

Yolo County Flood Control & Water Conservation District

AGENDA Board Meeting 34274 State Highway 16 Woodland, CA 95695 Tuesday, October 2, 2012 7:00 P.M.

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AGENDA

- 7:00 1. Consideration: The Board will consider adoption of the minutes of the September 4, 2012 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. 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. Staff Report: Support Letter for Woodland-Davis Clean Water Agency Project.
- 7:15 5. Staff Report: Proposed Canal Realignment Projects.
- 7:40 6. Consideration: Summary Presentation on the District's Recently Completed AB 303 Groundwater Grant.

- 8:00 7. 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.
- 8:05 8. Attorney's Report: The District's attorney will report on the following:
a) Current legal and legislative activities.
- 8:10 9. 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) General Activities
b) Operations, Maintenance and Water Conditions
- 8:20 10. 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.
- 8:25 11. Consideration: The Board will consider the approval and the payment of bills.
- 8:30 12. 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 September 27, 2012.

By: _____
Christina Cobey, Administrative Assistant



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BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, October 2, 2012, 7:00 PM

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The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Yolo County Flood Control and Water Conservation District was held at 7:00 p.m. on October 2, 2012, at its regular place of business, 34274 State Highway 16, Woodland, California. Chair Mayer convened the meeting. In attendance were:

District Board

James Mayer, Chair
Ann Brice
Bruce Rominger
Ron Tadlock

District Staff

Tim O'Halloran, General Manager
Christy Barton, Assistant General Manager Administration
Max Stevenson, Assistant General Manager Resources
Ryan Bezerra, Legal Counsel

Members of the Public

Duane Chamberlain
Dave Pratt

1. CONSIDERATION: Approval of Minutes

M/S/C approved the minutes of the September 4, 2012 Regular Board Meeting as submitted.

2. OPEN FORUM

There were no comments.

3. CONSIDERATION: Adding Items to the Posted Agenda

There were no changes.

4. STAFF REPORT: Support Letter for Woodland-Davis Clean Water Agency Project.

General Manager O'Halloran reported that the Woodland-Davis Clean Water Agency has met with the Farm Bureau and the District staff regarding its Project and expressed the desire for a show of support for the Project from the agricultural community. O'Halloran reminded the Board that the Project represents the implementation of a project conceived by the District in 1994 when it submitted an application to appropriate 45,000 acre-feet of water for urban uses from the Sacramento River. The Project will provide direct, immediate benefits to the agricultural community near the locations where the water will be put to use by reducing the urban demand on the underlying groundwater.

O'Halloran provided a draft Letter of Support (Letter) for the Board's review and reported a list of entities to receive copies of the Letter will be added. Some editorial changes will be made to the Letter as suggested.

5. STAFF REPORT: Proposed Canal Realignment Projects.

General Manager O'Halloran reported on two potential canal realignment projects.

- a) Willow Canal – O'Halloran reviewed the project showing the current and proposed locations of a portion of the Willow Canal northeast of the City of Winters. He reported that the Board Infrastructure Committee has been briefed on the proposal. O'Halloran reviewed the proposal, meetings with the landowner, the reasons the landowner wants to move the canal at his own expense, and the benefits the new location will provide to the District. He identified a number of important issues.
 - City of Winters (City) - Close coordination will be required with the City including a letter regarding the potential impact to the City's flood control issues.
 - California Department of Fish and Game (DFG) - The Landowner is and will continue to work directly with DFG on issues related to the Moody Slough.
 - Adjacent Landowners – Landowners will share information with the adjacent landowners to ascertain any potential issues that need to be addressed.
 - Legal Agreements – The District and Landowner will need to develop legal agreements regarding the new and old canal, and comply with CEQA requirements.

- b) Moore Canal – O'Halloran reviewed a map showing a portion of the Moore Canal east of County Road 94B to State Highway 16. Teichert is a landowner and intends to mine its parcel for gravel. Teichert is interested in relocating the portion of the Moore Canal on its property to facilitate mining the area without leaving a highline canal going through it. This potential project was previously discussed with staff, but the down turn of the economy delayed further discussion. It is anticipated that the discussion will be reinitiated in the future.

6. STAFF REPORT: Summary Presentation on the District's Recently Completed AB 303 Groundwater Grant

Assistant General Manager of Resources Stevenson provided a PowerPoint Presentation reviewing the District's AB 303 grant application in 2007, approval in 2008, 2010 funding that provided \$250,000 and the actual grant work. He reported that the work has been completed and the results are reflected in four reports, which he briefly reviewed. The four reports are:

1. Drought Protection and Canal Capacity Pump Program Analysis Report (2009);
2. Using Yolo County Integrated Groundwater and Surface Water Model for Evaluation of Hydrologic Effects on Regional Surface Water Supply Project & Cache Creek Groundwater Recharge and Recovery Project (2011);
3. Enhanced Canal Recharge Feasibility Report (2012); and
4. Regional Conjunctive Use Enhancement: Nitrate Fingerprinting and Groundwater Age Determination Study (2012).

General Manager O'Halloran explained that the reports have long-term implications to the District and its water management, including conjunctive use strategies.

7. DIRECTORS' REPORTS

There were no reports.

8. ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Legal Counsel Bezerra reported on the second State Water Resources Control Board sponsored Bay-Delta workshop, which focused on the fishery resources. The Northern California Water Association and the Sacramento Area Water Forum are actively monitoring and participating in the workshops.

9. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

General Manager O'Halloran reported on:

- a) General Activities
Clear Lake Hitch Issues – A document “Outline of Administrative Process Associated with the Endanger Species Act (ESA) and the Petition to List Clear Lake Hitch” was distributed. O'Halloran reported he had been in contact with Lake County staff regarding potential issues. He would like to invite Dr. Peter Moyle to make a presentation to the Board regarding the Hitch, and would like the Chair to appoint an Ad Hoc Committee to be available in the event that O'Halloran needs to get some Board input. Chair Mayer created a Clear Lake Hitch Ad Hoc Committee, to which he appointed Directors Brice and Vink.
- b) Operations, Maintenance and Water Conditions
Water Condition Reports – was provided as a handout
Current Operations - Diversions into the canals, canal sales and water losses were reviewed.
End of Releases from Storage - The proposed end of releases is October 12, 2012. Water will be sold as long as it is available within the canals.

10. GENERAL DISCUSSION

Director Rominger asked if the proposed program to address waiting list will be available next year. General Manager O'Halloran reported that the computer programming has been developed and is in the testing stages. A letter explaining the new capacity allocation policy will be mailed to water customers shortly.

Director Brice announced that November 9, 2012 was the date for the Bucks for Ducks event. The guest speaker will be Chuck Bonham, Director, California Department of Fish and Game.

11. CONSIDERATION: Payment of Bills

M/S/C approval for the following claim(s) for payment:

Yolo County Flood Control Checks: # 47596, 47597, 47599, 47638-47644

12. ADJOURNMENT

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

James Mayer, Chair

ATTEST:

Tim O'Halloran, Secretary