

**MINUTES of Executive Committee (EC) Meeting
Water Resources Association of Yolo County
June 13, 2016, 12:00-1:00 pm**

Present: Bill Marble, Cecilia Aguiar-Curry, Elisa Sabatini, Kurt Balasek, Tim O'Halloran, Kristin Sicke and 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:** Approved as presented.
3. **Public Comment:** No public in attendance.
4. **Administrative Items:**
 - a) May 10, 2016 EC minutes were approved.
 - b) Review Financials FY2015-16: The EC reviewed the May 2016 financials.
 - c) Review FY2015-16 projected fiscal year end budget summary: Donna discussed the projected fiscal year end summary that will be presented at the June 20 WRA Board meeting under Consent Items. The Subsidence Monitoring and City of Davis/Woodland projects will not be sending final invoices until after July, therefore final year end net assets will be adjusted accordingly as these expenses are received. An updated fiscal year end will be reported to the Board at the September Board meeting.
 - d) Review proposed FY2016-17 budget, TC project fund allocations report/budget: The EC reviewed the proposed FY16-17 budget for adoption at the June 20 Board meeting. Several corrections were noted to be made to the budget. Donna realized that the \$5,500 audit expense was accidentally included in the FY16-17 proposed budget and will be deleted. Administrative expenditures should be approximately \$96,000. The budget adoption process will also include approval of the TC's recommendations for Project Fund Budget allocations as noted on pages 15 and 16 of the EC agenda.
 - e) Payments to approve: All payments were approved

5. Update on Water Legislation & Regulatory Issues

Tim reported that Senator Wolk's SB 1317 made it through the Committee and Senate, but it likely won't make it through the Assembly process. Tim also discussed Assemblyman Dodd's AB 1755 that intends to standardize information from various statewide water databases. DWR is actively involved in the database management and updating process. DWR is also resolving issues with the CASGEM database uploading process. Tim would like to invite Dan McManus, DWR, to a future WRA Board meeting to discuss groundwater-related topics.

Kristin gave an update on the Governor's May Executive Order that outlines permanent urban and ag conservation guidelines and monthly reporting to the State. Current law requires ag districts serving 25,000 acres or more to file an Agricultural Water Management Plan, but the threshold has been lowered to irrigation districts serving 10,000 acres or more. The State is trying to streamline and coordinate Agricultural Water Management Plan requirements with SGMA and Irrigated Lands Regulatory Program (ILRP) reporting requirements and regulations. Denise Sagara, Yolo County Farm Bureau, and Bruce Houdesheldt, Northern California Water Association, are both very involved in local coalitions that are monitoring the SGMA and ILRP interfacing process.

6. SGMA Planning & Implementation

- a) Facilitated Public Outreach & GSA Governance discussions: Tim reported on the Steering Committee's first meeting to discuss GSA governance development. All 33 GSA-eligible entities in Yolo County were invited to this meeting and about 20 agencies attended. Tim, Kristin, and

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Dave Ceppos discussed and created a milestone timeline for GSA development working backwards from the June 30, 2017 deadline. The next step is to determine which of the eligible entities want to be part of the GSA structure.

- b) Other SGMA related activities: DWR will hold a meeting on July 15 from 3-6 pm in West Sacramento to present Draft Approved Basin Boundary Modifications. DWR should be contacting the WRA in advance of this date to let us know whether our draft request is approved.

Bill asked whether the WRA Board needs to make any decisions or approvals related to SGMA at the June meeting. The Board only needs to be aware of SGMA activities and endorse the SGMA process and timeline continuing as coordinated by the Steering Committee. Tim will be giving a SGMA report to the Board on June 20.

7. **Technical Committee (TC) & Westside IRWMP Update:** Elisa informed that Prop. 1 Storm Water Planning Grant awards and whether the WRA was a successful applicant should be release by the end of June. Tim reported on the June 2 TC meeting (Elisa was absent due to car trouble that sidelined her from attending the meeting). The main focus of the meeting was discussion of the FY16-17 Project Fund Budget requests. After a concerted and collaborative approach, the TC decided 8 of the 12 project requests would be recommended for allocation to the WRA Board on June 20.

8. **WRA Board Meeting**

- a) June 20, 2016- Finalize agenda items: The EC agreed to activate the Nominating Committee to discuss 2017 officers and appointments. Tim and Donna will coordinate reaching out to the previous Committee members to serve on the 2016 Nominating Committee. The Committee will make their recommendations to the Board at the November 14, 2016 Board meeting. The EC finalized the June 20 agenda.

- Consent: Resolution in recognition of Chair Marble
- Consent: Propose and adopt 2017 board meeting schedule
- Consent: FY2015-16 projected fiscal year end summary and WRA Accomplishments
- Consent: FY2016-17 budget adoption (with TC project fund recommendations)
- Appointment of Vice-chair to Chair and report that EC will activate Nominating Committee
- SGMA Activities: Facilitated Public Outreach Update & GSA Governance -Tim O.

- b) Future Board Meeting Topics – On-going list (alphabetical):

Board meeting topics recently discussed:

- Desalination projects – Kurt identified a speaker for a 2016 presentation
- Effects of Fire on the Watershed – Kurt confirmed Rich Marovich for a 2016 presentation
- Mercury 1995 Study Update expected to be released in late 2016, Dr. Slotton/UCD – Elisa contact
- November 2016 Board Officer Elections and Appointments – Nominating Committee recommendations

- c) On-going meeting topics:

- 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

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- 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
- Water rate studies – sharing results
- Water re-use projects
- Westside IRWMP process updates - ongoing
- WRA Board Strategic Planning Session: coordinate with a potential dues increase?
- WRA funded projects, lead project partner update at end of FY (as appropriate)
- 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: July 18, 2016, 12-1 pm, Woodland City Hall.

11. Adjourned at 1:00 pm

Respectfully submitted,



Donna L. Gentile

Board Secretary & Administrative Coordinator