

Yolo County Flood Control & Water Conservation District

REVISED AGENDA Board Meeting Tuesday, April 6, 2004 7:00 P.M.

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REVISED AGENDA

- 7:00 Board Consideration:
 Minutes of March 2, 2004 Regular Board Meetings
- 7:02 Open forum; Guest Introductions and Unscheduled Appearances
 Opportunity for public comment on non-agenda items.
 Open forum will be limited to five minutes.
- 7:07 3. Board Consideration: Adding Items to the Posted Agenda.
 Items must fit one of the following categories:
 a. A majority determination that an emergency (as defined by the Brown Act) exists; or
 b. A 4/5ths determination that the need to take action arose subsequent to the agenda being posted.
- 7:08 4. Board Presentation:
 The Board will receive a presentation from representatives of WRIME (Water Resources & Information Management Engineering, Inc.) highlighting some of the data base tools that they have developed for information management.
- 7:35 5. Directors' Reports:
 Each member of the Board will have the opportunity to report on meetings and conferences attended during the prior month on behalf of the District.
- 7:45 6. Attorney's Report:
 The Board will receive a report from the Attorney regarding current legal and legislative activities.
- 7:55 7. General Manager's Report:
 The Board will receive a report from the General Manager regarding current selected general activities and projects of the District.

- 8:25 8. Operations and Maintenance Report:
The Board will receive a status report of the previous month's operation and maintenance activities.
- 8:30 9. Conjunctive Use and Infrastructure Improvements Initiative Report:
The Board will be updated on the status of its ongoing conjunctive use program.
- 8:43 10. Consulting Engineer's Report:
The Consulting Engineer will report on the status of the AB 303 Grant activities to development of a groundwater quality monitoring plan.
- 8:52 11. General Discussion:
Opportunity for Board members to ask questions for clarification, provide information to staff, request staff to report back on a matter, or direct staff to place a matter on a subsequent agenda.
- 8:56 12. Board Consideration:
The Board will consider moving the Regular Board meeting date so that it does not conflict with the ACWA Conference schedule.
- 8:59 13. Board Consideration: Approval and Payments of Bills
- 9:00 14. Closed Session:
The Board will confer with legal Counsel under:

Brown Act Section 54956.9(b) significant exposure to litigation involving (one) potential case(s).
- 9:14 15. Closed Session Report
- 9:15 16. Adjourn

The public may address the Board concerning an agenda item either before or during the Board's consideration of that agenda item. Public comment on items within the Board's jurisdiction is welcome, subject to reasonable time limits for each speaker. Upon request, agenda items may be moved up to accommodate those in attendance wishing to address that item. Times listed for consideration of agenda items are approximate only. The Board may consider any agenda item at any time during the Board meeting.

I declare that the foregoing agenda was posted at the office of the Yolo County Flood Control and Water Conservation District, 34274 State Highway 16, Woodland, CA on April 2, 2004.

By:

Christina Cobey, Administrative Assistant

REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES
April 6, 2004

The regular April meeting of the Board of Directors of the Yolo County Flood Control and Water Conservation District was held at 7:00 p.m. on April 6, 2004 at its regular place of business, 34274 State Highway 16, Woodland, California. Chairman Vink convened the meeting with Directors Brice, Eoff, Scheuring and Rominger present. Also in attendance were:

District Staff & Consultants

Tim O'Halloran, General Manager

Mike Horgan, Engineer

Paul Bartkiewicz, Legal Counsel

Francis Borcalli, Engineering Consultant

Visitors

Don Rominger, Retired District Director

Saquib Najmus, WRIME

Ali Taghavi, WRIME

Lynnel Pollock, Yolo County Supervisor

Duane Chamberlain, District Water User

Robert Becker, Yolo County RCD

MINUTES

M/S/C approved the minutes of the March 2, 2004 Regular Board meeting as corrected.

OPEN FORUM

No comments were made.

BOARD PRESENTATION

Engineer Borcalli presented information on the data management needs for the District's Groundwater Quality Monitoring Project (AB 303 funded). He then introduced Saquib Najmus of Water Resources and Information Management Engineering, Inc. (WRIME) who demonstrated WRIME's computer software data management program that has been used on similar projects. The program could be used on specific District projects or on system-wide applications. This software tool was described as easy to use, flexible and expandable with the ability to readily connect to various databases.

Mr. Borcalli then provided an update on the AB 303 project. The Luhdorff & Scalmaini Consulting Engineers' report is due to the District in June. Groundwater sampling efforts are going well; no pesticides were detected in the samples taken. A focused program element will include Capay Valley well water monitoring on a monthly basis with monies available for current and one subsequent year's costs.

