

TEHAMA COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
AB3030 GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN
TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF AUGUST 19, 2002

Present: Serge Birk; Jim Lowden; Steve Kimbrough (2:11 p.m.); William Richardson; Kevin Borrer; Roger Sherrill; and Robert Steinacher. Absent: Tom Heffernan; Gary Antone.

1. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Chairman Serge Birk at 2:00 P.M.
2. Introductions: Introductions of the members present and Dan McManus of DWR; Ernie Ohlin, Water Resources Manager; Allen Fulton, UC Davis Karen Larsen of Regional Water Quality Control Board and Supervisor Bill Borrer.
3. Public Comment: Dan McManus of DWR announced the AB303 Workshop at DWR in Red Bluff, September 4, 2002. Dan McManus also mentioned his future site visit to Rancho Tehama with regard to water quality and resources concerns by citizens. The TAC will be informed of the results.

Roger Sherrill requested the AB1938 be put on the October Agenda. The AB599 groundwater quality monitoring for the State of California will also be updated at that meeting.

Dan McManus said that a one-year pilot program is still being pursued and a production well, after permits, will be installed ASSOCIATED WITH THE Deer Creek Water Exchange Program.

4. Approval of May/June 2002 Minutes: Steve Kimbrough motioned to approve the minutes with the following corrections: Item 4, second page, June minutes, "races" and page 2 of Item 4, paragraph 4, "Maxwell". Second by Jim Lowden and carried 7-0 with 2 absent. May minutes Item 7 3rd paragraph "to purchase for data loggers". Motion to approve the May Minutes with changes by Robert Steinacher and second by Jim Lowden. Carried 7-0 with 2 absent.
5. Regional Water Quality Control Board Sacramento River Watershed Unit: Karen Larsen, Environmental Scientist, Toxicology Specialist, CVRWQC, gave a presentation including handout.
 - o Groundwater Regulations
 - o Regional Board Groundwater Programs
 - o Sacramento River Watershed Program

Ernie Ohlin questioned if CVRWQC will monitor the three wells in the proposed dairy coming to Tehama County?

Karen Larsen said it should, but she was not the person to answer the question. This is related to the regulatory waste discharge program.

Steve Kimbrough questioned water quality and the proposed dairy farm.

Karen Larsen answered that there are dairy farms that do have NPDS permits for their discharge.

Serge Birk asked what the progress was regarding participation in toxicity focus group.

Karen Larsen answered the Central Valley Board was the first in California and across the nation to conduct toxicity monitoring on a watershed assessment type basis starting with the Sacramento and San Joaquin watershed. What has been found is in most cases, the toxicity or cause could not be identified. With monitoring, a broad assessment and identify toxic samples and use toxicity identification evaluation procedures to find out what the toxic is. As a result, many water bodies are listed on the 303 list for a non-toxicity. A group of experts advise a monitoring portion as far as when follow-up should occur and present a proposal to Calfed to implement the strategy they developed to identify causes of a non-toxicity.

5. Staff Report: Ernie Ohlin distributed information regarding the AB303 Grant. