

# Yolo County Flood Control & Water Conservation District

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## AGENDA Board Meeting 34274 State Highway 16 Woodland, CA 95695 Tuesday, December 12, 2006 7:00 P.M.

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## AGENDA

- 7:00 1. Board Consideration: The Board will consider adoption of the minutes of the November 7, 2006 Regular Board Meeting.
- 7:02 2. Open forum (Limited to five minutes): Guest introductions, unscheduled appearances and opportunity for public comment on non-agenda items.
- 7:07 3. Board Consideration: Adding Items to the Posted Agenda.  
In order to add an item to the agenda, it 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 that arose subsequent to the agenda being posted.
- 7:10 4. Board Consideration: Rescinding Notice of Withdrawal from ACWA/JPIA's Property Program.
- 7:13 5. Board Update and Consideration: New Year's Eve Storm Recovery Update and Continuation of Emergency Conditions.
- 7:30 6. 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.

- 7:35 7. Attorney's Report: The District's attorney will report on current legal and legislative activities.
- 7:40 8. General Manager's Report: The Board will receive a report from the General Manager or designated representatives regarding current general activities and projects of the District.
- a) General Activities
  - b) Indian Valley Dam Penstock Lining Update
  - c) Capay Dam Inspection Update
  - d) Emergency Action Plan Session
  - e) Water Use Efficiency Grant Proposal
  - f) Operations, Maintenance and Water Conditions
- 8:15 9. 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.
- 8:20 10. Board Consideration: The Board will consider the approval and the payments of bills.
- 8:22 11. Closed Session:
- a) Conference with Legal Counsel Under: Brown Act Section 54956.9(a) Carman vs. YCFC&WCD and Watson vs. YCFC&WCD
- 8:59 12. Closed Session Report
- 9:00 13. 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 November 8, 2006.

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Christina Cobey, Administrative Assistant

## REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

December 12, 2006

The regular December meeting of the Board of Directors of the Yolo County Flood Control and Water Conservation District was held at 7:00 p.m. on December 12, 2006 at its regular place of business, 34274 State Highway 16, Woodland, California. Chair Rominger convened the meeting with Directors Brice, Scheuring and Tadlock present. Director Vink arrived later. Also in attendance were:

### District Staff and Consultants

Tim O'Halloran, General Manager  
Christy Barton, Assistant General Manager  
Mike Horgan, Engineer  
Anthony Lopez, Facilities Supervisor  
Jennifer Reed, Project Manager  
Max Stevenson, Water Resources Associate  
Paul Bartkiewicz, Legal Counsel

### Members of the Public

Don Rominger  
Mike Claeys  
Blake Harlan  
Bob Schneider  
Dave Pratt

### MINUTES

M/S/C approved the minutes of the November 7, 2006 Regular Board meeting as corrected.

### OPEN FORUM

Mr. Don Rominger stated that winter stormwater flows in the Winters Canal which pass through the Fredericks Flume cause erosion and flooding problems downstream. Mr. O'Halloran advised that he has discussed this matter with Mr. Rominger in the past and that he will reevaluate it.

Director Rominger stated that the District is required to divert winter storm flows from the canal into sloughs crossed by the canal.

Mr. O'Halloran said that he has discussed county-wide flooding issues with Mr. Bencomo of Yolo County and that a comprehensive plan for flooding solutions is needed.

Mr. Claeys stated that debris at a bridge across the Winters Canal 1.2 miles downstream of the

Fredericks flume is causing erosion. Mr. O'Halloran said that the debris will be removed.

### **ACWA/JPIA PROPERTY PROGRAM**

Mrs. Barton provided a brief overview of the need to rescind prior Board action to withdraw from the ACWA/JPIA Property Program.

M/S/C approval to rescind the notice to withdraw from the ACWA/JPIA Property Program.

### **NEW YEAR'S EVE STORM RECOVERY UPDATE AND CONTINUATION OF EMERGENCY CONDITIONS**

Mrs. Barton reported that \$516,000 has been received from FEMA, thus far, for reimbursement of District expenses associated with flood repair work. She stated that the State OES believes the Hungry Hollow Canal bridge repair project should qualify for FEMA funding but that no paperwork has been received.

Board and staff discussion followed on the bridge work.

M/S/C approval for continuation of the emergency conditions declaration.

### **DIRECTORS' REPORTS**

Director Scheuring reported that the Water Resources Association of Yolo County is reacting to comments received on the draft IRWMP and that local entities will complete prioritization of projects in February 2007.

