

MINUTES

Committee Members:

Jacques DeBra, City of Davis
Sid England, UC Davis
Tasmin Eusuff, DWR
Bill Brewster, DWR
Donna Gentile, WRA

Max Stevenson, YCFC&WCD
Doug Baxter, City of Woodland
Mark Cocke, City of Woodland
Julia McIver, Yolo County

Members of the Public:

Paul Robins, Yolo County Resource Cons. Dist. Dave Pratt

1. CALL TO ORDER by Jacques DeBra.

2. APPROVAL AGENDA & Adding Items to Posted Agenda –Agenda approved as presented.

3. APPROVE MEETING MINUTES – Comments on the 8/2/07 draft minutes, due 9/14/07 to Donna.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT – No comments from the public.

5. UPDATE/DISCUSSION OF AB 303 FUNDING OPPORTUNITY – Tim O’Halloran was unavailable to attend today’s TC meeting. Max Stevenson gave a brief update on the potential project(s) for the AB 303 – Local Groundwater Assistance application to the best of his knowledge. Grant money would potentially fund planning and oversight of a conjunctive use program that would allow private wells to supplement surface water in the canal system. This could be especially helpful to alleviate capacity problems during normal water years and increase supply during years with drought conditions.

6. DWR UPDATE: Tasmin Eusuff, DWR, gave an update on grant funding. AB 303 Proposal Solicitation Package (PSP) is anticipated to be released mid-October for the 2007-08 fiscal year budget. The PSP may contain different criteria than previous AB303 applications. Available funding per eligible applicant is up to \$250,000.

Prop 50 Round 2 Implementation grant applications are in the process of being reviewed. Step 2 call back lists are anticipated to be released by November 21st. Step 2 applications would be due by January 14, 2008. Final grant awards would be announced in May 2008. (For an updated schedule go to DWR: http://www.grantsloans.water.ca.gov/docs/prop50/round2/step1/Round_2_Updated_Schedule.pdf)

Prop 84 workshops will be held in Sacramento on September 25th from 9am to noon. Details and an agenda can be found at: http://www.grantsloans.water.ca.gov/grants/irwm/integregio_news.cfm.

Tasmin distributed brochures announcing the 26th Biennial Groundwater Conference on September 18-19 at the Sacramento Convention Center.

7. UPDATE ON FY 2007-08 WRA PROJECT FUND ACTIONS:

- a) Phase II Groundwater Monitoring Program Scope - Max Stevenson gave an update on the Water Resources Information Database (WRID) project detailing the steps completed and next steps planned for Phase II starting in October. Max will give another update at the November TC meeting.
- b) Levee Survey Scope, City of West Sacramento – Dave Shpak was not able to attend today’s meeting. An update was provided to share with the TC. The City of West Sacramento is financing the initial stages of the survey to analyze the value of existing data (including data from NCCP/HCP) and the need for additional data. Jones & Stokes will prepare this gap analysis along with a citywide EIR for the flood management program. An analysis will also be done outside the city boundaries (right bank of the river). This analysis will provide better estimates for the scope cost and cost shares needed from Yolo County and the WRA. If the existing data is sufficient, the cost share would obviously be lower. The City is moving forward on this rather quickly. An update should be available by the November TC meeting.

Subsidence Monitoring Update – Jacques was asked to give an update on the status of the Subsidence Monitoring Network. The Yolo County network monitoring will be coordinated with the regional DWR project for the 2008 subsidence monitoring cycle, even if it means collecting re-observation a little earlier than the planned July 2008 data collection.

8. POLICY STATEMENT ON IRWMP AMENDMENTS: Jacques DeBra explained the concept behind developing this policy statement. The TC discussed the policy and suggested clarifications. The policy needs to clearly state how all the WRA agencies would ratify and adopt amendments to the IRWMP. New actions recommended for IRWMP inclusion would be presented to the TC and then to the Board for evaluation as they are received. An annual summary report would be presented to the Board for adoption as an appendix to future IRWMP updates. The IRWMP document will be updated every 5-10 years depending on need and funding ability. Funds will need to be allocated to prepare the annual summary report. Other suggestions raised were: 1) detailing what sections of the IRWMP would need to be amended by recommended changes; 2) flexibility of the amendment process to coordinate with new funding opportunities as they arise.

Other changes to the IRWMP may need to be handled differently, for example, changes to IRWMP priorities. The WRA Board would discuss whether the individual agencies would need to review and approve such changes.

Jacques will revise the draft policy statement on IRWMP amendments. The TC will review the policy again on October 4th and recommend approval to the WRA Board at the November meeting.

9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS & MEMBER INFORMATION:

October Agenda:

- re-drafted policy statement for IRWMP amendments
- consideration of projects for AB 303 funding
- update on scopes for Cache Creek Aquatic & Riparian Monitoring Program (drafted by Stefan Lorenzato/YCFCWCD)
- water quality monitoring results presentation (YCFCWCD)
- Dunnigan Water District groundwater management plan update (Davids Engineering)

November Agenda:

Water Resources Association of Yolo County
Technical Committee (TC) –September 13, 2007, 8:30 – 10:30 am
Woodland Community & Senior Center, 201 East St., Room 1

- update on Correll-Rodgers Wetland Project (Yolo County)

Mark Cocke, City of Woodland, gave an informative update on the results of the Ford Consulting hydrology study of Creek relating to storm centering and flood modeling. The next phase of the study to do flow analysis of Cache Creek is estimated to cost \$84,000.

10. NEXT MEETING DATE: Thursday, **October 4, 2007**, 8:30 to 10:30 am, City of Woodland, Woodland Community & Senior Center on 2001 East Street in Woodland.

11. ADJOURN at 9:45 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna L. Gentile

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