

# Yolo County Flood Control & Water Conservation District

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## AGENDA Board Meeting 34274 State Highway 16 Woodland, CA 95695 Tuesday, November 1, 2011 7:00 P.M.

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## AGENDA

- 7:00 1. Consideration: The Board will consider adoption of the minutes of the October 4, 2011 Regular Board Meetings.
- 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: Update on Annexation Process.
- 7:20 5. Staff Report: Update on Indian Valley Turbine Rehabilitation Project.
- 7:40 6. Staff Report: Mid-year Budget Review.

- 7:50 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.
- 7:55 8. Attorney's Report: The District's attorney will report on the following:  
a) Current legal and legislative activities.
- 8:00 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  
c) A Moment in History
- 8:10 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.
- 8:13 11. Consideration: The Board will consider the approval and the payment of bills.
- 8:15 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 October 28, 2011.

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Christina Cobey, Administrative Assistant



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**BOARD MEETING MINUTES**  
**Tuesday, November 1, 2011, 7:00 PM**

**YCFCWCD Offices**  
**34274 State Highway 16**  
**Woodland, CA 95695**

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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 Tuesday, November 1, 2011, at its regular place of business, 34274 State Highway 16, Woodland, California. Chair Rominger convened the meeting. In attendance were:

District Board

Bruce Rominger, Chair  
Jim Mayer, Vice Chair  
Ann Brice  
Ron Tadlock  
Erik Vink

District Staff

Tim O'Halloran, General Manager  
Christy Barton, Assistant General Manager  
Anthony Lopez, Facilities Supervisor  
Jen Reed, Project Manager  
Paul Bartkiewicz, Legal Counsel

Members of the Public

Duane Chamberlain  
Don Rominger

**1. CONSIDERATION: Approval of Minutes**

General Manager O'Halloran reported that the draft minutes had inadvertently omitted any reference to Chair Rominger returning to the Boardroom and the meeting after the close of the annexation item.

M/S/C approved the minutes of the October 4, 2011 Regular Board Meeting as corrected.

**2. OPEN FORUM**

None.

**3. CONSIDERATION: Adding Items to the Posted Agenda**

None.

**4. STAFF REPORT: Update on Annexation Process**

General Manager O'Halloran announced there will be no Board consideration or discussion regarding the proposed annexation, only an update regarding annexation procedural issues. Given this information, there is no reason for Chair Rominger to recuse himself.

Assistant General Manager Barton reported that staff had met with the Yolo County Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) staff to discuss the annexation procedure. LAFCO staff stated that one of the parcels proposed for annexation is outside of the District's Sphere of Influence (SOI) and inside of the Yolo-Zamora Water District (YZWD) SOI. The SOIs for both districts will have to be changed before the annexation can be approved by LAFCO. Barton explained that the District's SOI was last updated in 2005 and includes the Reclamation Districts and other water districts in Yolo County. She reported that after review of the District's current SOI, it is unclear exactly where the SOI boundary is, and which parcels are outside of the District's SOI and within the YZWD's SOI.

Due to the confusion regarding the District's current SOI boundary, the District did not file the Notice of Intention (NOI) with LAFCO as expected, nor was a resolution prepared to authorize proceeding with the annexation for this Board meeting.

O'Halloran reported that the LAFCO staff person that the District has been working with is on maternity leave, but County Resources Coordinator Tuttle is filling in as interim executive officer at LAFCO.

**5. STAFF REPORT: Update on Indian Valley Turbine Rehabilitation Project**

Facilities Supervisor Lopez updated the Board regarding the activities since the September 2011 Board meeting related to Indian Valley Turbine Rehabilitation Project. Matthew Gass, P.E. was hired to review the 2007 Sites Constructors Report and the three hydroelectric units, and then to make recommendations.

Regarding Unit #3, Gass has provided a report in which he suggests replacing portions of the unit

rather than the whole unit. Lopez elaborated on items to be replaced, the estimated costs and the expected benefits.

Lopez reported on the shortcomings of the current unit regarding efficiency and flows. He also reported that the Sites Constructors Report regarding the units had raised concerns of Chubb Insurance, underwriters for the ACWA/JPIA, regarding the on-going operation of the units.

General Manager O'Halloran reported that the next step regarding Unit #3 for the District is to develop an economic analysis and payback schedule. This analysis is expected to be available for the Board at the December meeting.

Regarding Units #1 and 2, Gass has not yet completed his investigation. However, he has confirmed that the units need repair based on the Sites Constructors report and its accompanying photographs. Preliminarily, he is suggesting repair of specific components of the units rather than replacement of the units.

#### **6. STAFF REPORT: Mid-year Budget Review**

General Manager O'Halloran provided a PowerPoint presentation updating the Board on the status of the District's budget. O'Halloran reviewed the major drivers for revenues and expenses and compared them to the expected expenditures to date. Assuming average April 2012 water sales, end of year revenues should be close to meeting budget. Expenses are tracking the budget, but staff will continue to look for savings opportunities. O'Halloran reminded the Board that the final FY 2011/2012 budget anticipated a shortfall in revenues of \$100,000 to be offset from reserves and that is still the expectation.

#### **7. DIRECTORS' REPORTS**

Director Brice reported that the Association of California Water Agencies (ACWA) Region IV water tour went very well.

Chair Rominger, Director Brice and General Manager O'Halloran attended a meeting at the Conaway Ranch to discuss water issues in Yolo County including discussion of the Woodland-Davis Clean Water Project and flood issues related to the Cache Creek Settling Basin.

#### **8. ATTORNEY'S REPORT**

Legal Counsel Bartkiewicz provided the current timetable for the Bay Delta Conservation Plan (Plan), noting that he continues to work with both ACWA and the Northern California Water Association (NCWA) regarding Delta issues. He also reported on issues related to the Administrative review of the Plan.

#### **9. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT**

General Manager O'Halloran reported on the following:

a) General Activities

The District's Harvest BBQ is planned for Thursday, November 10, 2011;

The Westside Integrated Regional Water Management Program planning has started. The Water Resources Association of Yolo County will represent the Yolo County area. The District will act as the fiscal agent, with Kennedy-Jenks providing the overall project management and Ken Kirby acting as facilitator.

The Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Methylmercury TMDL (Delta TMDL) has been recently adopted. Among other things, it requires improving the trapping efficiency of the Cache Creek Settling Basin. The Delta TMDL requires the California Department of Water Resources (DWR) with developing a plan to increase the efficiency of the Settling Basin. DWR is planning a \$3 Million study to develop options.

b) Operations, Maintenance and Water Conditions

Field Supervisor Espinoza is removing irrigation structures in preparation for winter, checking gates and structures, and prioritizing repairs and maintenance activities.

The Water Conditions report was provided as a handout.

c) A Moment In History

General Manager O'Halloran distributed a chart and backup material, tracing the history and acquisition of water rights that were aggregated by the Clear Lake Water Company.

## **10. GENERAL DISCUSSION**

Chair Rominger requested an update on the District's position regarding compliance with SBX 7-7. General Manager O'Halloran noted that the District is in the process of inventorying the delivery structures that we have and how water flow is measured through each.

Chair Rominger asked if the Ditchtender's daily records could be made accessible on the District's website to growers on a daily basis.

Director Brice reminded those present that Bucks For Ducks is taking place on November 18 and that the District has purchased a table for eight.

## **11. CONSIDERATION: Payment of Bills**

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

Yolo County Flood Control Checks: # 46280-46289

**12. ADJOURNMENT**

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

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Bruce J. Rominger, Chair

ATTEST:

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Tim O'Halloran, Secretary

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