

Yolo County Flood Control & Water Conservation District

AGENDA Board Meeting 34274 State Highway 16 Woodland, CA 95695 Tuesday, July 5, 2005 7:00 P.M.

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AGENDA

- 7:00 1. Board Consideration: The Board will consider adoption of the minutes of the June 7, 2005 Regular Board Meeting.
- 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: Request for Letter of Support for AB 1747 (Wolk).
- 7:20 5. Board Consideration: Relocation of Easement for South Branch of Farmers Central Ditch.
- 7:35 6. Board Consideration: Agreement for County Widening of Bridges Over Winters Canal.

- 7:50 7. Board Consideration: Memorandum of Understanding for Environmental Review of the Yolo Regional Treated Surface Water Project.
- 8:15 8. 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 9. Attorney's Report: The District's attorney will report on the following:
a) Current legal and legislative activities.
- 8:35 10. 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) Report on Special Board Meeting of July 5, 2005
b) General Activities
b) Operations, Maintenance and Water Conditions
- 8:50 11. 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.
- 8:55 12. Board Consideration: The Board will consider the approval and the payments of bills.
- 9:00 13. 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 June 29, 2005.

By: _____
Christina Cobey, Administrative Assistant

REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

July 5, 2005

The regular July meeting of the Board of Directors of the Yolo County Flood Control and Water Conservation District was held at 7:00 p.m. on July 5, 2005 at its regular place of business, 34274 State Highway 16, Woodland, California. Chair Brice convened the meeting with Directors Scheuring and Rominger present. Director Vink was absent. 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
Francis Borcalli, Engineering Consultant

Members of the Public

Bob Schneider, Cache Creek Wild
David Pratt
Jacques DeBra, City of Davis
Duane Chamberlain, Yolo County Supervisor

MINUTES

M/S/C approved the minutes of the June 7, 2005 Regular Board meeting as corrected.

OPEN FORUM

No comments were made.

LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR AB 1747 (WOLK)

Mr. O'Halloran summarized the Yolo County Board of Supervisors' (YCBS) request for District support of Assembly Bill 1747, which will permit the Rumsey Band of Wintun Indians to participate in joint powers authorities formed in Yolo County.

Board discussion followed. Mr. Bartkiewicz advised that the bill had no direct relationship to the Conaway Ranch eminent domain issue.

M/S/C approved the District to send a letter in support of AB 1747.

CHANGES TO THE POSTED AGENDA

Mr. O'Halloran requested and the Board agreed to relocate Item 7 in the agenda to immediately follow.

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) FOR ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW OF THE YOLO REGIONAL TREATED SURFACE WATER PROJECT (YRTSWP)

Mr. O'Halloran briefly overviewed the purpose of the MOU and the basis for District's participation in the preparation of environmental review for the YRTSWP. This project will serve the Cities of Davis and Woodland and the University of California at Davis.

Mr. O'Halloran described three reasons for the District to participate in the environmental review process:

1. The potential that a successful project would reduce municipal usage of groundwater and improve the groundwater situation for District customers;
2. The potential for the District to provide water through its conjunctive use program to the YRTSWP when supply would not otherwise be available from the Sacramento River; and
3. The opportunity to participate in a project that could potentially allow the District to diversify its revenue base.

Mr. O'Halloran introduced Jacques DeBra of the City of Davis and project manager for MOU work. Mr. DeBra described the history of urban interests in a surface water supply, the current Sacramento River Water Right Application that was originated by the District, the allocation of 45,000 acre-feet of water between the two cities and UC Davis, and the additional 10-25 thousand acre-feet of water that will be needed during the summer months, which could be supplied potentially by the District.

Mr. DeBra also spoke on various aspects of the environmental review process including:

- The need to demonstrate to the State due diligence in pursuit of the Sacramento River Water Right Application.
- The environmental review MOU as an initial phase in development of the YRTSWP.
- The potential for funding opportunities of subsequent phases.
- The need to identify and secure surface water sources to augment the June through September void in the Sacramento River supply application.
- The time frame for completion of the YRTSWP (2015-2020).

Board discussion followed regarding the \$100,000 District MOU participation cost, District budget impact; summer water supply needs, diversion locations on the Sacramento River, YRTSWP growth inducement potential, District commitments, responsibilities and options under the MOU, and other issues.

M/S/C approval to authorize the General Manager to execute the MOU on behalf of the District.

RELOCATION OF EASEMENT FOR SOUTH BRANCH OF THE FARMERS CENTRAL

CANAL

Mr. Horgan described the City of Woodland's request to relocate the District's easement for the south branch of the Farmers Central Canal (FCD) in order to facilitate construction of a community center. The Board and staff discussed specifics of the request and the associated documents.

M/S/C approval of 1) the agreement to relocate the easement for facilities to convey water; 2) the quit claim deed conveying the District's interests in the 1871 water ditch easement across the community center site to the City; 3) the grant of the easement from the City to the District for the relocated water conveyance easement; and 4) the District's General Manager's execution of documents, with any appropriate changes as approved by District counsel.

AGREEMENT FOR COUNTY WIDENING OF BRIDGES OVER WINTERS CANAL

Mr. Horgan described Yolo County's proposed project to widen road bridges across the District's Winters Canal at County Roads 21A and 85B. He summarized the proposed agreement between the District and Yolo County, and the recent development of several changes to the draft agreement. Board discussion followed.

M/S/C approval of the agreement, as presented, between the County and the District and authorized the General Manager to execute the agreement, with any final changes approved by District legal counsel.

DIRECTORS' REPORTS

No reports were given.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Mr. Bartkiewicz reported that Senate Bill 820, water rights legislation, has been amended and ACWA is withdrawing its opposition to the Bill. He advised that the Bill is in the Appropriations Committee and wording of the amended bill is due to be released the week of July 3, 2005.

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

General Manager O'Halloran reported the following:

- a) Special Board Meeting of July 5, 2005 - The Board met at the Chapman Reservoir site to tour the ongoing Habitat Enhancement Project. This project is being developed in collaboration with California Audubon and Student and Landowner Education and Water Stewardship Program (SLEWS). The tour was for information purposes only. Directors Rominger and Brice commented that the project was on an appropriate scale in a challenging test area and that it should be a good pilot study for bank stabilization and wildlife enhancement as well as developing appropriate institutional processes.
- b) General Activities Yolo County

- The recent Grand Jury Report provided positive findings about the District.
 - The need to develop a policy to charge for development related work.
 - District fees are needed for handling development related work.
 - The District will in the future, start the process to comply with AB 3030 and SB 1938.
- c) Water Conditions – Current and overall water delivery circumstances, accompanied by Board discussion of weather impacts on irrigation water usage and fall storage carry over in Clear Lake.

GENERAL DISCUSSION

Director Scheuring encouraged staff to develop a policy on Board chair rotation.

PAYMENT OF THE BILLS

M/S/C after discussion, approval of the following claims for payment:

Yolo Flood Control Checks: #34121, 34152-34164

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

Ann T. Brice, Chair

ATTEST:

Tim O'Halloran, Secretary