candidacy required by the principal act, where nomination papers are available, the deadline for filing declarations for candidacy, and a notice that appointment will be made in lieu of election in accordance with law. (§12112.)
- 3. Between the 113th and 88th day before the date of the general election, candidates for the District's Board may obtain and file their declarations of candidacy along with their candidate's statement of qualifications if they choose to submit one.(§§ 10510, 10511, 13307, 13311.)
- 4. If an incumbent member of the Board does not file a declaration of candidacy by 5:00 p.m. on the 88th day before the date of the general election, any person other than the incumbent may file a declaration of candidacy by 5:00 p.m. on the 83rd day before the date of the general election. (§§ 10407, sub. (b), 10516, sub. (b).
- 5. If, by 5:00 p.m. on the 83rd day before the date of the general election: (1) only one person has filed a declaration of candidacy for any position to be filled on the Board; or (2) no one has filed a declaration of candidacy for such office; the County Board of Supervisors may appoint a person to the position. (§ 10515.)
- 6. On the 82nd day before the date of the general election, the Secretary of State shall conduct the randomized alphabet at 11:00 a.m. to determine the order in which the Board candidates will appear on the general election ballot. (§ 13112.)
- 7. Between the 57th and 14th day before the date of the general election, write in candidates must file their statement of write-in candidacy and nomination Papers with the County elections official. (§ 8601.)
- 8. Between the 2nd and 30th day after the date of the general election, the official canvass of the returns is to be completed. (§§ 10547- 10549, 15300 et seq.)

If there is any future amendment of the Elections Code provisions identified above, the amended provisions are applicable. Where the dates described above are inconsistent with those provided in the Elections Code for the statewide general elections, the dates for statewide general elections are controlling.

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August 16, 2017

County of Fresno County Clerk/Registrar of Voters Rachel Lopez, Elections Operations 2221 Kern St. Fresno, CA 93721

Dear Ms. Lopez,

Enclosed is Resolution No. 2017-02 requesting to change the elections for board members from odd-numbered years to even-numbered years.

Sincerely,

Kim Mayfield, Secretary