

# Yolo County Flood Control & Water Conservation District

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## AGENDA Board Meeting 34274 State Highway 16 Woodland, CA 95695 Tuesday, September 7, 2010 7:00 P.M.

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## AGENDA

- 7:00 1. Board Consideration: The Board will consider adoption of the minutes of the August 3, 2010 Regular and August 24, 2010 Special 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. 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 Presentation: Strategy for addressing Bay-Delta and related legislative and regulatory water issues.
- 7:45 5. Board Consideration: Westside Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) Plan and Grant Application.
- 8:05 6. Board Consideration: Appointment of District Representative to Sites JPA Board of Directors.

- 8:10 7. Board Consideration: Capay Dam Apron Rehabilitation Project Update.  
a) Engineering and Construction  
b) Permitting Issues  
c) Loan Application Submittal
- 8:25 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.
- 8:30 9. Attorney's Report: The District's attorney will report on the following:  
a) Current legal and legislative activities.
- 8:40 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) 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.
- 8:58 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 September 3, 2010.

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



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**BOARD MEETING MINUTES**  
**Tuesday, September 7, 2010, 7:00 PM**

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**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, September 7, 2010, at its regular place of business, 34274 State Highway 16, Woodland, California. Chair Brice convened the meeting. In attendance were:

District Board

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

District Staff

Tim O'Halloran, General Manager  
Christy Barton, Assistant General Manager  
Fran Borcalli, floodSAFE Yolo Program Manager  
Stefan Lorenzato, Environmental Program Manager  
Jen Reed, Project Manager  
Ryan Bezerra, Legal Counsel

Members of the Public

Duane Chamberlain  
Jacques DeBra  
Donna Gentile  
Bill Marble  
Dave Pratt  
Don Rominger  
Bob Schneider  
Frank Siefertman  
Eric Mische

**1. BOARD CONSIDERATION: Approval of Minutes**

M/S/C approved the minutes of the August 3, 2010 Regular and the August 24, 2010 Special Board meeting minutes as mailed.

**2. OPEN FORUM**

General Manager O'Halloran introduced Eric Mische, General Manager of the Woodland-Davis Clean Water Agency, and David Guy, President of the Northern California Water Association (NCWA.)

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

None.

**4. BOARD PRESENTATION: Strategy for addressing Bay-Delta and related legislative and regulatory water issues.**

General Manager O'Halloran reported this item is to address the Board's concerns raised at previous Board meetings regarding the Bay-Delta process and other legislative and regulatory issues that might impact the District. Previous discussions focused on how to insure efficient and effective use of District funds to help understand the big picture items while addressing the District's specific concerns. To provide context and background on these issues, O'Halloran requested that David Guy report on NCWA activities regarding the Bay-Delta and related regulatory issues.

David Guy provided the Board with a set of handouts regarding the Bay-Delta. Guy described the "tangled web" of water supplies, water rights, overlapping authorities, multiple water related legislative bills, and conflicting strategies to address Bay-Delta problems. He reported that the issues that may impact the District resulting from the Delta Reform Act and new State Policy include new water fees and reduced flows. He identified numerous overlapping activities among groups trying to develop flow criteria, water quality standards or Delta operations plans.

Guy reported that due to the complexity of the issues and the co-equal goals identified in State Policy to provide more reliability while protecting, restoring, and enhancing the Delta ecosystem, the probable Delta solution will need to be a negotiated solution among the various concerned political, legislative and other interested parties, including water right holders. In order to prepare for a negotiated solution, NCWA has created "Task Forces" to address Delta priorities for the Sacramento Valley. The Task Forces include: the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB), the Bay-Delta Conservation Plan, the Delta Plan, Congress/Legislature, and Water Management Task Forces.

Legal Counsel Bezerra reminded the Board that during the 2000 SWRCB Phase Eight water rights hearings, the SWRCB determined that the District had no obligation to provide water to the Delta because when the Delta is in need of water, Cache Creek is not hydrologically connected to the Delta. However, Bezerra cautioned that Cache Creek does contribute water during certain times of

the year, and that the new criteria is looking at keeping 75% of the November – June flow that would

otherwise get to the Delta. Bezerra said it is unclear what authority the Delta Stewardship Council has upstream of the Delta, or if and how it could impose fees and flow requirements. The draft EIS/EIR for the BDCP may include a financing package that would need to include specific information and be available for review.

