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Technical Committee Meeting

Thursday, October 5, 2017, 9:30 – 10:30 am

Yolo County Flood Control & Water Conservation District,
34274 State Highway 16, Woodland, CA 95695

AGENDA

1. **Call to Order & Introductions**
2. **Approve Agenda and Adding Items to the Posted Agenda:** In order to add an item to the agenda, it must fit into 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.
3. **Approval of Technical Committee (TC) Minutes:** August 3, 2017 meeting minutes (attached) will be approved by consensus through email communications. Please comment by 10/6/17, pages 2 - 4
4. **Public Comment:** The public may address the Committee relating to matters within the WRA's jurisdiction.
5. **DWR Update:** (Barrett Kaasa, DWR) - Update on topics of interest to the Technical Committee
6. **Funding Updates:** Discuss funding opportunities and updates on awarded grants.
 - Storm Water Planning Grant Working Group Update (Kristin Sicke, YCFC&WCD), Working Group meeting will be held following today's WRA TC meeting.
7. **Water Legislation, Regulatory Issues & Delta Updates** (Tim O'Halloran, NCWA, & TC members)
8. **Westside-Sacramento IRWMP** - Update from Coordinating Committee on activates as appropriate
9. **Yolo Subbasin Groundwater Agency (YSGA) Update** (Tim O'Halloran)
Current activities of the YSGA including the Sustainable Groundwater Planning Grant Program proposal
10. **Member Information & Future Agenda Items:** Committee members are invited to recommend topics for future meetings and report on current issues/activities.
Future Agenda Items Suggested:
 - RD 108's Flow Meter Program;
 - Putah Creek Project Tour, Winters/LPPCC (>Project Phase 3);
 - RD 2035 Sacramento River Joint Intake facility tour
11. **Next TC Meeting Date: Thursday, November 2, 2017, LOCATION:** Yolo County Flood Control & WCD, 34274 State Highway 16, Woodland. (The TC reserves the 3rd Thursday of the month for an additional meeting as needed.)
12. **Adjourn**
I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing agenda for the October 5, 2017 meeting of the Technical Committee for the Water Resources Association of Yolo County was posted by September 29, 2017 at the office located at 34274 State Highway 16, Woodland, CA and was available to the public during normal business hours.

Donna L. Gentile

Board Secretary & Administrative Coordinator

**MINUTES of Technical Committee (TC) Meeting
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August 3, 2017, 8:30 - 10:30 a.m.**

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Committee Members:

Elisa Sabatini, Yolo County, TC Chair	Tim O'Halloran, YCFC&WCD
Ryan Burnett, City of West Sacramento	Kristin Sicke, YCFC&WCD
Bill Brewster, DWR	Donita Hendrix, Dunnigan Water District
Greg Meyer, City of Woodland	Craig Locke, City of Woodland
Dawn Calciano, City of Davis	Donna Gentile, WRA

Other Attendees:

John McKean	Dave Pratt
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Member Agencies Absent:

RD 2035	University of CA Davis
RD 108	City of Winters

1. **CALL TO ORDER & Introductions** at 8:30 a.m. by Kristin Sicke. Elisa Sabatini, TC Chair, was slightly delayed in arriving to the meeting.
2. **APPROVAL AGENDA & Adding Items to Posted Agenda:** The agenda was approved as presented.
3. **APPROVE MEETING MINUTES:** Previous meeting minutes were emailed to the TC for review with today's agenda. Comments on the draft 7/6/17 minutes are due by 8/4/17.
4. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** No public comments.
5. **CALIFORNIA DEPT. OF WATER RESOURCES (DWR) Update:** Bill Brewster, gave an update on DWR topics and answered questions.
 - State Water Resources Control Board has an interactive online map that shows un-managed GSA areas: http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/gmp/index.shtml
 - In June, DWR released two draft Groundwater Sustainability Plan guidance documents: "Stakeholder Communication and Engagement" and "Engagement with Tribal Governments" which can be found here: <http://www.water.ca.gov/groundwater/sgm/bmps.cfm>. DWR is looking for feedback on these documents by August 28th.
 - Initial Basin Boundary Modification notifications opened again on July 1, 2017. Submission period opens from January to March 2018. Visit the DWR webpage for more information about the process: http://www.water.ca.gov/groundwater/sgm/basin_boundaries.cfm
 - A Draft PSP was released for the Prop. 1 Groundwater Sustainability Plans and Projects. Comment period is closed and DWR is compiling comments for the final PSP. When final PSP is released, the first open filing period will start about 2-3 weeks after. There will be a second filing period at the end of next year. <http://water.ca.gov/irwm/grants/sgwp/solicitation.cfm>
 - Groundwater Sustainability Plan development Facilitation Support Services applications are available online, http://www.water.ca.gov/groundwater/sgm/facilitation_services.cfm. The Technical Support Services are still being determined. The process will be similar to the Facilitation application process.
6. **FUNDING UPDATES:**
 - Kristin Sicke gave an update on activities related to the Storm Water Resource Plan grant. Participating agencies are working on providing their project information forms for the Plan. The deadline to submit the information forms was extended to 8/4/17. The next working group meeting will be September 7th

