

Yolo County Flood Control & Water Conservation District

AGENDA Board Meeting 34274 State Highway 16 Woodland, CA 95695 Tuesday, March 5, 2013 7:00 P.M.

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AGENDA

- 7:00 1. Consideration: The Board will consider adoption of the minutes of the February 5, 2013 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. Presentation: ACWA/JPIA.
- 7:15 5. Board Report: Director Committee Assignments.
- 7:25 6. Consideration: Contract for 5% Design Report for Cache Creek Hydroelectric Station.
- 7:40 7. Staff Report: Cache Creek Dam Underwater Inspection.
- 8:00 8. Staff Report: GIS Direct Presentation.

- 8:15 9. 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.
- 8:20 10. Attorney's Report: The District's attorney will report on legal matters of concern to the District.
- 8:25 11. 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) Operations, Maintenance and Water Conditions
b) General Activities
- 8:35 12. 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.
- 8:40 13. Consideration: The Board will consider the approval and the payment of bills.
- 8:45 14. 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 March 1, 2013.

By: _____
Christina Cobey, Administrative Assistant



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BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, March 5, 2013, 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 March 5, 2013, at its regular place of business, 34274 State Highway 16, Woodland, California. Chair Vink convened the meeting. In attendance were:

District Board

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

District Staff

Tim O'Halloran, General Manager
Christy Barton, Assistant General Manager - Administration
Max Stevenson, Assistant General Manager - Resources
Jen Reed, Project Manager
Anthony Lopez, Facilities Supervisor
Ryan Bezerra, Legal Counsel

Members of the Public

Duane Chamberlain
Dave Pratt
Andy Sells, Chief Executive Officer ACWA/JPIA
Thomas Cuquet, Vice President ACWA/JPIA

1. CONSIDERATION: Approval of Minutes

M/S/C approved the minutes of the February 5, 2013 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. PRESENTATION: ACWA/JPIA

Association of California Water Agencies/Joint Powers Insurance Authority (ACWA/JPIA) Vice President Thomas Cuquet and Chief Executive Officer Sells made a presentation to the Board of a \$97,276.00 refund check related to the ACWA/JPIA's Retrospective Premium Adjustment (RPA). The RPA was established in 1999 to stabilize fluctuating cycles of refunds and retrospective billings for the prior years. The refund check represents a change in ACWA/JPIA internal policy regarding the pooled policies and the RPA, and the District's participation in ACWA/JPIA's programs since 1988.

5. BOARD REPORT: Director Committee Assignments

Chair Vink announced the committee assignments for 2013 are the same as for 2012 with the exceptions that on the Personnel Committee Director Mayer replaced Director Tadlock and on the Yolo County 2x2 Committee Director Tadlock replaced Director Mayer.

6. CONSIDERATION: Contract for 5% Design Report for Cache Creek Hydroelectric Station

General Manager O'Halloran reviewed the action taken at the February 5, 2013 Board meeting authorizing O'Halloran to enter into a contract with NLine Energy (NLine) for a 10% design report for the Cache Creek Hydroelectric Station. O'Halloran reported that after negotiating the changes in the scope of services with NLine, the 10% design report was reduced to a 5% design report focusing on the District's identified priorities. Both parties felt that the scope of services had changed significantly enough to warrant bringing it back before the Board for consideration.

O'Halloran reviewed the scope of services for the 5% design report proposal submitted by NLine as a replacement for the 10% design report previously considered. O'Halloran noted that this was simply a rearrangement of the planned tasks. The higher risk items will be addressed first as requested by the District. O'Halloran noted that if the project is completed, the total project cost will not have changed due to this task rearrangement. He also noted that the District can stop the process in the event that the District believes a fatal flaw has been identified.

7. STAFF REPORT: Cache Creek Dam Underwater Inspection

General Manager O'Halloran reported that staff is developing an overall infrastructure program that will include a proactive approach regarding preventative maintenance. He reported that the District has recently had all of the Cache Creek Dam's gates and related infrastructure inspected by a dive team. O'Halloran noted this is probably the first underwater inspection of the dam since its construction in 1914.

Facilities Supervisor Lopez provided the Board with a photograph of the Cache Creek Dam and a schematic of the typical gate structure. He reported that Big Valley Divers had inspected the underwater portion of the upstream dam, gate by gate, and would be providing a written report soon. Lopez reviewed preliminary information that he had received noting that there is some damage to the concrete that will need repair and there is some wear on the gates shafts, but nothing was found that is critical to the near-term integrity and/or function of the dam.

