



WATER RESOURCES ASSOCIATION OF YOLO COUNTY

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Technical Committee Meeting

Thursday, September 13, 2007 from 8:30 – 10:30 AM

Woodland Community & Senior Center, 2001 East St., Room 1

AGENDA

1. Call to Order

2. Approve Agenda and Adding Items to the Posted Agenda- In order to add an item to the agenda, it must fit into 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.

3. Approval of Minutes from Previous Committee Meetings - Minutes will be approved by consensus through email communications. Previous meeting was held on 8/2/07 (attached).

4. Public Comment - The public may address the Committee relating to matters within the WRA's jurisdiction.

5. Update/discussion of AB 303 Funding Opportunity (Tim O'Halloran, YCFCWCD)
Application due date pending

6. DWR Update (DWR Staff)
Prop 50, Prop 84, AB 303 and other topics of interest to TC

7. Update on FY 2007-08 WRA Project Fund Actions

- a) Phase II Groundwater Monitoring Program Scope (YCFC&WCD, M. Stevenson)
- b) Levee Survey Scope (City of West Sacramento, D. Shpak)

8. Policy Statement on IRWMP Amendments – Receive comments on draft policy and amend (attached).

9. Future Agenda Items & Member Information: Committee members are invited to recommend topics or future meetings and report on current issues/events.

10. Next Regular Monthly Meeting Date: Thursday, **October 4, 2007, 8:30 to 10:30 am** in the Woodland Community & Senior Center.

Note: The Technical Committee will meet monthly on the first Thursday of the month and reserve the third Thursday to meet on an as need basis.

11. Adjourn

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing agenda for the September 13, 2007 meeting of the Technical Committee for the Water Resources Association of Yolo County was posted by September 7, 2007 in the office located at 34274 State Highway 16, Woodland, CA and was available to the public during normal business hours.

Donna L. Gentile, WRA Secretary and Administrative Coordinator

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MINUTES

Committee Members:

Jacques DeBra, City of Davis
Sid England, UC Davis
Doug Baxter, City of Woodland
Akin Okupe, City of Woodland
Mark Cocke, City of Woodland
Donna Gentile, WRA

Tim O’Halloran, YCFC&WCD
Dave Shpak, City of West Sacramento
Tasmin Eusuff, DWR
Bill Brewster, DWR
Julia McIver, Yolo County

Members of the Public:

Bob Schneider, Tuleyome Dave Pratt

1. CALL TO ORDER by Jacques DeBra.

2. APPROVAL AGENDA & Adding Items to Posted Agenda –Jacques requested adding to the agenda a policy statement item after Public Comment.

3. APPROVE MEETING MINUTES – Comments on the 7/5/07 draft minutes, due 8/6/07 to Donna.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT – Dave Pratt inquired about a response to Lois Wolk’s request to identify Yolo County flood priorities. Priorities have been identified in the IRWMP and the new pilot program, now called the Yolo County Flood Management Program, will be addressing flood issues. Bob Schneider inquired about the status of the new action submitted by Tuleyome for the Yolo Bypass Integrated Action. Amending the IRWMP will be discussed in the added agenda item below.

5. POLICY STATEMENT REGARDING YOLO COUNTY IRWMP AMENDMENTS – A draft policy statement was distributed for review (see attached). This policy would provide the framework for future changes to the plan. Please review and comment at the next TC meeting. Donna will email the policy to the TC distribution list. After TC review, the policy would be presented to the WRA Board for adoption.

6. FY 2007-08 WRA PROJECT FUNDS BUDGET:

- a) Habitat/Recreation Levee Survey Scope (West Sacramento) – Dave Shpak gave an update on the scope of work which they plan to have completed by October. A preliminary scope for this project was included with the June 11 WRA Board agenda.
- b) Yolo County Groundwater Monitoring Program (YCFCWCD) – Tim O’Halloran updated the TC that Max Stevenson and Rob Beggs are finishing up Phase 1 of this project. Information will be shared with DWR and imported into the Water Resources Information Database (WRID).
- c) Yolo Bypass Integrated Action (Yolo Basin Foundation) – Jacques provided an update that the IRWMP subcommittee of the Yolo Bypass Working Group (YBWG) is moving forward and continues their work implementation efforts for their watershed. The timeframe for utilizing these funds will be January – June 2008.

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d) Carryover funding from 06-07 Project Fund Budget:

- IGSM Model Development (\$15K) - these funds are intended to formalize and better define this Foundational Action. A scope of work will be reviewed in the fall to accomplish this task and discussion to help budget for future allocations.
- The Aquatic Ecosystem Monitoring (\$15K) – these funds are intended as a placeholder for this task.

