

**MINUTES of Executive Committee (EC) Meeting
Water Resources Association of Yolo County
January 5, 2016, 12:00 - 1:00 pm**

Present: Bill Marble, Cecilia Curry Tim O'Halloran, Elisa Sabatini, Kurt Balasek,
Kristin Sicke, Donna Gentile

1. **Call to Order:** Meeting was called to order by Bill Marble at 12:00 pm.
2. **Approve Agenda and Adding Items to the Posted Agenda:** Agenda approved as presented.
3. **Public Comment:** No public in attendance.
4. **Administrative Items:**
 - a) December 7, 2015 EC minutes were approved.
 - b) Review Financials FY2015-16: The EC reviewed the December 2015 financials. Projects receiving FY15-16 project budget funding are invoicing on schedule.
 - c) Review final draft WRA Annual 2015 Newsletter: The EC suggested a few minor wording changes. Donna will also make two other minor correction. The newsletter will be distributed to the WRA mailing list and included with the January Board agenda.
 - d) Yolo County Risk Assessment Workshop: Donna will attend this 1-hour preliminary workshop on January 14th at the County Administration building. She will gather pertinent information and report back to the EC regarding County affiliated JPA risk mitigation. This is a requirement resulting in auditing standards updates due to SB 1452.
 - e) Payments to approve - All payments were approved
5. **Update on Water Legislation & Regulatory Issues**

Tim informed that the 2016 legislative session has just started and he did not have anything to report.
6. **SGMA Planning & Implementation**
 - a) Facilitation Process Update: Tim gave a detailed update on activities. He anticipates that the Steering Committee will meet/talk next week. He will also speak with Dave Ceppos. He distributed a handout for his update. This SGMA update will also be given to the WRA Board at the January meeting. Tim's update covered five main topics outlined below and in the attached copy of his handout. Following is some additional information to his written update.
 1. *Groundwater Sustainability Agency (GSA) Development:* Tim reviewed the 90-day plan (Dec 2015 to Feb 2016).
 2. *Local efforts and outreach:* A separate, dedicated Yolo groundwater website has been established by YCFCWCD. Max Stevenson and Kristin Sicke from the District are populating website information and maintaining website requests to be added to the mailing list for future meetings and information. <http://yologroundwater.org/>
 3. *Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP):* Once the GSA has been formed the process will quickly move forward to GSP development. Under Tim's coordination, a proposal with Stanford University is being developed to compare previous subsidence results with satellite imagery at no cost to the WRA. The proposal is included in the attached SGMA update handout.
 4. *Temporary SWRCB permit for high-water diversions (winter water) to enhance groundwater recharge being pursued by YCFCWCD:*
 5. *Storm Water Grant Program being investigated:* The Westside-Sacramento IRWM group will develop a watershed-wide umbrella plan. This will be more of a cohesive compiling of existing plans. This Storm Water Grant Program is funding under Proposition 1 planning

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and implementation. Yolo County does not have a storm water plan and Consero Solutions is assisting with development of a plan.

- b) Basin Boundary adjustments letter to adjacent counties: Discussed under handout distributed in Item 6a. Dave Ceppos has reviewed and commented on the draft letter that will be sent to Solano, Colusa, Glenn and Sacramento counties. The EC comments from the December meeting were incorporated in this revised draft. The letter was also sent to Denise Sagara for review and will be presented at this week's Yolo County Farm Bureau board retreat that Tim is also attending. The 90-day basin boundary submittal process period to DWR has begun from January 1 to March 2016.
7. **Technical Committee (TC) & Westside IRWMP Update**: The December TC meeting was cancelled and Elisa had nothing additional to report. Next TC meeting is January 7th. Elisa informed that Cindy Tuttle will be leaving the County at the end of January and will be working for the City of West Sacramento to be the Director of Parks. She will give her final Delta update to the WRA Board at the January meeting.
8. **WRA Board Meeting**
- a) January 11, 2016 Board meeting agenda items: The EC confirmed the following presentations for January and other agenda items listed below.
- SGMA Updates: Facilitation and Public Outreach Planning, Dave Ceppos/CCP; SGMA related activities, Tim O'Halloran
 - WEAP Model Presentation, David Purkey, Stockholm Environment Institute (Tim confirmed)
 - Annual WRA Newsletter The Year in Review: 2015
 - Resolution acknowledging Sid England's retirement (Donna will draft and circulate to EC)
- b) Future Board Meeting Topics – On-going list (alphabetical):
New meeting topics discussed in 2015:
- Desalination projects – Kurt has identified a speaker(s) for a 2016 presentation
 - Effects of Fire on the Watershed – Kurt confirmed Rich Marovich for a 2016 presentation
 - Mercury 1995 Study Update to be released in spring 2016, Dr. Slotton/UCD – Elisa contact
 - Annual Water Resources Conditions - Tim O'Halloran
 - Central Valley Flood Protection Plan - MWH/DWR (Janet Atkinson 916-803-4779)
 - Davis-Woodland Surface Water Supply Project Update, WDCWA
 - Delta Counties Coalition update
 - Delta related planning updates, allow time to discuss at each meeting (Yolo County, NCWA)
 - Drought Conditions Update
 - Flood Update – pending TC discussions and recommendations on what/who to present
 - Lower Cache Creek Feasibility Study Update (Tim Busch/City of Woodland)
 - Member agency concerns, such as West Sac and flood protection
 - Mercury issues and TMDL's
 - North Bay Aqueduct Project (SCWA) - progress updates
 - RD 2035 Joint Intake project update
 - RWA, John Woodling, Update on priority issues for the new year
 - Speakers representing positions/interests seen as potential threats to our region
 - Underground well conditions update
 - Water quality

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- Water rate studies - sharing results of
- Water re-use projects
- Westside IRWMP process updates - ongoing
- WRA Board Strategic Planning Session: FY15-16 dues increase?
- WRA funded projects, lead partners update (at end of FY)
- Yolo IRWMP Foundational Actions update
- Yolo IRWMP Foundational Actions Update by TC (tie-in to FY budget process)

9. Other Updates & Future Executive Committee Agenda Items – Nothing discussed

10. Next Executive Committee Meeting Date: Monday, February 8, 2016, **12:30 pm**

11. Adjourned at 1:00 pm

Respectfully submitted,



Donna L. Gentile
Board Secretary & Administrative Coordinator