

Yolo County Flood Control & Water Conservation District

AGENDA Board Meeting 34274 State Highway 16 Woodland, CA 95695 Tuesday, March 7, 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 January 3, 2006 Special and Regular Board Meetings.
- 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: The Board will establish the 2006-2007 water rates.
- 7:25 5. Board Consideration: Resolution of Support for Cache Creek Conservancy Grant Proposal.
- 7:30 6. Board Consideration: ACWA/JPIA Workers' Compensation Program.
- 7:35 7. Board Presentation: Yolo County Subsidence Monitoring Report.
- 7:50 8. Board Update and Consideration: New Year's Eve Storm Recovery Update and Continuation of Emergency Conditions.
- 8:15 9. 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.

- 8:25 10. Attorney's Report: The District's attorney will report on the following:
a) Current legal and legislative activities.
- 8:35 11. 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) Cache Creek Watershed Forum (March 11, 2006 in Guinda)
c) Integrated Regional Water Management Plan Update
d) Operations, Maintenance and Water Conditions
- 8:55 12. 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.
- 8:59 13. Board Consideration: The Board will consider the approval and the payments of bills.
- 9:00 14. 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 March 2, 2006.

By: _____
Christina Cobey, Administrative Assistant

REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

March 7, 2006

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

District Staff and Consultants

Tim O'Halloran, General Manager
Christy Barton, Assistant General Manager
Mike Horgan, Engineer
Paul Bartkiewicz, Legal Counsel
Dan Folta, Engineering Consultant

Members of the Public

Duane Chamberlain, Yolo County Supervisor
Frank Siefertman, Sr., Past Yolo County Supervisor
Bob Schneider, Tuleyome
Jim Borchard, District Water User

MINUTES

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

OPEN FORUM

Mr. Siefertman presented the Board with photographs of Cache Creek upstream of the Moore Siphon which showed recent erosion on both sides of the creek.

Board and staff discussion accompanied the review of the photographs.

2006-2007 WATER RATES

Mr. O'Halloran introduced the matter of water rates for fiscal year 2006-2007. Director Tadlock reported that the Finance Committee reviewed past and current year expenses and rates and the expected expenses for the upcoming year. He stated that the Committee was recommending rate increases of 50 cents per acre-foot for both agricultural and non-agricultural customers for fiscal year 2006-2007. Director Vink stated that it was difficult for the Committee to determine necessary rate changes at this time given that the 2006-2007 budget is not adopted until the May Board meeting.

Board and staff discussion followed regarding scheduling and sequencing of the annual budget and water rate preparation process. Additionally, the Board discussed Lake County concerns regarding the substantial difference between ag and non-ag rates and the positive, pro-active discussions that are now taking place between the two entities.

Mr. O'Halloran outlined the current infrastructure inventory program, the need for a capital improvement plan and a 5-year water rate plan to ensure adequate revenue for required infrastructure improvements.

M/S/C approval to raise the agricultural water rate for fiscal year 2006-2007 by fifty cents per acre foot, and to suspend its non-ag water rate increase this year.

The Board requested that a letter be sent to Lake County advising that the District was suspending its non-ag water rate increase this year.

CACHE CREEK CONSERVANCY GRANT

Mr. O'Halloran reported that the State Department of Water Resources has requested a Board resolution to confirm its participation in a grant program proposal submitted by Cache Creek Conservancy. He advised that the proposed project is for the installation of a gauging station in Cache Creek at the Capay Dam; the total project cost is \$100,000; and the District's contribution will be \$25,000 including in-kind services.

M/S/C approval of Resolution No. 06.05 for Participation in the Cache Creek Conservancy's CALFED Watershed Program Grant Proposal.

ACWA/JPIA WORKERS' COMPENSATION PROGRAM

Mrs. Barton advised that, since work to obtain comparisons of costs for the District's Workers' Compensation coverage had not been completed within a prescribed frame, rescission of a prior notice to withdraw from the ACWA/JPIA Workers' Compensation Program and a new notice to withdraw were needed.

M/S/C approval to rescind notice to withdraw from the JPIA's 2006/2007 Workers' Compensation Program and to provide notice of intent to withdraw from the JPIA's 2007/2008 Workers' Compensation program.

YOLO COUNTY SUBSIDENCE MONITORING PROGRAM

Mr. O'Halloran advised that the third Yolo County subsidence monitoring assessment was conducted last year and that the findings report is being completed. He stated that localized subsidence is continuing and he provided examples of amounts of subsidence in various areas of the County. He said the final report will be presented to the Board when it becomes available.

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

Mr. O'Halloran advised that storm damage recovery work is progressing. Mr. Folta further advised that:

- Repair work had progressed well prior to the recent rains.
- About 3 weeks of dry conditions are needed for the remaining work.
- Four contractors attended the pre-bid meeting and site tour.
- Two contractors bid on most of the individual projects outlined in the design package and two bid on a few of the jobs.
- Diamond D General Engineering was the low bidder on nearly all of the projects.
- A meeting and tour with FEMA and State OES representatives was conducted.

Mr. Folta presented photographs of each project and described the status of repairs on each one. Board and staff discussion accompanied the presentation and included a focus on erosion problems and drainage flow into the District's canal system.

M/S/C approval to extend the emergency conditions declaration.

DIRECTORS' REPORTS

Director Vink reported that he attended the NCWA's Annual meeting which included various presenters and Governor Schwarzenegger who spoke on his water plan.

Director Scheuring reported that work on the IRWMP is progressing and that the next public meeting will be held on May 8, 2006.

Director Rominger reported on the recent Lake County – District 2X2 meeting, stating that the forum provides a good opportunity for both groups to work on matters of mutual benefits.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Attorney Bartkiewicz reported briefly on the water infrastructure bond measure currently being considered in the state legislature.

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

Mr. O'Halloran reported the following:

General Activities: The Scribner Bridge, which the District owns, will be fixed at the end of the upcoming irrigation season. A major issue associated with the repair was the property owner's request to widen the bridge from 12.5 feet to 16 feet. Given that the cost to widen was not much, it

has been decided to reconstruct the bridge to 16 feet wide. A draft policy on bridges will be brought

to the Board in the future.

Cache Creek Watershed Forum:

The next general meeting of the Cache Creek Watershed Forum will be held March 11, 2006 in Guinda. District and Lake County representatives are on the agenda.

Integrated Regional Water Management Plan Update:

- The IRWMP Technical Committee is meeting every two weeks to track and direct progress on the project.
- Adoption of the IRWMP is scheduled for January 2007.
- A subcommittee of the Technical Committee will meet to identify priority actions.
- Stakeholder meetings will be held on various activities and programs.
- The IRWMP will serve primarily as a guidance document.

Operations, Maintenance and Water Conditions:

Details on current storage at Clear Lake and Indian Valley Reservoir, weather and creek flow forecasts and current releases was presented and discussed.

GENERAL DISCUSSION

It was reported that the revised District web page will be given a trial run on March 8, 2006.

PAYMENT OF THE BILLS

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

Yolo Flood Control Checks: #35712-35727

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

Bruce J. Rominger, Chair

ATTEST:

Tim O'Halloran, Secretary