

**GLENN COUNTY
TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
For the Water Advisory Committee**

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Minutes

Meeting Date: April 28, 2009

Time: 9:00 am

Place: Glenn County Department of Agriculture
720 N. Colusa Street
Willows, CA 95988

TAC Members Present:

Kevin Backus	GC Dept of Health Services
Lance Boyd	South Area
Andrew Farrar	East Area
Kelly Staton	DWR
George Wilson	North Area

TAC Members Absent:

Mark Black	GC Ag Dept
Allan Fulton	UCCE
Ben Pennock	Central Area
Randy Murphy	Public Works

WAC Members Present:

Robert Coruccini	TAC/Willow Creek Mutual Water Co.
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Others:

Tina Brothers	WAC/TAC Secretary
Kristen McKillop	Butte County Water & Resource Conservation
Lester Messina	Glenn County Ag. Dept.
John Orendroff	Citizen
Eugene Massa	Colusa Basin Drainage District

- I. **INTRODUCTIONS:** Those in attendance introduced themselves.
- II. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** The minutes from the March 10, 2009 meeting were approved as mailed.

III. DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION ITEMS:

A. BMOs for Groundwater Level-

1. Discussion on Fall 2008 Measurements - A spreadsheet showing sub-areas (9 and 10) private pumper areas that utilize fall BMOs. According to the BMO document initially developed a well that was in stage 3 can be taken to a stage 2 if the spring measurement is equal to the average of the time period when the BMO was developed (1977-1998). In sub-area 9 there is only one well in stage 3 (21N02W23G01), the other two are in stage 2. In sub-area 10 three wells are in stage 2. Lester asked the TAC if they had any suggestions on what can be done in that area to provide outreach regarding the method utilized for BMO compliance. (Discussed below in Item B.1)
2. Discussion on Spring 2009 Measurements –At the WAC meeting earlier in April the committee reviewed data collected for spring 2009 groundwater level measurements. At that time it was recommended that the TAC start with a review of the well 21N0318B02 and the surrounding area and then report back to the WAC at their next meeting. Lester reviewed this well data with the TAC.

A discussion on the dedicated monitoring well at Road 25 and D that was going through cleaning rehab and had a failure in the deep monitoring zone causing the two zones to record the same level. Efforts will be made to have the well replaced.

A draft press release discussing the spring measurements was reviewed by the committee.

3. Consideration on Forwarding Recommendations to the WAC – A recommendation on the wells in Items A.1 and A.2 will be forwarded to the WAC for further discussion and possible action for further discussion and possible action at the June 9, 2009 meeting.

B. Existing BMO's for Groundwater Levels

1. This discussion was started in November 2008 about the period of record used when the BMOS were initially developed and that permanent crop planting has increased so much that it is difficult to keep up increased groundwater use. Due to increases in orchards going in we have a loss of surface water application/recharge in certain areas. Looking at this from a water needs standpoint, is there good planning going on? Kelly suggested that we expand the record period for every BMO well and look at the county on a regional level and make adjustments to the spring average and standard deviation to see if there is a trend that can be followed. Lester will make a recommendation to the WAC and see how they want us to proceed.

MEMBER REPORTS:

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None.

NEXT MEETINGS:

The next WAC meeting is scheduled for June 9, 2009 at 1:30 pm at the GCID Board room.
The next TAC meeting will be scheduled at a later date.

Meeting adjourned at 10:05 am

Respectfully submitted by,

Tina Brothers
WAC/TAC Secretary