

**MINUTES of Technical Committee (TC) Meeting  
Water Resources Association of Yolo County  
August 2, 2018, 9:00 - 10:30 a.m.**

**Committee Members:**

Tim O'Halloran, YCFC&WCD, Acting TC Chair	Kristin Sicke, YCFC&WCD
Jeanette Wrynski, Yolo County RCD	Bryan Busch, Reclamation District (RD) 2068
Barrett Kaasa, DWR	Dawn Calciano, City of Davis
Craig Locke, City of Woodland	Carol Scianna, City of Winters
Bill Vanderwaal, RD 108 & Dunnigan Water Dist.	Donna Gentile, WRA

**Other Attendees:**

Dave Pratt	John McKean
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**Member Agencies Absent:**

RD 2035	University of CA Davis
City of West Sacramento	Yolo County

1. **CALL TO ORDER & Introductions** at 9:00 a.m. by Tim O'Halloran.
2. **APPROVAL AGENDA & Adding Items to Posted Agenda:** The agenda was approved.
3. **APPROVE TC MEETING MINUTES:** Previous meeting minutes emailed to the TC for review with today's agenda. Comments on the draft 4/5/18 minutes are due by 8/3/18 and will be approved by consensus.
4. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** No public comments.
5. **CALIFORNIA DEPT. OF WATER RESOURCES (DWR) Update:** Barrett Kaasa, gave an update on DWR topics and answered questions. His update is attached at the end of the minutes.
6. **FUNDING UPDATES:** Nothing additional discussed.
7. **WATER LEGISLATION, REGULATORY ISSUES & DELTA UPDATE:**
  - Tim O'Halloran and Bill Vanderwaal – State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) released draft Environmental document for the Bay-Delta Water Quality Control Plan update for the Lower San Joaquin River and Southern Delta. Tim asked Bill to give an update on this process. SWRCB continues its progress on efforts to update the flow requirements for the Sacramento River, Delta and their tributaries. Their proposal continues to recommend requiring 40% of unimpaired flows from February to June. The Bureau of Reclamation and other agencies have sent opposition letters to the SWRCB. The Bureau is asking for more time to look at the science used for their recommendations. Tim explained the impacts and issues of unimpaired versus functional flows in more detail. For more information from ACWA: <https://www.acwa.com/resources/bay-delta-plan-resources/>. (Post meeting note: Public meeting on August 21-22. Final action will be taken at a future Board meeting: [https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/board\\_info/calendar/#20180821](https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/board_info/calendar/#20180821).)
  - Carol Scianna reported that the City's most northern well has tested positive for 1,2,3,-TCP (Trichloropropane) and it is over the new MCL limits. The Department of Drinking Water recently adopted a new mcl of 5 parts per trillion. Winters has been contacted by a law firm representing other Central Valley water districts trying to sue Dow and Shell Chemical companies regarding pesticide and herbicide contamination of groundwater wells.
8. **YOLO SUBBASIN GROUNDWATER AGENCY (YSGA) UPDATE:** Tim reported that SEI has completed the urban water balances. Next they will be working on the rural water balances with the

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Reclamation Districts. Tim elaborated on SEI's work and the information it is providing for the development of the Groundwater Sustainability Plan. A Basin Boundary Modification will be submitted to DWR that includes RD 999 and RD 150. In case it does not work out for RD 307 to be part of the North Delta Subbasin, then we will include them in the Yolo Subbasin.

**9. REGIONAL PROJECT UPDATES:**

Westside-Sacramento Regional Water Management Group Coordinating Committee (CC)

Activities: Donna informed that the CC asked Max Stevenson and Elisa Sabatini to develop a white paper to outline the benefits and value of membership for its MOU partners before recommending a proposed cost share increase. The white paper should be available at the next CC meeting. Jeanette explained the different process for the next rounds of IRWM funding. There will be one workshop per region. Our region is the Sacramento River Funding Area (SRFA). Any agency interested in applying for funding will need to present a project PowerPoint at the workshop for DWR's feedback prior to proceeding with the online application process. The Westside CC will be releasing a Call for Projects for our region in preparation for the workshop. Only \$13.7 million is available for the entire SRFA. She reported on the status of the Westside IRWMP chapters update which is in the final review phase. She answered questions about the project ranking and prioritization process. The next CC meeting is scheduled for September 12<sup>th</sup> at 10 am in Napa. Please contact Jeanette for any additional information about the Westside activities: [wrysinski@yolorcd.org](mailto:wrysinski@yolorcd.org).