Bill Marble expressed concern regarding the reallocation of water and fees.

O'Halloran reported that the Board's direction was to decide how the District's interests and priorities would best be represented, with the effective and efficient use of the District's limited resources. O'Halloran stated that he believes that the District's best and strongest position is to work with NCWA, WRA and others to get the Sacramento area's water story out, and include District specific information.

##### **5. BOARD CONSIDERATION: Westside Integrated Regional Water Management Plan (IRWMP) and Grant Application**

Jacques DeBra, WRA Technical Committee Chair, reported on the State's political and financial support for super-regional water management planning based on watersheds, not political boundaries. The WRA is participating in a Westside Regional Water Management Group (Westside Group) to develop a Westside Integrated Regional Water Management Plan (IRWMP) that would include the Yolo WRA, the Lake County Watershed Protection District, the Napa County Flood Control and Water Conservation District, the Colusa County Resource Conservation District, and the Solano County Water Agency. The Westside Group would focus on the Cache Creek and Putah Creek watersheds. The proposed governance structure for the Westside Group would be a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), which will be taken to the WRA for approval.

DeBra provided a handout and reviewed the proposed geographic area, MOU and organizational chart for the Westside Group. The purpose of the MOU is to facilitate the ability of the Westside Group to tap into State planning grant funds to develop and implement watershed planning activities. The MOU proposes the District act as the fiscal agent for administration of the grant, with the Solano County Water Agency (SWCA) providing administrative support. This agreement includes two conditions to protect the District's resources – that staff time is reimbursable and that there should be a rapid turn around for repaying the District costs.

The Westside Group intends to apply for a \$1,000,000 Proposition 84 planning grant to be funded by the California Department of Water Resources (DWR). DeBra reviewed the schedule for the grant and a proposed timeline for implementation of the grant activities. Due to timing issues for the grant

and the District's proposed activities within the MOU, the District is being asked to consider support for the grant application before the application is provided to the WRA for consideration.

Bill Marble, WRA Chair, reported that the WRA would appreciate the District to act as its agent to access the funds for its membership. Due to the WRA's structure, it does not qualify to contract directly with DWR for the grant funds.

M/S/C adopted Resolution 10.09 approving the application for grant funds on behalf of the Westside Regional Water Management Group from the California Department of Water Resources.

**6. BOARD CONSIDERATION: Appointment of District Representative to Sites JPA Board of Directors**

General Manager O'Halloran reviewed the District's action at the August 24, 2010 Special board meeting approving the District becoming a participant of the Sites Reservoir Joint Powers Authority (JPA). Now that the JPA has been formalized, the District needs to appoint a representative to the JPA Board of Directors.

M/S/C appointed Director Tadlock to the Sites Reservoir JPA Board of Directors.

**7. BOARD CONSIDERATION: Capay Dam Apron Rehabilitation Project Update**

Stefan Lorenzato, Capay Dam Apron Rehabilitation Project Manager, provided a handout identifying the timeline for the Project and reviewing the change orders to date. He reported on current construction activities, reporting that the work is going smoothly, is expected to move into Cache Creek next week, and to be completed the first week of November.

Lorenzato reported that the SWRCB had approved the District's project for low interest loan funding. SWRCB staff is developing a draft financial contract for the District Board's consideration.

General Manager O'Halloran reported that the District has received requests from customer's wanting water deliveries after the previously announced shut-off date. The cool weather has negatively impacted the maturing of some crops that still need water.

**8. DIRECTORS' REPORTS**

Chair Brice reported that John Anderson invited the Board to his property to view the canal banks through his property that will show the results of several years of vegetation management activities.

**9. ATTORNEY'S REPORT**

Legal Counsel Ryan Bezerra reported that SB 565, which allowed the SWRCB to order agencies to conduct special studies, has been defeated, and that the Delta Stewardship Council is working on a long-term plan that will include fees to be adopted.

**10. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT**

General Manager O'Halloran reviewed the operational coordination between the Cache Creek Dam and the Indian Valley Dam to maximize the use of Clear Lake water.

**11. GENERAL DISCUSSION**

The Day in the Country event was announced.

**12. BOARD CONSIDERATION: Payment of Bills**

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

Yolo County Flood Control Checks: # 44528, 44578-44589

**13. ADJOURN**

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

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Ann Brice, Chair

ATTEST:

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Tim O'Halloran, Secretary

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