8. STAFF REPORT: GISDirect Presentation

General Manager O'Halloran reminded the Board of a previous presentation regarding the web-based geographic information system called GeoIrrigation, which the District has been effectively using as part of its information management system. GeoIrrigation has been significantly upgraded. The new version is called GISDirect.

Assistant General Manager – Resources Stevenson demonstrated the GISDirect software for the Board, reviewing the software improvements and how it would be used. Stevenson reported that the District has access to the assessor's maps and databases for both Yolo and Lake Counties and that the aerial maps are tied to and updated with Bing maps on the Internet.

9. DIRECTORS' REPORTS

Chair Vink reported that he and Directors Brice and Tadlock, and General Manager O'Halloran had attended the Northern California Water Association (NCWA) annual meeting at which Fran Borcalli was honored.

Director Tadlock reported that the Sites Joint Powers Authority will be meeting on March 6, 2013 in the District's boardroom at 1:30 PM.

Chair Vink reported he had attended a meeting of the Davis Redevelopment Successor Agency Oversight Board.

10. ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Legal Counsel Bezerra reported on two items:

- A) The Bureau of Reclamation and the California Department of Water Resources have published a Notice of Intent and Notice of Preparation for an Environmental Impact Statement/Environmental Impact Report to assess impacts associated with the implementation of certain actions to address salmonid habitat restoration within the lower Sacramento River Basin and fish passage improvements in the Yolo Bypass. Public scoping

meetings are scheduled for Thursday, March 14, 2013, in both the Cities of West Sacramento and Woodland.

- B) The probability of legislative changes to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) have been negatively impacted by the sudden resignation of Senator Rubio, who was a major proponent regarding changes to CEQA. Many CEQA related bills are still being floated and may be acted upon.

11. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

General Manager O'Halloran reported on the following items:

- A) Operations, Maintenance and Water Conditions

The Water Conditions Report for March 5, 2013 was reviewed. The water availability (allocation) estimation and the associated water rate were also reviewed.

- B) General Activities

Middle Creek Restoration Project – Lake County provided the District with the draft water availability study for review and comment. District staff has met with MBK Engineer Gary Kienlen and has set a meeting with Lake County and its consultant to review the draft report. A number of items were identified for discussion.

Clearlake Oaks County Water District – The 1997 water contract with Clearlake Oaks County Water District (COCWD) included a list of littoral lands. The District and the COCWD are currently auditing that list. This action has elevated the importance of actively monitoring the District's water contracts.

Clearlake Hitch Petition – Letters to the California Fish and Game Commission from the Lake County Board of Supervisors and the Lake County Farm Bureau regarding the Clearlake Hitch were distributed and discussed.

Water Resources Association of Yolo County (WRA) Mercury Subcommittee – The WRA has hired Steve McCord at a consultant to track and provide updates regarding mercury related activities for the subcommittee. There are currently 17 different activities in process.

Western Canal Water District - A meeting was held at the Western Canal Water District to discuss water issues with Department of Water Resources' staff and to build working relationships with the agency.

- C) Upcoming events

1. Water Resources Association of Yolo County Board Meeting – 20th Anniversary (March 11)
2. Water Education Foundation Executive Briefing (March 14 – 15)
3. Ag Roundtable Meeting (March 19)
4. Water Education Foundation – Department of Water Resources Integrated Water Management (WEF – DWR IWM) Summit – (April 3)

5. Yolo Resource Conservation District Annual Dinner and Fundraiser (April 10)
6. California Water Policy 22 (April 18 – 19)
7. Association of California Water Agencies/Joint Powers Insurance Authority (ACWA/JPIA) 2013 Spring Conference (May 6, 7)
8. Association of California Water Agencies (ACWA) 2013 Spring Conference and Exhibit (May 7 – 10)

12. GENERAL DISCUSSION

General Manager O'Halloran reported that the District still needs to get the California Independent System Operator (CA ISO) meter issues and contracts resolved. At this point the District is paying PG&E more in scheduling fees than the income from the Indian Valley Unit 3. The monthly fees to PG&E continue regardless of the District's operations.

13. CONSIDERATION: Payment of Bills

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

Yolo County Flood Control Checks: # 48237-48250

ADJOURNMENT

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

Erik Vink, Chair

ATTEST:

Tim O'Halloran, Secretary