DIRECTORS' REPORTS

Director Eoff reported on the Northern California Water Association (NCWA) meeting topics, which included activities relating to water right fees and associated costs containment, legislation being monitored, impacts of the Governor's budget, agricultural runoff discharge waiver, and NCWA membership expansion efforts.

Director Scheuring reported on the Water Resources Association of Yolo County (WRA) meeting activities. The annual financial audit was accepted; a retreat to determine the WRA's future is planned for May 2004; and the WRA Board received an update on the Integrated Water Management Plan (IWMP) Volume I.

Director Vink reported on the District/Yolo County 2X2 meeting of March 9, 2004. Topics included Yolo County/District governance matters, Yolo County flooding issues, Cache Creek Wild and Scenic designation, and expansion of the group's meeting schedule to twice per month.

Mr. Vink also updated the Board on the District's Water Stewardship Award program.

Director Brice reported on the Yolo County Water Coordinator interview process.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Attorney Bartkiewicz reported on SB 1272 (Ortiz) regarding special district reform. Given the District's current operating practices, little impact or changes are anticipated.

He also discussed the State Water Resources Control Board Term 91 (area of origin) requirements as it affects the District's Clear Lake water rights. A current lawsuit (El Dorado) will provide additional guidance once settled.

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

General Manager O'Halloran briefly discussed the Board's upcoming April 15, 2004 visit to Cal Poly's ITRC facilities; the April 21, 2004 reception for A.G. Kawamura, the State's new Secretary of Food and Agriculture; and the Agricultural Runoff Waiver Watershed Evaluation Report that was submitted to the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board. The monitoring costs for three stations are estimated to be about \$100,000 per year; more if toxic levels are identified.

Additionally, he reported on:

- The District/Yolo County 2X2 meeting which covered the District's mission; possible Yolo County/District governance models; the Yolo County Local Agency Formation Commission/Yolo County water district survey; and the Yolo County General Plan Update process.
- The District/Lake County Communications Committee meeting, which included pictures of a hill slide on the North Fork of Cache Creek. He expressed concern regarding the likely impacts of the slide should it dam the creek. Yolo County Supervisor Pollock stated she would discuss this with Yolo County staff.
- State Assemblymember Lois Wolk's planned legislation for Wild and Scenic status for Cache Creek. She is looking for local consensus on this issue and has requested District comments on the legislation. The District plans to comment on the legislative counsel's report.
- Directors Vink and Rominger met with Supervisor Mike McGowan. Mr. O'Halloran encouraged District Directors to contact Yolo County Supervisor's monthly to continue the District's outreach program.
- Planting of grass along a portion of the Winters Canal by area farmer John Anderson and the intent of the Yolo County Resources Conservation District and Yolo County Audubon Society to propose a native grasses project around the District's Chapman Reservoir. The District's past and anticipated continued annual financial participation with the Cache Creek Conservancy in removal of Arundo and Tamarix invasive species.

OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE REPORT

Mr. O'Halloran discussed the information in the April 6, 2004 Water Conditions Report. Diversions from Cache Creek Dam now are 225 cfs and 160 cfs into the Winters and West Adams Canals respectively. Currently there are three ditchtenders controlling diversions and deliveries. A fourth will be added on Friday.

He also informed the Board of two recent power outages at the office and an investigation into a backup generator.

District Engineer Horgan described the current automation equipment failure at the Capay Diversion Dam, and repair efforts.

Mr. Duane Chamberlain requested information on the District's process for determining irrigation start-up delivery dates and for making system repairs.

Mr. O'Halloran stated that, while there is no specific outlined process, he would present these matters to the water users group to discuss.

CONJUNCTIVE USE AND INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS REPORT

Mr. O'Halloran provided an update on the report, and the broader and more complicated matter of developing the District's long term vision, which will incorporate its conjunctive use and infrastructure improvements strategies. A potential District annexation of additional acreage to serve

the R.H. Phillips Winery presents an opportunity, though complicated, for new supply, supply reliability and conjunctive use integration.

BOARD CONSIDERATION

The Board scheduled its next regular meeting for April 29, 2004 at 7:00 p.m. to avoid a conflict with the early May ACWA and ACWA/JPIA conferences.

PAYMENT OF THE BILLS

M/S/C after review, approved the following claims for payment:

Yolo Flood Control Checks: #32064-32081

CLOSED SESSION

The regular meeting was adjourned to Closed Session under Brown Act Section 54956.9, significant exposure to litigation. Other than the Board, persons present were Mr. Bartkiewicz, Mr. O'Halloran and Mr. Horgan.

CLOSED SESSION REPORT

The regular Board meeting was reconvened. Chairman Vink reported that the Closed Session resulted in no reportable action.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.

Erik Vink, Chairman

ATTEST:

Tim O'Halloran, Secretary

