1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8	MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE SABINE RIVER AUTHORITY STATE OF LOUISIANA BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS CYPRESS BEND RESORT CONFERENCE CENTER 2000 CYPRESS BEND DRIVE MANY, LA 71449 11:00AM THURSDAY DECEMBER 5 <sup>th</sup> , 2019	
9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 22	MEMBERS PRESENT:	Mr. Ned Goodeaux, Chairman Mr. Stanley Vidrine, Vice-Chairman Mrs. Estella Scott, Secretary(late) Mr. Norman Arbuckle Mr. Daniel Cupit Mr. Jeremy Evans(late) Mr. James Foret, Jr Mr. Byron Gibbs Mr. Shane Jeane(late) Mr. Therman Nash Mr. Mike McCormic Mrs. Dayna Yeldell
23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32	MEMBERS ABSENT: OTHERS PRESENT:	Mr. Valmore Byles Warren Founds, III, Executive Dir-SRA, Many, LA Becky Anderson, Adm Asst 5-SRA, Many, LA Mike Carr, Fac. Maint. Mgr 3-SRA, Many, LA Kellie Ferguson, Adm Prog Dir 3-SRA, Many, LA Gene Guidry, PE-SRA, Many, LA There were (16) visitors.
33 34	Mr. Goodeaux called the meeting to order. Mr. Nash offered the Prayer and Mr. Goodeaux led the Pledge. The roll was called and it was noted that Mr. Byles was	
35	absent; however, a quorum was established.	
36		l if there were any additions or deletions to the circulated
37	agenda. Mrs. Anderson stated that staff requested to amend the agenda under New	
38	Business, Item #2-Irrigation Gate Repair SRD-Mr. Carr to present. Mr. Goodeaux asked	
39	for a motion to amend and a	dopt the circulated agenda? Mr. Gibbs moved, seconded by
40	Mrs. Yeldell to and amend the agenda adding under New Business, Item #2-	
41	Irrigation Gate Repair SRD and to adopt the amended agenda. Motion carried	
42	unanimously.	
43	Mr. Goodeaux stated	d that the minutes of the October 24, 2019 meeting were in the
44	packet and asked for a motion to approve the minutes if there were no corrections.	
45	Mrs. Yeldell moved, seconded by Mr. McCormic to approve the minutes of the	
46	Board meeting of October	24 <sup>th</sup> , 2019. Motion carried unanimously.

STAFF REPORTS: Item #1-TBPJO- Power House Operations: Mr. Guidry 1 2 stated that generation was made in October and November to provide for downstream 3 flow to diversion canals for SRA-TX and SRA-LA. He stated that both Units generated 4 1195 MWH for October and 888 MWH for November. He continued that the Unit #1 Bi-Annual Outage from September 11<sup>th</sup> through October 29<sup>th</sup> is complete and Unit #2 5 available for downstream flows. He stated that the trash rack replacements are complete, 6 7 wicket gate inspection was done, runner-hub inspection for oil leaks and none were 8 found, thrust bearing housing cleaned, thrust bearing coolers replaced, roller chain for 9 Intake Gate #1 was replaced, generator coolers had new heads installed and tested, and 10 Unit #1 upgrades to Control, vibration monitoring and Governor was done. He stated that the Static Exciter was installed in Unit #1 November 4<sup>th</sup> through 18<sup>th</sup>. He stated that 11 the Static Exciter for Unit #2 is scheduled to be installed December 2<sup>nd</sup> through 16<sup>th</sup>. 12 Reservoir Levels/Status: He stated that the reservoir level at the beginning of October 13 was 165.08'msl and was at 164.91'msl on November 25<sup>th</sup>. He continued that the 14 15 generators were used to provide downstream flows to the Sabine River and Diversion 16 Canals. He stated that moving forward, plans are to generate as needed for downstream 17 flows-roughly one Unit 3hours every other day. Spillway Repairs: He stated that the 18 main spillway repair is approximately 90% complete. He stated that total paid to the contractor as of October 22<sup>nd</sup> was \$8,2888,431.00 or 86% of the contract. He stated that 19 the total paid to FNI for construction support services as of October 7th is \$242,280.00 or 20 21 59% of the contract. He stated that the contractor continues placing concrete on the apron, flow through 20" pipes to end on December 5th and installation of sluiceway 22 bulkhead to be done. He stated that the removal of the 20" pipes will be done and final 23 site cleanup. He stated that WES Schedule for Substantial Completion on December 13th 24 to make final checklist. He stated that flow to resume through the gates on/or before 25 December 20<sup>th</sup>. He stated that the FERC inspection is scheduled for January 8<sup>th</sup> 2020 and 26 the WES Schedule for Final Completion on January 13th 2020. DAM Repairs: He 27 28 stated that the soil cement repair has been completed by the TBJPO crew. 29 FERC/NERC/SERC: He stated that plans are underway for the 2020 FERC Tabletop 30 and Functional Exercise in which initial notification has been given to the Downstream 31 Sheriff Departments and OHSEP. He stated that the underdrain system of the spillway,

embankment and power house inspection will be done possibly by using CCTV if
 necessary, maintain/repair as needed. Certrec Corporation continues to provide support

3 to SRA-TX and SRA-LA for NERC/SERC/FERC Compliance Issues. Relief Wells: He

4 stated that Wells #16, #17, #18, and #19 working on automatic controls. He stated that

5 controller for Wells #17 and #19 are to be replaced on December 5<sup>th</sup> 2019.

Item #2-Shoreline: Staff continues to review the data collected to complete
identifying any encroachments. He stated that the total encroachments year-to-date is
120. Permitting Activity: Since October 23, 2018 eight (8) New structures have been
permitted; three (3) Transfers and one (1) water withdrawal transfer.

