

MINUTES

Committee Members:

Jacques DeBra, City of Davis
Max Stevenson, YCFC&WCD
Donna Gentile, WRA

Mark Cocke, City of Woodland
Doug Baxter, City of Woodland

Members of the Public & Other Attendees:

Dave Pratt

Bob Schneider, Tuleyome

1. CALL TO ORDER by Jacques DeBra.

2. APPROVAL AGENDA & Adding Items to Posted Agenda – Jacques requested adding an update on the 2008 subsidence monitoring program after Item #4.

3. APPROVE MEETING MINUTES – Comments on the 11/1 and 11/8/07 draft minutes, due 12/17 to Donna.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT – No comments from the public.

5. SUBSIDENCE MONITORING NETWORK UPDATE (Jacques DeBra) – DWR is launching a GPS network to monitor subsidence in the Sacramento Valley in 2008. A project management team was formed composed of Eric Hong (DWR), Scott Martin (DWR), Marti Ikehara (National Geodetic Survey - NGS), Terri Reaves (USBR), and Chuck Owens (DWR). The project management team met with representatives of Butte County, Colusa County, Sutter County, Tehama County, Yolo County, and Yuba County Water Agency - all expressed a willingness to participate. DWR is contracting with Frame Surveying & Mapping. The WRA is canvassing member agencies for 1-2 staff members or equipment commitments for the 2008 GPS observations (a total of 6 servers from Yolo agencies.) The observation plan is still under development, so a specific schedule isn't available yet. Observation will begin in the northern counties in mid- March and proceed south which should put the Yolo County observations reasonably close to the summer timeframe used in the past. The WRA will send out an email with information and a formal request for staffing. Chuck Owens has requested this information by the end of December. Previously the cities of Davis and Woodland, Yolo County, YCFCWCD and UC Davis have participated providing either staff or equipment.

6. DWR UPDATE: Regular DWR staff was unable to attend today's meeting. Max gave an update on a joint AB303 application that was submitted December 11th with YCFCWCD as the lead applicant. The regional application partners were YCFCWCD, Woodland, Davis and UC Davis. The full funding amount of \$250,000 was requested. If awarded the grant funds, the project would start in summer 2008 and be completed within 2 years. Max gave a brief overview of the project and answered questions. The AB303 application will be posted on the WRA's website. Other local agencies that submitted applications were the Dunnigan Water District and RD 2035. WRA staff will request a copy of their applications for web posting also.

7. IRWMP REVIEW & AMENDMENT PROCESS:

- a) *Discuss WRA Board direction to review the Yolo County IRWMP scoring on Prop. 50 Round 2 application* – A meeting will be scheduled in January with the DWR reviewers of the WRA’s application to discuss their critique of the IRWMP. Monique de Barruel, West Yost Associates, is coordinating a meeting with DWR, Jacques DeBra, Sid England, Helen Thomson and Donna Gentile.
- b) *Discuss IRWMP policy amendments in context of IRWMP process* – The item will be discussed after the meeting with DWR reviewers to provide a better context for an amendment policy. Some of the elements of the amendment policy to be considered are: frequency, purpose of update, scope of changes, who will be doing the update, what is the cost and funding sources for updating the document. Updates to the IRWMP can be resource intensive if including a stakeholder/public input process of the changes. The purpose of meeting with DWR is to finalize questions regarding the IRWMP for the WRA’s benefit. Prop. 50 funding has concluded and the focus should be on moving forward with an awareness of the IRWMP’s relationship to regional coordination and the larger watershed. Prop. 84 guidelines will be released in 2008, but preliminary information points to its focus on DWR’s statewide management strategies and global warming issues.

8. ON-GOING IRWMP PROJECTS UPDATE:

- a) *Cache Creek cataloging & fish survey (YCFCWCD)* - A project update will be available at the February TC meeting. Max & Donna reported that work has been progressing on both items.
- b) *Correll-Rodgers (Yolo County)* – Max attended the Cache Creek Technical Advisory Committee meeting and provided an brief update on this project. The contractor presented the tiered options for the scope of the project. (Post meeting note: Yolo County Parks and Resources Department has posted the DRAFT Correll-Rodgers Pond Enhancement Plan on its website on December 17th at <http://www.yolocounty.org/prm/resmanage.htm>). A project update will be available at the February TC meeting.
- c) *RD 2035 Pumping Station Pre-Design (Davis)* – Jacques gave an update on this project. Phase 1 pre-design work has been completed.
- d) *Yolo Bypass Integrated Action (Yolo Basin Foundation)* – Donna attended the IRWMP subcommittee of the Yolo Bypass Working Group meeting on December 11th. They are finalizing operating rules for the subcommittee. They also discussed the role of the subcommittee regarding the Delta Vision effects on the Yolo Bypass. The subcommittee is planning on a “workshop” meeting after January 1st to review proposed action items in the Yolo Bypass Integrated Action.
- e) *Sacramento River Habitat/Recreation/Levee Survey (West Sacramento/Yolo County)* – Representatives from West Sacramento and Yolo County were unable to attend but provided the following update via email. The City of West Sacramento has asked the environmental consultant that is preparing the EIR for the City’s Flood Management Capital Improvement Program for a proposal to conduct the habitat and recreation survey. The consultant was also asked to evaluate existing data sources and determine how much additional work was needed to characterize existing conditions. A work scope, cost and schedule will be finalized in the next couple of weeks. The TC will request an update on this project at a future meeting.

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Technical Committee (TC) –December 12, 2007, 8:30 – 10:30 am
Woodland Community & Senior Center, 201 East St., Room 1

f) Yolo County Flood Management Program (Fran Borcalli/MOU partners) – An update was not available for today’s meeting. The program is now titled “floodSAFE Yolo – Pilot Program”. The MOU partners are the YCFCWCD, City of Woodland and Yolo County. The TC will request an update on this project at a future meeting.

9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS & MEMBER INFORMATION: No additional member updates were given. No future agenda items were suggested other than what was indicated in the Item 8.

10. NEXT MEETING DATE: Thursday, **January 10, 2008**, 8:30 to 10:30 am, City of Woodland, Woodland Community & Senior Center on 2001 East Street in Woodland. The City of Woodland was asked to continue hosting the TC meetings from January through June 2008.

11. ADJOURN at 10:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna L. Gentile

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