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 BALLROOM 2000 CYPRESS BEND PARKWAY MANY, LA 71449 1:00PM THURSDAY, APRIL 25, 2024	
10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23	MEMBERS PRESENT:	Mr. Jeremy Evans, Chairman Mr. Kenneth Ebarb, Vice-Chairman Mr. Shane Jeane, Secretary Mrs. Rhonda Cupit Mr. Jimmy Foret, Jr Mr. Byron Gibbs Mr. Ned Goodeaux Mr. Mike McCormic Mr. Kevin Mitchell Mrs. Hannah Savell Mrs. Estella Scott Mr. Stanley Vidrine
24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32	MEMBERS ABSENT: OTHERS PRESENT:	Mr. Therman Nash  Warren Founds, Executive Director-SRA, Many, LA Becky Anderson, Adm Asst 5-SRA, Many, LA Kellie Ferguson, Adm Prog Dir 3-SRA, Many, LA Kim Ford, Adm Prog Mgr 3-SRA, Many, LA Alan Fulton, Eng. Tech 2-SRA, Many, LA Chad Strother, Land Specialist 3-SRA, Many, LA
33 34 35 36	Mr. Evans called the	There were twenty-one (21) visitors.  meeting to order. Mr. Vidrine offered the Prayer and Mrs.
37	Savell led the Pledge. The r	oll was called and it was noted that Mr. Nash was absent;
38	however, a quorum was esta	blished. Motion carried unanimously.
39	Mr. Evans asked for	a motion to adopt the agenda if there were no additions and
40	deletions. Mrs. Anderson st	ated that staff is requesting to amend the agenda under
41	Executive Session Item #2-	Perry Bonin, Ace Chandler, and Michael Manuel, ET AL vs
42	Sabine River Authority of T	exas and Sabine River Authority, State of Louisiana, Civil
43	Action No.1:19-CV-00527 I	Eastern District Court of Texas, Beaumont Division. Mr.
44	Foret moved, seconded by	Mr. Mitchell to amend the circulated agenda and to
45	adopt the amended agenda	a. Motion carried unanimously.
46	Mr. Evans stated that	t the minutes of the March 21, 2024 meeting were in the
47	packet and asked for a motion	on to approve the minutes of the meeting, if there were no
48	corrections. Mr. McCormic	e moved, seconded by Mr. Ebarb to approve the

## 1 circulated minutes of the Board meeting of March 21, 2024. Motion carried 2 unanimously. 3 **STAFF REPORTS: Item #1-TBPJO- Power House Operations**: Mr. Fulton stated that year-to-date thru April 16th, run hours were Unit #1-1,649 hrs. and Unit #2-4 1,457 hrs. He stated that total generation year-to-date thru April 16<sup>th</sup> is 116,949 MWH. 5 He stated that an update on the Power House Set Up Transformer Replacement Project no 6 7 new update. He continued that March through June we are obligated to run a minimum 8 of one unit for 3 hrs. starting at Noon every Saturday & Sunday. Reservoir 9 **Levels/Status:** He stated that the Toledo Bend Project Spillway Electrical 10 Improvements-Phase #1 has begun with the award of the bid for the installation of owner 11 furnished new 60kw backup generator, remote diesel fuel tank, and automatic transfer 12 switch has been circulated. He stated that Freese & Nichols recommend awarding the 13 project to Earnest P. Breaux in the amount of \$205,400 He stated that the average 14 reservoir level for as for March was 169.96'MSL. He stated that on April 1st the reservoir level was 170.01'MSL. He stated that on April 10<sup>th</sup>, there was a large rain event across 15 the basin and the reservoir level was 171.10'MSL. He stated that on April 11th, the first 16 17 Advisory was posted due to the reservoir level reaching 172.18'MSL explaining the 18 possibility of a "spill" due to the rise in the reservoir level and advisories continued 19 throughout the release. He stated that total water released was 928,000 CFS. 20 **FERC/NERC/SERC:** He stated that Certrec Corporation continues to provide support 21 to SRA-TX and SRA-LA for NERC/SERC/FERC compliance issues for Power House. He stated that the annual FERC inspection which was to be done on April 23<sup>rd</sup> & April 22 24th, 2024 was postponed and a new date has not been set. 23 24 **Item #2-Shoreline: Permitting Activity:** Mr. Strother stated that from March 14<sup>th</sup>, 2024 thru April 18<sup>th</sup>, 2024, there were (5) new structure permits, (4) 25 26 transferred structure permits, (1) new water withdrawal(s), (2) transferred water 27 withdrawals, (1) cancelled water withdrawal, (2) shoreline improvement (erosion 28 control/dredge), (7) approved final inspections and (0) failed final inspection. NORTH-29 **Converse area**: 1-new structures; 2-transferred structures; 0-transferred water 30 withdrawals and 0-cancelled water withdrawal. NORTH-Noble area: 0 new structures;

0-transferred structures; 0-new water withdrawal; 0-transferred water withdrawal and 0-

