

Yolo County Flood Control & Water Conservation District

Board Meeting
34274 State Highway 16
Woodland, CA 95695
Tuesday, December 4, 2018
7:00 P.M.

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AGENDA

- 7:00 1. Consideration: Adoption of the November 6, 2018 Regular Board Meeting Minutes
- 7:02 2. Open forum (Limited to five minutes): Guest introductions, unscheduled appearances, 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: Yolo County Resource Conservation District's Putah-Cache Arundo Eradication Program
- 7:40 5. Consideration: Pawnee Fire Damages and Cost Recovery
- 7:45 6. Presentation: Fiscal Year 2018/2019 Capital Jobs Update
- 8:05 7. Directors' Reports: Report on meetings and conferences attended during the prior month on behalf of the District

- 8:10 8. Attorney's Report: Report on legal matters of concern to the District
- 8:15 9. General Manager's Report: Report regarding current general activities and projects of the District
- a) Operations, Maintenance, and Water Conditions
 - b) Financial Report
 - c) General Activities
 - d) Upcoming Events
- 8:30 10. General Discussion: Opportunity for clarification or additional information request
- 8:35 11. Consideration: Consider the approval and the payment of bills
- 8:40 12. Closed Session: Conference with Legal Counsel – Potential litigation
- Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2): One matter concerning the State Water Resources Control Board's proceedings related to the Bay-Delta Water Quality Control Plan Update.
- 8:50 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 & Water Conservation District, 34274 State Highway 16, Woodland, CA on November 30, 2018.

By: _____
Christina Cobey, Administrative Assistant

YOLO COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
AGENDA REPORT

MEETING DATE: December 4, 2018

ITEM #: 1

SUBJECT: Consideration: Adoption of the November 6, 2018 Regular Board Meeting Minutes

INITIATED OR BOARD
REQUESTED BY: STAFF
 OTHER _____

COORDINATED OR
APPROVED BY: Tim O'Halloran

ATTACHMENT YES NO
 DIRECTION

INFORMATION
 ACTION: MOTION
 RESOLUTION

BACKGROUND:

Pursuant to Section 54957.5 of the Brown Act, copies of the draft minutes are available to the public at the Board meeting prior to their approval.

Staff request the Directors call the Yolo County Flood Control & Water Conservation District (District) office if a correction is needed to be made to the draft minutes to clarify a substantial point or to correct content. Staff will then have time to make the appropriate change(s) and submit the revised draft for review to the Board and the public at the Board meeting.

RECOMMENDATION:

District staff recommend the adoption of the attached minutes with any corrections.



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**FLOOD CONTROL &
WATER CONSERVATION
DISTRICT**

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, November 6, 2018, 7:00 PM

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

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Yolo County Flood Control & Water Conservation District (District) was held at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 6, 2018, at its regular place of business, 34274 State Highway 16, Woodland, California. Director Rominger convened the meeting. The following people were in attendance:

District Board

Jim Mayer
Bruce Rominger
Erik Vink

District Staff

Tim O'Halloran, General Manager
Kristin Sicke, Assistant General Manager
Max Stevenson, Assistant General Manager

Members of the Public

Jim Barrett
John McKean
Dave Pratt

1. CONSIDERATION: Approval of Minutes

M/S/C approved the minutes of the October 2, 2018 regular Board meeting as submitted.

Ayes: Directors Mayer, Rominger, and Vink

Noes: None

Absent: Directors Barth and Kimball

Abstain: None

2. OPEN FORUM

There were no comments.

3. CONSIDERATION: Adding Items to the Posted Agenda

There were no changes made to the agenda.

4. CONSIDERATION: Pawnee Fire Damages and Cost Recovery

Assistant General Manager Kristin Sicke provided an update on the timeline and cost for repairing the damaged transmission power lines at Indian Valley Reservoir.

District staff recommended the Board declare continuation of emergency conditions related to the Pawnee Fire damages and cost recovery.

M/S/C declared continuation of emergency conditions related to the Pawnee Fire damages and cost recovery.

Ayes: Directors Mayer, Rominger, and Vink

Noes: None

Absent: Directors Barth and Kimball

Abstain: None

5. CONSIDERATION: Adoption of Yolo County Hazard Mitigation Plan

Assistant General Manager Kristin Sicke updated the Board on the District's participation in the Yolo County Operational Area Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan (Yolo County Hazard Mitigation Plan). The District has a Special District Profile in the Yolo Hazard Mitigation Plan, which identified the risks and vulnerabilities to the District and identifies mitigation projects and actions to help reduce those risks.