**10. UPDATE on LARGE LANDSCAPE WATER CONSERVATION AUDIT PROJECT** (cities of Woodland, Davis, and West Sacramento): Dawn Calciano, City of Davis, gave an update conducted by the cities' water conservation coordinators with the irrigation audit program participants. A portion of this project was funded by the WRA's FY2016-17 project budget. The three cities attempted to contact the property managers to see whether they implemented suggestions from the audit. Her summary of the follow-up survey is included at the end of these minutes.

**11. MEMBER INFORMATION & FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS – YCFC&WCD, RD 108, Yolo County RCD, RD2068 and Davis** gave brief updates on current activities for their agencies.

Future Agenda Items Suggested:

- City of Davis AquaHawk software presentation (proposed roll-out in August/September)
- SEI Update on WEAP model
- 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:** October 4, 2018, 9 to 10:30 am

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

Respectfully submitted,



Donna L. Gentile

Board Secretary & Administrative Coordinator



**California Department of Water Resources  
Division of Integrated Regional Water Management  
North Central Region Office**

Prepared for **Yolo WRA TC Meeting**,  
Thursday, August 2, 2018.

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**A. Funding Opportunities**

*DWR Financial Assistance Branch ([water.ca.gov/Work-With-Us/Grants-And-Loans](http://water.ca.gov/Work-With-Us/Grants-And-Loans))*

→ Sustainable Groundwater Planning Grants

Program Website: [water.ca.gov/Work-With-Us/Grants-And-Loans/Sustainable-Groundwater](http://water.ca.gov/Work-With-Us/Grants-And-Loans/Sustainable-Groundwater)

- DWR is currently working on grant agreements with the grantees
- No reimbursements until grant agreements are finalized
- Goal is to finalize agreements by August 15<sup>th</sup> – not a hard deadline
- 50% Cost share reduction available for basins with DACs/SDACs/EDAs

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→ Flood Emergency Response Grant Program

Program Website: [water.ca.gov/News/Blog/All-Blog-Posts/FloodER-grants-round-3-2018](http://water.ca.gov/News/Blog/All-Blog-Posts/FloodER-grants-round-3-2018)

- Draft awards released in June 2018
- Public comment period closed on June 27, 2018
- Yolo County, RD 108, and Sac River West Side Levee District were awarded funding

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→ Central Valley Tributary Program

Program Website: [water.ca.gov/Work-With-Us/Grants-And-Loans/central-valley-tributaries-program](http://water.ca.gov/Work-With-Us/Grants-And-Loans/central-valley-tributaries-program)

- Draft guidelines released May 2018
- Public comment period for draft guidelines closed on July 20, 2018
- Projects must include flood risk reduction and wildlife habitat benefits
- \$36 million total funding to distribute across the eligible funding area (Central Valley)
- Cost share 50%, can be reduced to 30% depending on project details, possibly lower depending on DAC/SDAC benefits

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→ 2018 IRWM Implementation Funding

Program Website: [water.ca.gov/Work-With-Us/Grants-And-Loans/IRWM-Grant-Programs](http://water.ca.gov/Work-With-Us/Grants-And-Loans/IRWM-Grant-Programs)

- Draft PSP expected September 2018
- Estimated grant application deadline of April 2019

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## **B. Sustainable Groundwater Management (SGM) Updates**

*DWR Sustainable Groundwater Management Office*

*([water.ca.gov/Programs/Groundwater-Management/SGMA-Groundwater-Management](http://water.ca.gov/Programs/Groundwater-Management/SGMA-Groundwater-Management))*

→ Basin Boundary Modifications

Program Website: [water.ca.gov/Programs/Groundwater-Management/Basin-Boundary-Modifications](http://water.ca.gov/Programs/Groundwater-Management/Basin-Boundary-Modifications)

- Basin boundary modification submission period extended to September 28, 2018
- Draft modifications are expected to be released in November 2018
- Final Modifications are expected in February 2019

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→ 2018 Basin Prioritization

Program Website: [water.ca.gov/Programs/Groundwater-Management/Basin-Prioritization](http://water.ca.gov/Programs/Groundwater-Management/Basin-Prioritization)

- Public comment period extended to August 20, 2018
- Final prioritization of basins not affected by modifications expected November 2018
- Final prioritization for all basins expected by May 2019
- Results and datasets available online
- Additional applicable data can be uploaded to DWR's website by local agencies
- Public comment website: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/SG2N83R>
- Prioritization FAQ recently updated, available on program website

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→ Technical Support Services

Program Website: [water.ca.gov/Programs/Groundwater-Management/Assistance-and-Engagement](http://water.ca.gov/Programs/Groundwater-Management/Assistance-and-Engagement)

- The first round of TSS will be focused on filling data gaps with monitoring well construction, video logging, other well services
- Funding first come first served, based on driller availability, and approved applications

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