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1 cancelled water withdrawal; **NORTH-Zwolle area:** 1-new structures; 2-transferred 2 structure; 0-new water withdrawal; 1-transferred water withdrawal; 1- cancelled water 3 withdrawal. MID LAKE-Many area: 3-new structures; 1-transferred structures; 0-new 4 water withdrawal; 1-transferred water withdrawal; 0-cancelled water withdrawals; 0-5 shoreline improvements. **SOUTH-Florien: 0**-new structures; 1-transferred structures; 1new water withdrawal; 0-transferred water withdrawal and 0-cancelled water withdrawal. 6 7 **FLOWAGE EASEMENTS:** He stated that there was one encroachment correction 8 cleared by leaseback exception permit. **OTHER:** He stated that one sewage violation 9 was located (sprinkler heads on leaseback) at a new construction site and a final permit 10 will not be issued until this is corrected. 11 **Item #3-Operational: TOLEDO BEND:** Mr. Founds stated that Mr. Remedies 12 wasn't present because of a previously scheduled conference. He stated that his report 13 was included in the packet. Pleasure Point Overlay Project is still in the tree removal 14 stage. Exploring scopes of work for 6" sewer line at Cypress Bend Resort Conference 15 Center. The Crew has been working when weather permits on correcting boat lanes. 16 **SRD:** The bid for the fourth pump and motor for Pump Station #1 has been accepted, 17 Meyer & Associates are working to get this project moving forward. Staff has sent out a 18 purchase order number for the repair of Motor #1at Pump Station #3, to Dynamitic Drive 19 Source International, Inc. (bearing failure). The fencing contractor is working to 20 complete the remainder of our hurricane Laura damages to our fences at the main office 21 and Pump Station #1. SRA crew has removed 4 leaking irrigation gates and one levee 22 leak, and will continue levee repairs next month due to beaver damage. 23 **Financial Report:** Mrs. Ferguson stated that the total revenues for the Diversion 24 Canal Division for the month of March were \$487,530.89, expenses were \$366,567.77 25 leaving a profit of \$120,963.12. She stated that the year-to-day total revenues were 26 \$5,311,034.86; expenses were \$3,031,987.40 showing a profit of \$2,279,047.46. She 27 stated that revenues for the month of March for the Toledo Bend Division were 28 \$1,529,764.78, expenses were \$814,738.24 leaving a profit of \$715,026.54. She continued that the year-to-date totals were revenues \$7,716,960.78; expenses were 29 30 \$7,569,445.39 leaving a profit of \$147,515.39. **Mr. Foret moved, seconded by Mr.** 

2	unanimously.	
3	SPECIAL REPORTS: None.	
4	PUBLIC COMMENTS: Mr. Ted Dove addressed the Board in appreciation of	
5	SRA supporting the Bass Unlimited Banquet held by the Toledo Bend Lake Association	
6	which was deemed a success!	
7	There were three individuals that addressed the Board about an out-of-state water	
8	sale. Mr. Evans thanked them for expressing their concerns.	
9	OLD BUSINESS: Item #1: Investment Update by Hancock Whitney Bank -	
10	Jeff Tanguis: Mr. Tanguis, Hancock Whitney Bank representative, discussed a handout	
11	that was provided to each Board member. He stated that he was a managed account	
12	representative that helps to oversee the investments for SRA. He stated that the	
13	investment objective is to actively manage short term high quality, highly liquid	
14	investment portfolio compliant with Louisiana R.S. 33:2955. He stated that the current	
15	rate on the investments is 4.45%. He stated that the total of the accounts is	
16	\$25,317,645.76 as of March 31, 2024.	
17	NEW BUSINESS: None.	
18	COMMITTEE REPORTS:	
19	1) Diversion Canal: No meeting.	
20	2) Toledo Bend Division: No meeting.	
21	3) Parks: No Meeting.	
22	4) Finance: Mr. Goodeaux stated that the Committee had met April 24, 2024 to	
23	discuss the Capital Improvement Plan for SRD and the Budget for '24-'25 Fiscal	
24	Year. He stated that the Committee is recommending that the Board approve the	
25	request by staff to closeout Project #18-Bridge Crossings and to move the	
26	remaining \$166,609.01 to Project #7-SCADA Monitoring System as well as to	
27	delay Project #16 Repair/Paint/Pump Stations and Piping and move the remaining	
28	funds from this project to Project #19- New Pump (4th pump) at Pump Station #1.	
29	Mr. Goodeaux moved, seconded by Mr. Mitchell to approve closing out	
30	Project #18, move the remaining \$166,609.01 to Project #7 as well as to delay	
31	Project #16, move the remaining \$956,827.93 to Project #19. Motion carried	
32	unanimously. Mr. Goodeaux continued that the Budget for FY '24-'25 was	
33	circulated within the packet. Mr. Goodeaux moved, seconded by Mr. Vidrine	

Vidrine to approve staff reports as circulated and presented. Motion carried

1	to adopt the FY'24-'25 Budget as circulated and discussed. Motion carried	
2	unanimously.	
3	5) Cypress Bend Golf Resort: No meeting.	
4	6) Toledo Bend Project Operations: No meeting.	
5	LEGAL REPORT: Mr. Gibbs moved, seconded by Mr. Foret to move into	
6	executive session. Motion carried unanimously. Mr. Gibbs moved, seconded by Mr.	
7	Foret to re-convene from the executive session. Motion carried unanimously.	
8	<b>EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:</b> Mr. Founds stated that he had	
9	nothing to report.	
10	Mr. Evans stated that the next meeting would be Thursday, May 23, 2024, at	
11	1PM at Cypress Bend Resort Ballroom.	
12	With no further business to discuss, Mr. Evans asked for a motion to adjourn.	
13	Mrs. Cupit moved, seconded by Mr. McCormic to adjourn. Motion carried	
14	unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 2:19p.m.	
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16 17 18 19 20	JEREMY EVANS, CHAIRMAN	
21	KENNETH EBARB, VICE-CHAIRMAN	
22 23 24 25	ATTEST: SHANE JEANE, SECRETARY	