Sicke reported that the Yolo County Hazard Mitigation Plan is eligible for final approval by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) pending adoption by Yolo County and all participating jurisdictions. Sicke also informed the Board that once the Yolo County Hazard Mitigation Plan is adopted the District is eligible for hazard mitigation funding from FEMA.

Staff recommended the Board adopt the Yolo County Hazard Mitigation Plan.

M/S/C adopted the Yolo County Hazard Mitigation Plan.

Ayes: Directors Mayer, Rominger, and Vink

Noes: None

Absent: Directors Barth and Kimball

Abstain: None

6. PRESENTATION: Review of the 2017/2018 Irrigation Season

General Manager Tim O'Halloran reviewed the recently concluded irrigation season and highlighted the following items:

- 1. Length of the season:** The season started April 12 and concluded October 24, 2018.
- 2. Total water sales:** 124,605 acre-feet of water was delivered in the canal system.
- 3. System and canal efficiencies:** System losses were approximately 35% and canal losses were approximately 26%.
- 4. Groundwater usage:** The hydrograph of results from biannual groundwater level sampling revealed no surprises in groundwater usage for the 2018 irrigation season.
- 5. SCADA operations:** District staff continued to learn how to better utilize SCADA and staff added weather stations at Headquarters, and Indian Valley and Cache Creek Dams.
- 6. Pawnee fire impacts:** The fire affected the ability to make remote changes at the Indian Valley Dam; staff connected a generator to SCADA for performing operational changes at the Dam.
- 7. Lopac gate operations:** Gates were installed on the Yolo Central and Pleasant Prairie Canals; staff are currently working on resolving water lost through gates at the end of those canals.
- 8. Aquatic and terrestrial weed control:** It was a relatively trouble-free weed management season; colder water releases from Indian Valley Reservoir likely contributed to less aquatic weeds in the system; and pre-emergent applications are expected to start in December.
- 9. Spray policy for organic fields:** District staff drafted a spray policy for better serving organic growers.
- 10. SB X7-7 (flow measurement) compliance:** Over 30 flowmeters were added to the system for measuring farm field diversions; there are approximately 60 pump turnouts that still need flowmeters.
- 11. End of season protocol:** District staff discussed recommendations for resolving delivery inefficiencies at the end of the irrigation season.
- 12. Development of annual water report:** District staff continued to work on formatting and querying data for concisely reporting data in an annual water report.

7. DIRECTORS' REPORTS

Director Vink reported that he attended Bucks for Ducks 2018 on November 2, 2018.

Director Mayer reported that he participated in the Northern California Water Association (NCWA) Executive Committee meeting in October 2018, which discussed the Bay-Delta Plan and the ongoing process of coordinating Voluntary Settlement Agreements.

Directors Barth, Mayer and Vink attended the District's Harvest BBQ.

8. ATTORNEY'S REPORTS

There was nothing to report as Legal Counsel was not in attendance.

9. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

General Manager O'Halloran provided reports on the following:

- a) Operations, Maintenance, and Water Conditions – The Water Conditions Report and hydrographs of real-time groundwater monitoring wells were reviewed.
- b) Financial Report Summary – Highlights from the October 31, 2018 financial statements report were reviewed and the actual FY 2018/2019 Budget was compared to the projected FY 2018/2019 Budget.
- c) General Activities – A list of outreach activities and projects both in-house and coordinating with other agencies was reviewed.
- d) The following upcoming events were announced:
 1. November 12-13: Public Policy Institute of California's Water Priorities for California's Next Governor Event, Sacramento
 2. November 14: Association of California Water Agencies (ACWA) Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) Sub-Committee Meeting, Conference Call
 3. November 15: ACWA Region 2/4 Joint Tour and Program, District Shop
 4. November 15-16: California Economic Summit, Santa Rosa
 5. November 19: Water Resources Association of Yolo County/Yolo Subbasin Groundwater Agency (WRA/YSGA) Board of Directors' Meetings, Woodland Senior and Community Center
 6. November 27-29: ACWA Fall Conference 2018, San Diego
 7. December 3: Yolo County Hazard Mitigation Plan Meeting, Woodland
 8. December 8: District Holiday Party
 9. December 10: NCWA Water Management's Meeting, TBD
 10. December 10: NCWA Groundwater Management Task Force Meeting, Orland
 11. December 11: WRA/YSGA Executive Committee Meetings

10. GENERAL DISCUSSION

There was no general discussion.

11. CONSIDERATION: Payment of Bills

M/S/C approved the following claims for payment – Yolo County Flood Control & Water Conservation District Checks # 056202 – 056212.