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after the WRA Technical Committee meeting. Kennedy/Jenks will do an initial prioritization of the submitted projects.

- Kristin got an update from Bill Vanderwaal on Sites Reservoir. They are finishing their application to apply for Prop. 1 water storage funding that is due August 14th. They are seeking \$1.6 billion. Investor agencies are willing to participate and agree to fund 404,000 acre-feet. The project could move forward even if the California Water Commission does not approve their funding request.

7. WATER LEGISLATION & REGULATORY ISSUES UPDATE: The following items were discussed.

- Elisa reported that preliminary discussions among the Delta Counties Coalition indicate that San Joaquin and Sacramento Counties are considering filing a lawsuit regarding the proposed Delta Plan amendments as reviewed in the Notice of Preparation for a Draft Program Environmental Impact Report.
- SB 623 (Monning) – This bill is proposing to establish a special fund for DACs that do not have safe drinking water. If proposed language is added, it would impose a statewide fee on water deliveries (public goods charge), as well as a tax on fertilizer, and many public water agencies would likely find that unacceptable.
- SB 252 (Dodd) – Requiring greater transparency and opportunity for local input before new groundwater well permits are issued in critically overdrafted basins. Wouldn't impact Yolo because we are not listed as critical but many concerned about the precedent it could set during SGMA implementation.
- Chromium 6 MCL regulations - The State decided to take an accelerated look at before new MCL regulations go into effect to include an economic feasibility justification for the proposed limits in response to lawsuits that were filed.

8. FLOOD RECOVERY UPDATE: Elisa reported that the County has been working through the Office of Emergency Services (OES) with all local agencies on flood recovery funding. She presented a County letter sent to all state and federal representatives regarding a request for state funding for repairs of the State Plan of Flood Control levees from the 2017 winter storms. Several TC members reported on their efforts to secure FEMA funding for winter flood damages. Elisa reminded that if anyone is having difficulties with this process, they should contact Yolo County OES.

9. WRA PROJECT FUND FY2017-18: The WRA is not allocating any funding for small projects in FY17-18 other than our continued commitment under the Westside-Sacramento IRWMP MOU agreement.

- Westside-Sacramento IRWMP – Donna reported that the WRA's \$20,000 fiscal year cost share will be funded from the WRA's retained earnings account in lieu of the fact that the WRA will not receive membership dues directly this fiscal year.

10. UPDATE on YOLO SUBBASIN GROUNDWATER AGENCY (YSGA): Tim O'Halloran reported that a formal Technical Committee will be established for the YSGA. A YSGA Working Group meeting will tentatively be scheduled for the end of August to discuss this and other next steps/activities. Legal agreements are being drafted by legal counsel for services with the WRA, YCFC&WCD and others. An application for general liability insurance has been submitted for consideration to ACWA JPIA. Tim reviewed other administrative items that staff is working on including preparation for the September 18th Board meeting.

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11. MEMBER INFORMATION & FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS – The YCFC&WCD, cities of West Sacramento, Davis, & Woodland, and Dunnigan Water District brief updates on recent activities.

Future Agenda Items Suggested:

- RD 108's Flow Meter Program
- Tour of RD 2035 Joint Intake facility
- Putah Creek Project, Winters tour re-visit after Phase 3 (Rich Marovich)

12. NEXT REGULAR TC MEETING DATE: September 7, 2017, 8:30 - 10:30 a.m., at the YCFC&WCD, 34274 State Highway 16, Woodland.

13. ADJOURN at 10:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna L. Gentile,
Board Secretary & Administrative Coordinator