

GLENN COUNTY WATER ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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MINUTES

Meeting Date: Tuesday, December 9, 2014

Time: 1:30 pm

Place: Glenn-Colusa Irrigation District
344 East Laurel Street
Willows, CA 95988

Water Advisory Committee Members Present:

Larry Domenighini	Glenn County Farm Bureau
Ted Trimble	Western Canal Water District
Mike Alves	KWD/GWD
Mark Lohse	At Large Private Pumper
Bruce Roundy	Resource Conservation District
Sandy Willard-Denn	GCID
Ken Sullivan	Orland Unit Water Users Association

Others in Attendance:

Lisa Hunter	Glenn Co. Ag Dept.
Erin Smith	DWR
Brian Taylor	Glenn Co. Ag Dept.
Del Reimers	
Barbara Hennigan	BSBAGU
Vickie Newlin	Butte County
Mark Atlas	PID/PCGID/KWD/GWD

Water Advisory Committee Members Absent:

Darin Titus	Private Pumper
David Alves	Central River Irrigation Districts
Mike Vereschagin	TC Canal Authority Districts
Rob Vlach	At Large Private Pumper
John Garner	At Large Private Pumper

Technical Advisory Committee Members Present:

Roy Hull	DWR
Ben Pennock	Central Area
Lance Boyd	PID/PCGID
Matt Gomes	Glenn County PPWA

- I. INTRODUCTIONS: Those in attendance introduced themselves.
- II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Draft minutes from the previous meetings on June 10 and October 23, 2014 were approved as submitted.
- III. AGENDA ITEMS:

A. Public Comment: None.

B. Discussion & Action Items:

1. Update on member vacancies

An application has been received for the one remaining vacancy on the WAC for the East Side Irrigation and Reclamation Districts, by Mr. Terry Bressler, manager of RD 1004. It was heard at

the Board of Supervisors meeting last week and is currently being held over to be considered next week.

Del Reimers requested that the Rangeland Association be considered for a seat on the WAC. They represent the area west of Road D. It was discussed that if a private pumper position became open, a member of that group would qualify to apply for the position.

2. Reports

- a) TAC update: The Technical Advisory Committee's final recommendation for revised basin management areas was presented and discussed. The boundaries are closer aligned to hydrologic areas and DWR Bulletin 118 basins. Generally the boundaries were drawn by using Bulletin 118 boundaries, fault lines, and canal lines. Handouts were provided. Discussion also took place regarding the formation of potential GSAs and how these boundaries could fit in to the upcoming work. Mike Alves motioned to approve the recommendation. The motion was seconded by Ms. Willard-Denn and carried unanimously. The Abnormal Groundwater Level Reports process will be discussed at the next TAC meeting scheduled for Monday, December 15.

- b) Education / Outreach Committee update: The committee has met twice thus far and has planned 3 outreach meetings (one each in Willows, Orland, and Ord Bend) in February. The meetings are planned for the evenings to allow for a larger number of attendees. The Rangeland Association is also sponsoring a meeting, which will be handled separately, but in the same timeframe. These will be informational meetings, not policy. A summary handout was provided. The group plans to meet again in early January. Discussion from the WAC included suggestions on which neutral party could provide the legislation presentation and potential meeting locations. If anyone has a suggestion for a speaker for the legislation presentation or for a moderator, contact Mr. Domenighini or Ms. Hunter.

- c) Legislation Committee update: The committee is reviewing the timelines and definitions found within the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act. Mr. Domenighini presented a summary of the Act. A handout was provided and can be used a reference guide of the highlights of the Act. The Board of Supervisors will receive a briefing next Tuesday, December 16.

3. Other Topics of Interest

Mike Alves commented on the process for the Abnormal Groundwater Level Reports. It was suggested that the information in the reports be forwarded to the WAC when received rather than brought to the next WAC meeting. The process will be developed further through TAC efforts. It was recommended to also update the Board of Supervisors on the process.

Mr. Roundy suggested that the WAC also be informed of requests for connection to municipal water & sewage services and annexation.

C. Communications: A letter regarding the GCID scoping project dated October 27 was available. It will be sent to the committee members.

D. Member Reports: None

IV. NEXT MEETINGS: TAC will meet Monday, December 15. The Board of Supervisors will be briefed on the legislation December 16. The Outreach ad hoc committee will meet in early January. The legislation ad hoc committee also plans to meet in January. The next WAC meeting is tentatively scheduled for January 13, 2015.

At the next WAC meeting DWR will provide fall groundwater elevation change information and preliminary subsidence report analysis.

The three monitored wells in the Glide and Kanawha Districts are trending back up.

Groundwater Resources Association as a Groundwater Sustainability Act seminar/webinar tomorrow.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:05 pm.