7. PROPOSITION 50 IMPLEMENTATION GRANT (Round 2) SUBMITTAL: The WRA submitted a funding proposal to DWR. The projects selected for the grant application submit had to meet certain criteria. Step 1 of Round 2 will be DWR evaluating the adopted IRWMP. Step 2 will callbacks expected sometime in November. Northern California has already received the allotted 40% of the Prop 50 implementation funding; therefore the State may decide to award Round 2 implementation funds to Southern California. The application will be posted on the WRA’s website. The projects are listed below along with their IRWMP individual action number (reference IRWMP Section 5):

- **RD 2035 Sacramento River Diversion and Conveyance Facilities (WS7):** Existing unscreened intake replaced by new diversion facility to meet latest federal and state criteria for fish screen design, ensure reliable supply to agricultural users.
- **Capay Dam Reliability/Restoration (WS13)/Moore Siphon Reliability/Restoration Project (WS14):** As part of Cache Creek Water Management Integrated Project, Moore Siphon and Capay Diversion Dam upgraded to ensure reliability in agricultural water delivery and dam stability.
- **Putah Creek and Cache Creek Exotic and Invasive Species Removal (AR7)/Replace Earthen Crossing of Putah Creek at Route 106A (AR37):** As part of Putah Creek Integrated Project, remove channel choking exotic species and replace existing seasonal earthen crossing/dam with concrete ramp and box culvert.
- **Correll Rodgers Wetland Project (AR21):** As part of Cache Creek Flood Management Integrated Project, perform riparian restoration and seasonal wetland habitat enhancement.

The Technical Committee also discussed the two current projects allocated Prop 50 planning grant funds through the end of the contract period, which is 12/31/07. A Request for Proposals has been released for the Correll-Rodgers Wetlands project and Yolo County anticipates being able to complete this project by the contract deadline. The other Cache Creek element that was allocated funding is to establish an aquatic and riparian monitoring program. The co-partners of this element (YCFCWCD, Yolo County & City of Woodland) continue to meet to develop a scope for this project. They will report back to the Technical Committee on their progress. Work for this project would also need to be completed by 12/31/07. If funding allocations for the current Prop 50 grant needs to be amended, then the WRA Board will need to hold a special meeting to adopt changes recommended by the Technical Committee. The WRA Executive Committee will make the final determination and need to hold a special meeting. The next regular WRA Board meeting is not scheduled until November 19th.

8. DWR UPDATE: Tasmin Eusuff, DWR, informed that further discussion of grant funding is pending adoption of the State budget. Official results about the number of applications received for Round 2 Implementation Grant funding has not yet been released.

Tasmin also updated the TC on GPS program activities. Yolo County is ahead of the curve with the establishment of a subsidence program. DWR is looking for local agency staff commitments and possibly equipment in the further development of a statewide program. She should be able to provide additional details in October/November to the WRA TC. Jim Frame has been an integral part of the Yolo County program and is consulting on this statewide effort. Tim O’Halloran also attended a recent GPS program

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meeting. The Yolo County Subsidence Monitoring Program will shift their monitoring schedule a little earlier to accommodate the State’s schedule.

9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS & MEMBER INFORMATION:

Tim O’Halloran gave an update on the Yolo County Flood Management Program development.

10. NEXT MEETING DATE: Thursday, **September 13, 2007**, 8:30 to 10:30 am, City of Woodland, Woodland Community & Senior Center on 2001 East Street in Woodland, Room 2.

11. ADJOURN at 9:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna L. Gentile, WRA Board Secretary & Administrative Coordinator



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COMMITTEE REPORT

DRAFT

Date: August 2, 2007
To: Technical Committee
From: Technical Committee Chair
Subject: Policy Statement Regarding Yolo County IRWMP Amendments

Recommendation:

That the WRA Technical Committee approve the following process for receiving and approving amendments to the 2007 Yolo County IRWMP document as changing information and priorities dictate:

- (1) All changes to actions and priorities for IRWMP implementation shall be submitted to the Technical Committee (TC) for review;
- (2) Proposed changes to the IRWMP, upon approval and recommendation by the TC, shall be submitted to the WRA Board for their consideration and approval; and
- (3) All approved amendments and updates to the 2007 Yolo County IRWMP shall be documented collectively through an annual summary at the first board meeting of each calendar year as a means to maintain accurate documentation of such changes, ultimately to be used for any future major update processes to the current IRWMP.

Deleted: every January Board Meeting

Background:

As member agencies and the WRA Board take action to adopt the 2007 Yolo County IRWMP, it is recognized that this document is a living, breathing document along with its process for implementation. Therefore, the above policy is adopted as a means by which amendments to the plan will be considered, adopted and documented over the course of time as information, conditions, and/or priorities change and dictate. This policy can be updated at any time by the Board should this proposed approach not suffice in accommodating IRWMP amendments over time.