

<sup>1</sup>TEHAMA COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL AND WATER  
CONSERVATION DISTRICT  
AB 3030 MINUTES FROM JANUARY 10, 2000

The meeting was not attended by a full quorum. In attendance was Roger Sherrill, Gary Antone, Robert Steinacher and Bill Richardson. Absent were Winifred Jones, Steve Kimbrough, Bill Bergmann and Tom Heffernan. Also in attendance was Ernie Ohlin, Water Resources Manager and Bud Hagen.

Only informational items were discussed. This Secretary was not in attendance at the opening of the meeting.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

Roger Sherrill informed the members of many issues of concern. There are three major players who have signed into a 4.4 Plan or something similar to the 4.4 Plan the Colorado River Plan. No one seems to know the bottom line yet, but they seem to be in the area on agreement of allocation of water. The Environmental Defense Fund Group developed a coalition of 20± environmental agencies including a number in Mexico as well as the U.S. to sue holders of Colorado rights to restore the proper water allocation to Mexico that they believed to be distorted during the original agreements. Those users of Colorado River water see this as a wrench thrown into the 4.4 Plan. The Internet has more detailed information.

Bill Richardson questioned the Water Rights Hearing location in this area. Roger answered that when Wilson left office and Davis came into office, a period of time was required for him to come up to speed on water politics.

Roger Sherrill presented a list of items for discussion in the Annual Report. Members were asked to review and make suggestions for a draft.

4. CALFED UPDATE

Roger Sherrill received a copy of the draft proposal which shows how CALFED will be organized once the program becomes reality past the EIR adoption.

Ernie Ohlin commented the same issue by stating that the panel will be made up of 6 public, 6 state and 6 federal agencies. It was Ernie's opinion the panel should also contain public agencies to keep balance in the program.

Ernie Ohlin spoke to Dan Keppen of NCWA, who is also on panels for CALFED, concerning local involvement. With regard to funding for projects and how do you notify local agencies you will be affecting. Notification of a county is not all that is needed. They need to contact people involved in the process and receive an acknowledgment that they are proposing a project in your county that has an effect on a stream, groundwater, etc.

Roger Sherrill discussed the increased land acquisition taking place along the Sacramento corridor. Money that has been made available has caused an increase in land purchase for “environmental restoration”. Property being purchased is currently being left as is with no intention of changing land use. An audit requested by NCWA has begun. One problem caused by this land purchase is the property being pulled out of the tax base. An in-lieu program was established, but to date, no one received money back.

With regard to Prop 13 Water Bond, Roger Sherrill presented a summary from NCWA and at this time did not feel his District could support the bond due to no money for storage being included. There is \$200 million set aside for conjunctive use pilot programs.

Ernie Ohlin received a call from the Department of Environmental Health stating that the Bureau of Reclamation is wanting information on ordinances or plans that would effect conjunctive use programs in Tehama County. A study in this area is beginning. The Bureau of Reclamation is the lead agency.

#### 5. REPLACEMENT OF TAC MEMBER

Ernie Ohlin received 3 nominations for TAC committee members. The deadline is 5:00 P.M. today and after review of the nominations they will be presented and adopted on January 25, to the TCFC&WCD Board.

#### 6. STAFF REPORT

Ernie Ohlin reported progress on the Staff Report for the AB 3030. Scanning of over 14,000 wells has been completed. Input of the data will be the next project.

Flood Control is closing out the last four state and federal state disaster information for FEMA and OES.

The Northern Sacramento Valley Water Forum meeting of January 27 in Colusa is progressing. The panel includes:

Mark Atlas - Attorney for Several Local CVP Contractors  
Groundwater User Impacts

Don Bransford - Northern California Water Association Chair and  
President of Glenn-Colusa Irrigation District

Third Party Impacts and Settlement Contract Negotiations

Mary Wells - Tehama-Colusa Canal Authority Board Member Landowner  
Perspective of Third Party Impacts

Tom Berlinger - Santa Clara Valley Water District  
An Urban Perspective of Contract Negotiations

Lester Snow - Regional Director of the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation  
Department of Interior Perspective

Ernie Ohlin received correspondence from DWR with regard to flood studies in Tehama County. Areas such as Antelope Creek, Burch Creek and Jewett Creek were suggested for the study.

7. SUBCOMMITTEE

None

8. FEBRUARY MEETING SCHEDULE

The meeting for February was scheduled and approved for February 14.

9. With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 3:12 P.M.