

TEHAMA COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 20, 2001

Present: Vice-Chairperson Charles Willard; Directors' George Russell; Bill Borrer; Ross Turner and Barbara McIver. Also present: Ernie Ohlin, Water Resources Manager.

1. The meeting was called to order by Vice-Chair Charles Willard at 8:00 a.m.
2. Approval of Minutes: Motion by Director Turner to approve the minutes of October 23, 2001 and as to form the October 15, 2001 joint meeting of the TCFC&WCD/AB3030 TAC (with modified changes). Motion carried 4-0 with 1 absent.
3. Public Comment: None
4. Claims: Motion by Director Borrer and second by Director Turner to approve the claims of \$7,039.76. Carried 4-0 with 1 absent.
5. Adopt and Sign Proposed Resolution Local Groundwater Assistance Grant Application (AB303): Ernie Ohlin, Water Resources Manager, discussed the AB303 funding grant application to conduct an in-depth detailed analysis of the groundwater in Tehama County. Coordination with Shasta County and the Redding basin was recommended.

Dan McMannus of DWR added that basin boundaries can be decided at a later date, but the intent is not to go into a modeling effort.

Director Willard requested to include the portion of the Redding Basin underlying Tehama County.

Director Turner suggested going to the County line for the study with DWR.

Motion by Director Turner and second by Director Russell to approve and sign the resolution for local groundwater assistance grant application (AB303). Carried 4-0 with 1 absent.

6. AB3030 Technical Advisory Committee - Update: Ernie Ohlin updated the Directors' regarding the meeting of the AB3030 TAC which was held Monday, November 19th. Lee Mercer of Environmental Health, presented information regarding a use permit application to construct a salt water injection well in Tehama County. There are presently three active injection wells in the County. This application was later withdrawn. It was questioned if materials from other areas are injected into the Tehama County wells. The TAC was informed that materials are being brought in from Glenn County and other areas.

Dan McMannus of DWR gave a presentation on the Deer Creek and Stanford-Vina Irrigation District project funded by the Four-Pump's Agreement to install wells to pump groundwater in order to leave more surface water in Deer Creek for fishery enhancement. Discussion of possible development of

Deer Creek's own AB3030 or coming under the umbrella of Tehama County's Groundwater Management Plan were some of the issues.

Barbara McIver entered.

7. Calfed Update: Ernie Ohlin announced staff will be serving on a panel that will review grant applications for Calfed Ecosystem Restoration submitted by 125 various agencies in the North State.

Public Comment was reopened at 8:21 a.m.

George Russell questioned the status of the zone of benefit in the Antelope/Dairyville area. Staff will meet with NRCS who will be conducting an overall flood study after the holidays. Director Russell suggested that staff send information to affected residents updating them of any progress.

Barbara McIver attended the State of the Sacramento River Conference Director McIver stated an interest in investigating the future relationship of the TCFC&WCD and the Tehama County RCD to possibly help balance their instability of future funding and possible partnership.

Director Willard announced the Farm Bill is moving to the Federal level and there is a large component for conservation work which could partnership with NRCS.

Director Willard continued that Shasta County filed a report on their groundwater management studies. One area of interest is the groundwater basin shared with Tehama County which is targeted for making up water in drought years.

Today, the Board of Supervisors will consider appointment of a representative to the Sacramento River Watershed Program. Director McIver is the contact person. This EPA driven group was formed in Sacramento County, generally for the purpose of examining water quality.

Director Borrer announced that he is arranging a meeting with the watershed coordinators in the County and Congressman Ose and Congressman Herger's office to discuss the scenic river designation.

Public Comment was closed at 8:29 a.m.

8. Adjourn: With no further business the meeting adjourned at 8:30 a.m.