

AB 3030
MINUTES OF JUNE 19, 2000

Present: Chairman Roger Sherrill, Vice Chairman William Richardson, Serge Birk, Tom Heffernan, Steve Kimbrough. Absent: Gary Antone, Jim Lowden, Robert Steinacher . Also present were Ernie Ohlin, Water Resources Manager, and Toccoy Dudley, Chief of Groundwater Section of DWR.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 2:05 P.M.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

Ernie Ohlin announced the Northern Sacramento Valley Water Forum in Maxwell on June 29th. Staff has sent out the flyers on land acquisition and habitat restoration.

3. APPROVE MINUTES OF MAY 15, 2000

The comment was made by Ernie that Serge Birk's name was spelled wrong on the previous minutes.

Serge Birk asked who else gets a copy of the minutes besides this group. Ernie Ohlin stated that the minutes were also put in the Flood Control Packets so the Board of Supervisors also sees them. These are public record and any one who requests them, has the opportunity to view them. Serge Birk wondered if it would be easier for the AB3030 group to see the minutes and help edit them. Serge has a few comments regarding the previous minutes and they are mostly grammar. Chairman Sherrill stated that he mostly makes sure that the speakers intent doesn't get changed but if there is a notable mistake, it will be corrected.

Motion by Bill Richardson and second by Serge Birk to approve the June 15, 2000 minutes. Carried 5-0 with four absent.

4. CALFED UPDATE

Ernie stated that the proposed Groundwater legislation reads that "Groundwater should be managed at the Basin Level" therefore CalFed supports legislation that supports management at the Basin Level and Tehama County uses the Sub Basin Level. This is going to mean some involvement locally and from our legislative people to make sure we continue to maintain control over our groundwater. Staff would appreciate TAC comments on this document to see where we go from here.

Chairman Sherrill stated that the documents from CalFed are starting to be condensed into a readable format. There is a lack of definition regarding what Basin wide means and to what extent there will be management. Vice Chairman Richardson said that this is not a plan but rather an ordinance that Counties could adopt. Serge Birk commented on the Eco System Restoration pursuant to our needs here with our AB3030 and that there is reference to it on page 15 pertaining to groundwater storage.

Ernie passed out a document from the Northern California Water Association on the flow regime requirement for habitat restoration. There was a white paper written by CalFed that was investigating flow requirements and actually how much water could be possibly taken off of the Sacramento River during peak flood flows without being detrimental to the environment by lessening the amount of erosion that may happen or the amount of river meander. The true environmental community want river meander and the erosion for the fishery issues. Ernie stated that if everyone wanted to read through this that the first two pages are more like a cover letter and the real detail is on the following pages.

5. FISCAL YEAR 2000 TAC GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

The Goals and Objectives for Fiscal Year 2000:

1. Assist County staff with improving MOU participation in the GWMP.
2. Investigate methods for financing the Phase I components of the Groundwater Management Plan.
3. Assist staff with initiating the first annual meeting to coordinate the Tehama County GWMP with neighboring GWMP holders as prescribed by Subsection 10755.3 of the California Water Code.
4. Evaluate the use of "Zone Advisory Committees" as described on Page 37 of the GWMP text as a means of increasing GWMP performance and representation.

6. STAFF REPORT

Ernie stated that Staff was down by one because Chrissy Bevens-Brown accepted a job with Caltrans and before that position is refilled he wanted to rewrite the job description to better tailor it to there needs.

7. SUB-COMMITTEE REPORT

a. SUB COMMITTEE-FUNDING

This item was held over to a future meeting due to time constraints.

8. JULY MEETING SCHEDULE

The July meeting will be rescheduled from its original day of the 17th and moved up to the 12th to accommodate the committee members schedules. This meeting will take place at the Ag. Annex at 2:00 P.M.

9. ADJOURN

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:14 P.M.