### **ATTORNEY'S REPORT**

Attorney Bartkiewicz reported that a major legislative effort was underway on Delta restoration and includes a Delta conveyance bill. He advised that the State administration is interested in the matter that the NCWA is taking an active roll on it and its board has adopted a policy to take a supportive position if adequate safeguards for northern California interests are included.

Board discussion followed.

Mr. Schneider stated that, with the additional information now available, a careful look at the bill is warranted regarding environmental and levee protection assurances.

### **GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT**

General Activities: Mr. O'Halloran reported that:

- He has been participating in ag waiver meetings with the Farm Bureau and County Ag Commissioner.
- He has received favorable comments on the District's Harvest BBQ.
- He has recently met with Lake County and Yolo County Grand Juries on an informational basis and felt the meetings were beneficial.
- He is addressing the District's response to major storms through documentation of critical locations, preparation of canal structures and preparation of equipment and staff.

Indian Valley Dam Penstock Lining Update:

Mr. Lopez reported that: the penstock relining contractor arrived onsite on December 4<sup>th</sup> and began a second 10 hour shift on December 7<sup>th</sup>; the removal of the coaltar coating layer through a high pressure water wash would be completed tomorrow; the underlying zinc coating would be subsequently removed through an abrasive blasting process; water leakage past the 60 inch diameter butterfly valve was 9.5 quarts per minute and KTA Tator is the firm inspecting the contractor's work.

Board discussion followed.

Capay Dam Inspection Update:

Mr. Horgan reported that the non-destructive testing and the soil and concrete coring had been completed at the Capay Dam. He also stated that the consulting engineer's (Stantec) reports are due in March 2007.

Director Scheuring and Rominger requested that they receive copies of draft reports. Mr. O'Halloran stated that the draft reports would be forwarded to interested Board members.

Emergency Action Plan Session:

Mr. O'Halloran provided an overview of the November 21, 2006 Indian Valley Dam and Cache Creek Dam Emergency Action Plans exercise involving numerous Lake and Yolo County, State and Federal agencies. He also advised that:

- The event was found to be beneficial by the participants.
- The event is now required on an annual basis by FERC.
- A special meeting will be held with Spring Valley representatives.

Mr. O'Halloran also stated that he provided a special overview of the creek and dam systems to Yolo County OES and public works officials.

Water Use Efficiency Grant Proposal:

Mr. O'Halloran stated that, similar to the \$250,000 Proposition 50 grant received by the District for the monitoring network, a concept proposal is being drafted to seek an additional grant to fund infrastructure and environmental improvements.

Operations, Maintenance and Water Conditions:

Mr. O'Halloran reported that canal and levee repairs at the Winters Canal 1.10 location have been

completed and he commended Marc Jaconetti and staff for their work. He also reported on the water conditions at Clear Lake and Indian Valley Reservoir.

Mr. Claeys inquired about the status of the Cache Creek Dam hydroelectric facility. Mr. O'Halloran advised that the unit was not in operation and that further study would be required to determine the next appropriate course of action.

### **GENERAL DISCUSSION**

Director Scheuring inquired whether flow over the Capay Dam can be measured. Mr. O'Halloran stated that current readings and rating table for the dam cannot be trusted and that the District is pursuing a project with the Cache Creek Conservancy to have a new system installed by next winter.

Director Scheuring advised that the State is requiring utilities to increase their renewable energy sources and that the District may have opportunities to take advantage of this circumstance. Mr. O'Halloran advised that Mr. Jack Sinor had previously looked at various sites within the District for hydroelectric generation potential and that upon his return in February would be asked to address the matter further. Mr. Bartkiewicz stated that financial subsidies for past installations were necessary for their viability and subsidies were no longer available.

Mr. O'Halloran stated that a presentation would be made next month to the Board on Proposition 218 rate setting requirements.

Director Vink inquired about ethics training. Mr. Bartkiewicz advised that the training was not required of the District's Board due to the lack of Board compensation. Board and staff discussion followed on available courses.

### **PAYMENT OF THE BILLS**

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

Yolo Flood Control Checks: # 37430, 37488-37500

### **CLOSED SESSION**

The regular meeting was adjourned to Closed Session under Brown Act Section 54956.9(a) Carman vs. YCFC&WCD and Watson vs. YCFC&WCD.

Persons present other than the Board were General Manager O'Halloran, Assistant General Manager Barton, Jen Reed, Anthony Lopez and Attorney Bartkiewicz.

### **CLOSED SESSION REPORT**

The regular Board meeting was reconvened. Chair Rominger reported that during Closed Session the Board took no action.

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

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Bruce J. Rominger, Chair

ATTEST:

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Tim O'Halloran, Secretary