

**MINUTES of Technical Committee (TC) Meeting  
Water Resources Association of Yolo County  
November 2, 2017, 9:30 - 10:30 a.m.**

**Committee Members:**

Elisa Sabatini, Yolo County, TC Chair  
Bill Vanderwaal, RD 108  
Barrett Kaasa, DWR  
Jordon Power, City of Woodland  
Carol Scianna, City of Winters  
Donna Gentile, WRA

Tim O'Halloran, YCFC&WCD  
Jeanette Wrynski, Yolo County RCD  
Heather Nichols, Yolo County RCD  
Dawn Calciano, City of Davis  
Kristin Sicke, YCFC&WCD,

**Other Attendees:**

Dave Pratt

John McKean

**Member Agencies Absent:**

RD 2035  
City of West Sacramento

University of CA Davis  
Dunnigan Water District

1. **CALL TO ORDER & Introductions** at 9:30 a.m. by Elisa Sabatini.
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 10/5/17 minutes are due by 11/3/17.
4. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** John McKean asked YCFC&WCD for an update on Moore Siphon repairs.
5. **CALIFORNIA DEPT. OF WATER RESOURCES (DWR) Update:** Barrett Kaasa, gave an update on DWR topics and answered questions.
  - *Groundwater Planning Grant Program* deadline for PSPs is November 13<sup>th</sup>.
  - *Basin Boundary Modifications* submission start period is likely to be delayed a bit, because the basin prioritization is pending approval and is still under management review. Yolo submitted a notice to modify basin boundaries. Barrett indicated this will likely not be approved by DWR as submitted because it strands a small area (~RD307) without coverage between the Solano and Yolo subbasins. DWR is discussing this with both Yolo and Solano to resolve.
  - *Oroville Spillway* – The lower half fix is completed and the upper half is scheduled for repair during the next dry season.
6. **FUNDING UPDATES:**
  - Kristin Sicke gave an update on the Storm Water Resource Plan (SWRP) Working Group activities. The Working Group will be meeting directly after the WRA TC meeting this morning. Several SWRP draft sections are completed. They are working on the quantitative analysis and benefits with SEI. Development the implementation section is challenging. Jeanette indicated that she anticipates a discussion on how to approach the IRWMP update at the Westside-Sacramento Coordinating Committee at their November 8<sup>th</sup> meeting in Lake County.
  - Kristin reported that the Yolo Subbasin Groundwater Agency is preparing their *Groundwater Planning Grant Program* PSP for submission by November 13<sup>th</sup>.

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**7. WATER LEGISLATION, REGULATORY ISSUES & DELTA UPDATE:**

- Elisa Sabatini gave some background on Yolo's Delta flood protection planning that was initiated as a result of the 2012 Central Valley Flood Protection Plan (CVFPP). Yolo participates in the Lower Sacramento/Delta North (LS/DN) Regional group, which includes Yolo County, West Sacramento Area Flood Control Agency, RD 2068, Solano County, Solano County Water Agency and the Sacramento Area Flood Control Agency. The LS/DN is the only group in the State that received additional funding to continue their planning efforts – an additional \$650,000. This is largely because the updated CVFPP identifies early implementation projects and most of the early implementation actions are located in the Yolo Bypass. Elisa reviewed the draft map distributed of the Lower Sacramento/Delta Regional Improvements Concepts that was created by the local regional flood management-planning group. The map illustrates short, medium and long-term local projects in Yolo and Solano counties. A public review draft will be circulated for comments. A final draft is anticipated about June 2018. These improvement projects will provide a regional agricultural baseline, cumulative hydraulic analysis/impact of the projects and an analysis of the ecosystem restoration proposed in conjunction with the listed projects. The agricultural baseline will serve as a means to incorporate project mitigation and sustainability strategies. Elisa answered questions.
- Tim O'Halloran reported that Jerry Meral is still promoting his proposed water bond for the 2018 ballot. The legislature is currently on recess.

**8. WESTSIDE-SACRAMENTO IRWMP UPDATE:** Jeanette Wrsyinski gave an update on the Westside's SWRP participation under Item 6. The next Coordinating Committee meeting will be 11/8/17 at 10 am in Lakeport. Conference call-in information will be available with the agenda that she will email later today. She reported the Westside-Sacramento IRWMP approved funding for Dr. Stephen McCord and a colleague to attend the national EPA Brownfields conference in Pittsburg in November. He will also be presenting at this conference on his watershed mercury identification and prioritization assessment for the Westside-Sacramento IRWMP. Jeanette gave a summary of what the project has accomplished to-date. Sites are being identified for their implementation funding eligibility.

**9. YOLO SUBBASIN GROUNDWATER AGENCY (YSGA) UPDATE:** Tim O'Halloran reminded that the next Board of Directors meeting is 11/13/17 at 3:30 pm (directly after the 3 pm WRA Board meeting). He discussed the items that will be on the November 13<sup>th</sup> agenda. The Board will be approving several administrative agreements include one between the YSGA and WRA. This agreement will fund the WRA's operating budget and also funds WRA staff to provide administrative support for YSGA. A recommendation for a representative to fill the environmental Board seat is being discussed by a special adhoc subcommittee. The subcommittee will present their recommendation to the YSGA Board after suggestions are vetted. Tim gave a brief overview of a map illustrating real-time groundwater monitoring sites.

**10. MEMBER INFORMATION & FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS** – The YCFC&WCD, Winters, Woodland, and Yolo County gave brief updates on recent activities.

Barrett added that DWR will hold an Emergency Flood Response grant webinar on December 14th, a live meeting on December 13<sup>th</sup>. Application deadline is January 29, 2018.

<http://www.water.ca.gov/floodmgmt/funding/flood-ER.cfm>

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New Future Agenda Items Suggested:

- Bill Vanderwaal, RD 108, offered to host a tour of the Wallace Weir project if the TC is interested in the next month or so. The TC acknowledged their interest in a tour. Bill will identify a date and coordinate with Donna to send out email invitations.
- Elisa requested a future agenda item for the TC to discuss the future of the WRA's small project fund budget and the possibility reinstating that funding opportunity.

Previous 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)

**11. NEXT REGULAR TC MEETING DATE:** December 7, 2017

**12. ADJOURN** at 10:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Donna L. Gentile  
Board Secretary & Administrative Coordinator