Ayes: Directors Mayer, Rominger, and Vink

Noes: None

Absent: Directors Barth and Kimball

Abstain: None

12. ADJOURNMENT

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

Bruce Rominger, Director

ATTEST:

Tim O'Halloran, Secretary

YOLO COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

AGENDA REPORT

MEETING DATE: December 4, 2018

ITEM #: 4

SUBJECT: Presentation: Yolo County Resource Conservation District's Putah-Cache Arundo Eradication Program

INITIATED OR BOARD
REQUESTED BY: STAFF
 OTHER _____

COORDINATED OR
PREPARED BY: Tim O'Halloran
APPROVED BY: Tim O'Halloran

ATTACHMENT YES NO
 DIRECTION

INFORMATION
 ACTION: MOTION
 RESOLUTION

BACKGROUND:

Yolo County Resource Conservation District's Project Manager Tanya Meyer will present on Yolo County Resource Conservation District's (Yolo RCD) Putah-Cache Arundo Eradication Program. This is a collaborative program among a number of Yolo County jurisdictions including the Yolo RCD, Cache Creek Conservancy, Yolo County, and the District. Ms. Meyer has also been invited to speak briefly to any other new and ongoing Yolo RCD projects of relevance to the District.

RECOMMENDATION:

This agenda item is for informational purposes only. No Board action is required.

YOLO COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

AGENDA REPORT

MEETING DATE: December 4, 2018

ITEM #: 5

SUBJECT: Consideration: Pawnee Fire Damages and Cost Recovery

INITIATED OR BOARD
REQUESTED BY: STAFF
 OTHER _____

COORDINATED OR
PREPARED BY: Kristin Sicke
APPROVED BY: Tim O'Halloran

ATTACHMENT YES NO
 DIRECTION

INFORMATION
 ACTION: MOTION
 RESOLUTION

BACKGROUND:

The Pawnee Fire started on June 23, 2018 in the Spring Valley area of Lake County and burned 15,185 acres. While largely sparing the facilities at Indian Valley Reservoir, the Pawnee Fire damaged 39 of the District's power poles, which provide electricity to and transmission from the Hydroelectric Facility (Facility). The Facility requires electric power to make operational changes to the penstock, hydropower turbines, 60" butterfly valve, 60" Hollow Jet Valve, spillway gates, accelerographs, water treatment plant, and critical infrastructure.

On June 25, 2018, Governor Jerry Brown issued an emergency proclamation for Lake County due to the effects of the Pawnee Fire and allowed Federal Emergency Management Agency's Fire Management Assistant Grant (FMAG) to assist with mitigation, management, and control of the Pawnee Fire. At the July 3, 2018, Board meeting the Board confirmed and ratified the local emergency and authorized General Manager O'Halloran to represent the District as needed for state and federal cost recovery, if available. At the August 7, September 4, October 2, and November 6, 2018, Board meetings the Board declared the continuation of the emergency.

The power poles and associated power lines need to be restored as soon as possible to bring power and hydropower back online. District staff will provide the Board with an update on the timeline for repair and replacement of the damaged infrastructure.

RECOMMENDATION:

District staff recommend the Board declare continuation of emergency conditions related to the Pawnee Fire damages and cost recovery.

YOLO COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

AGENDA REPORT

MEETING DATE: December 4, 2018

ITEM #: 6

SUBJECT: Presentation: Fiscal Year 2018/2019 Capital Job Update

INITIATED OR BOARD
REQUESTED BY: STAFF
 OTHER _____

COORDINATED OR
PREPARED BY: Tim O'Halloran
APPROVED BY: Tim O'Halloran

ATTACHMENT YES NO
 DIRECTION

INFORMATION
 ACTION: MOTION
 RESOLUTION

BACKGROUND:

Staff will update the Board on the status of the capital jobs and purchases that are anticipated for the remainder of this fiscal year.

As the Board is aware, the capital budget is set by the amount of depreciation that is calculated and included in the budget. The Fiscal Year 2018/2019 Capital Jobs Budget was set at \$950,000. This amount is reduced by the District's State Water Resources Control Board's Loan Payment (Capay Dam Loan) of \$261,221. The remaining \$688,779 will be used to purchase or construct a wide variety of capital items including major (dams, hydroelectric, siphons, heavy equipment, etc.) and minor items (irrigation distribution structures, vehicles, office equipment, etc.). Staff will present an updated *Capital Prioritization Worksheet* and discuss the projects scheduled for implementation this winter and spring (FY 2018/2019).

While the General Manager has broad discretion to prioritize and initiate capital expenditures within the budgeted amount, it is customary to bring large budget items to the Board for their approval. The General Manager will be requesting Board approval to purchase a new mini-excavator and backhoe, which will be partially paid for through the California Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES) and Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) cost recovery process for the 2017 storm events.

RECOMMENDATION:

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