

**MINUTES OF JUNE 21, 2010
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
WATER RESOURCES ASSOCIATION OF YOLO COUNTY**

1. CALL TO ORDER & INTRODUCTIONS

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. by Chair, William Marble.

Board members present: William Marble – City of Woodland, WRA Chair
Cecilia Aguiar-Curry – City of Winters
Sid England – UC Davis, WRA Vice-chair
Jim Mayer – Yolo County Flood Control & WCD

Alternate members present: Kurt Balasek – City of Winters, WRA Treasurer
Tim O’Halloran – Yolo County Flood Control & WCD
Jacques De Bra – City of Davis
Donita Hendrix – Dunnigan Water District
Duane Chamberlain – Yolo County
Shelly Murphy – Colusa County Water District

Associate members present: Lynnel Pollock – Cache Creek Conservancy
Jeanette Wrynski – Yolo County Resource Conserv. Dist.

Members Agencies absent: City of West Sacramento
Reclamation District 2035
Reclamation District 108

Members of the Public & Agency Staff:
Cindy Tuttle, Yolo County
Betsy Marchand, Yocha Dehe
Bob Schneider, Tuleyome
Mark Cocke, City of Woodland
Dave Pratt

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA – The Board motioned, seconded and unanimously approved the agenda.

3. PUBLIC FORUM – There were no comments from the public.

4. CONSENT ITEMS - The Board motioned, seconded and unanimously approved all consent items.

- a. Approved Minutes: May 17, 2010 Board meeting
- b. Received financial reports: May 2010
- c. Received minutes of Executive Committee: 5/10/10
- d. Received minutes of Technical Committee: 5/6/10

5. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- a. Report from the WRA Chair – Chair Marble reported on a profile about Stefan Lorenzato in the current issue of DWR News/People and his watershed management work while under an inter-agency agreement between the YCFC&WCD and DWR. He also announced that the Woodland-Davis Clean Water Agency has hired a General Manager.
- b. Correspondence sent: Thank you letters to the May 17 water bond forum panelists and WRA membership invitation letter to Reclamation District 999.

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6. UPDATE ON LEGISLATIVE WATER PACKAGE & ISSUES

Tim O'Halloran informed about SB565 (Pavley) - follow-up legislation to the water rights reform measures partially addressed in SBX7 8 of last year. The bill would establish new penalty and investigative powers at the State Water Resources Control Board dealing with water rights. Tim explained the YCFC&WCD's concerns about the bill related to water rights and penalty fees. The bill would allow the SWRCB to review and revise any water rights at their discretion and force property owners to pay for required, costly reports/studies. Entity's like the YCFC&WCD already file water use reports with the SWRCB, but this has not been required of many riparian water rights holders before last year's new legislation changed the reporting requirements. Additionally, it appears that the State Board will be using the proposed criteria in the Delta Vision Plan to determine water flow.

- a. *Feedback on May 17th Water Bond Forum* – The WRA Board expressed positive feedback on the forum and received positive comments from those who attended. It was again suggested that a later time slot be considered for future meetings when more public participation is desired and possibly alternating events to locations in other Yolo County cities.

7. WRA TECHNICAL COMMITTEE UPDATES

- a. *FY2010-11 Project Funding Recommendations*- Jacques De Bra, Committee Chair, discussed the Technical Committee's (TC) recommended project allocations for the coming fiscal year. The focus is on Yolo County Integrated Regional Water Management Plan (IRWMP) projects. The total available FY2010-11 project funds budget is \$98,194.00. Jacques also discussed the 5-county regional IRWM effort (Westside Subregion) for the Proposition 84 grant application planned later this year. Proposition 84 guidelines and grant documents should be released in July/August 2010. Once the guidelines are available, the Westside IRWM group can begin prioritizing projects and preparing a grant application. The initial round of funding will be for planning grants and the second round will be for implementation. A short timeline is expected between the release of the final guidelines to the application deadline (approximately 6-8 weeks). Jacques also reviewed the TC's IRWMP update effort and the two draft tables included with the TC Report that lists the status of projects that had one-time or programmatic accomplishments. The IRWMP update information will be consolidated into a useful format and presented to the Board in the fall. Jacques then answered questions.

8. BOARD ADOPTION OF FY2010-11 BUDGET

Sid England presented the final FY2010-11 budget for adoption. He explained the revenue and expenses anticipated for the coming year of what is essentially a "flat" budget with few changes from FY2009-10. The project budget is based on 57% of member dues contributions with the remaining percent for administrative functions. The Yolo County Groundwater Monitoring Program contributions are essentially a "pass-through" to the YCFC&WCD as lead coordinating agency in support of on-going program activities. Sid also referred to the WRA Accomplishments list provided with the budget that demonstrates the many achievements, projects, presentations and communications during the fiscal year. The Board motioned, seconded and unanimously approved the agenda.

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9. DISCUSSION: Yolo County Water Committee Report

Chair Marble opened the discussion by asking the WRA Board about their interest in pursuing any of the governance changes recommended for the WRA in the County's water committee report. He expressed hesitation in holding a full discussion today without more of the WRA member agencies present. Chair Marble summarized the Yolo County Board of Supervisors' direction to staff on March 16, 2010 (reference WRA agenda page #35). There were two recommendations in the report that the WRA Board may want to consider and analyze: 1) the possibility of having more than one Yolo County Board of Supervisors as a full voting WRA Board member and 2) the possibility of supplementing the current WRA administrative functions by contracting with the YCFC&WCD to provide part-time administrative oversight. Chair Marble asked the WRA Board to contemplate whether these recommendations are worthwhile for discussion and whether these changes would have benefit for the WRA. A few questions and comments were expressed, but the Board decided to postpone this item for more in depth discussion at a future Board meeting.

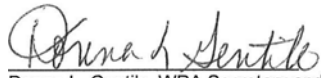
10. MEMBERS' REPORTS & FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

YCFC&WCD, Dunnigan Water District, UC Davis, Yolo County, cities of Davis, Woodland, Winters, and the Colusa County Water District gave brief reports on their agencies' recent activities.

11. NEXT MEETING DATE: September 20, 2010 from 3-5 pm, Woodland Community Center

12. ADJOURNMENT - The meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Donna L. Gentile, WRA Secretary and Administrative Coordinator