Item #3-Operational: Mr. Carr stated that the reports for SRD were circulated in the packet and he would be glad to answer questions. Toledo Bend Division: Mr. Carr stated that maintenance crews have been working on the Christmas lighting displays at Cypress Bend Park. Diversion Canal Division: He stated that the dredging project is complete except for grading and "dressing up" the areas and planting grass. He stated that reports from the staff at the project site stated that it is too wet due to all the rain and the tractors are "bogging" down.

17 **Item #4-Financial Report:** Mrs. Ferguson stated that the November Financial 18 Reports were circulated in the packet. She stated that for the Diversion Canal Division 19 total revenue was \$350,205.39; expenditures were \$245,442.43 for a profit of 20 \$104,762.96, and year-to-date shows a profit of \$962,409.27. She stated that for the 21 Toledo Bend Division total revenue was \$468,637.42; expenditures were \$423,651.91 22 with a profit of \$44,985.51, but year-to-date shows a loss of \$515,262.83. She stated that 23 she would like to thank the maintenance crew for putting up all the Christmas lighting displays in the park as well as other staff that had helped in some way. She continued 24 that there were 762 visitors to the park the first weekend. She stated that a fee of \$5 per 25 26 vehicle is being collected from those entering the park. She stated that the Christmas 27 Lighting displays will be lit every Thursday thru Sunday from 5:30pm until 9:00pm. Mr. Gibbs moved, seconded by Mr. Arbuckle to approve the Staff Reports as circulated 28 29 and presented. Motion carried unanimously.

1 SPECIAL REPORTS: Mr. Jim Mifflin, president of the TBCAC, he would like 2 to thank the Board of Commissioners, the Executive Director and all the SRA staff for a 3 job well done during the past year.

4 Mr. Goodeaux introduced the two State Senators attending the meeting Barry 5 Milligan and Louie Barnard as well as the two State Representatives attending Larry Bagley and Rodney Schamerhorn. He also recognized past SRA Executive Director Jim 6 7 Pratt, past SRA Commissioner C.A. Burgess and past SRA Commissioner Bobby 8 Williams. He also recognized the spouses of the Board Members that were present. He 9 thanked all those present for their continued support.

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PUBLIC COMMENTS: None.

## 11 **OLD BUSINESS: None**

12 **NEW BUSINESS: Item #1- Discuss Donation to the Toledo Bend/Zwolle** 

Historical Museum: Mr. Founds stated that in the meeting packet was an informational 14 report explaining the purpose of the museum and a timeline as to the target date to open 15 the museum. He stated that since the museum details the history and development of the 16 Toledo Bend Reservoir a request for a donation to help purchase the displays that 17 explain/show the Toledo Bend Reservoir is being made to help the "Friends of the Toledo 18 Bend/Zwolle Historical Museum" to help move this project forward. He continued that 19 the museum will include historical information about the Forestry/Logging Industry in 20 the area as well as the Town of Zwolle. He stated that the Forestry Industry and the 21 Town of Zwolle have contributed to the project. Mrs. Ferguson stated that an interagency 22 agreement to make the donation would be done with the Sabine Parish Tourist 23 Commission who is spearheading this project. Mr. Founds stated that the request is being 24 made for \$10,000.00 to purchase the materials for the displays. Mr. Gibbs moved, 25 seconded by Mr. McCormic to donate \$10,000.00 to the Toledo Bend/Zwolle 26 Historical Museum through an interagency agreement with the Sabine Parish **Tourist Commission and authorize the Executive Director to execute the necessary** 27 28 documents. Motion carried unanimously. 29 Item #2-Irrigation Gate Repair @ SRD: Mr. Carr stated that he would like to

30 recognize Mrs. Scott who has been a great advocate for the agency and all the employees 31 and would like for her to know that she is in our thoughts and prayers at this difficult 32 time. He stated that the gate that needs repair is one of those used for the agricultural

1	customers. He stated that the crew has tried to repair the gate to no avail and so it is	
2	recommended to hire a contractor to make the necessary repairs injecting poly grot. He	
3	stated that a request is being made in the amount of \$35,000.00 to be funded from major	
4	repairs. Mr. Cupit moved, seconded by Mrs. Scott to approve hiring a contractor to	
5	repair the irrigation gate at the Sabine Diversion Canal at the approximate cost of	
6	\$35,000.00 and authorize the Executive Director to execute the necessary	
7	documents. Motion carried unanimously.	
8	COMMITTEE REPORTS:	
9	1) Diversion Canal: No meeting.	
10	2) Parks: No meeting.	
11	3) Leaseback: No meeting.	
12	4) Finance: No meeting.	
13	5) Water Sales: No meeting.	
14	6) Fishery & Lake Management: No meeting.	
15	7) <b>TBPJO:</b> No meeting.	
16	LEGAL REPORT: Mr. Founds stated that the lawsuits continue.	
17	<b>EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:</b> Mr. Founds stated that a delegation	
18	had petitioned the FERC to consider making the lake level lower, but this request has	
19	been denied, stating that the petitioners have not presented any new evidence as reason to	
20	change current operations. Mr. Gibbs moved, seconded by Mr. Evans to approve the	
21	Executive Director's Report as presented. Motion carried unanimously.	
22	Mr. Goodeaux stated that the next meeting would be Thursday, January 23rd,	
23	2020 at 1:00pm at the Pendleton Bridge Office, Many, Louisiana.	
24	With no further business to discuss, Mr. Goodeaux asked for a motion to adjourn.	
25	Mr. Cupit moved, seconded by Mr. Arbuckle to adjourn. Motion carried	
26	unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 12:01p.m.	
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31 32	<b>STANLEY VIDRINE, VICE-CHAIRMAN</b>	
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35	ATTEST:	
36	ESTELLA SCOTT, SECRETARY	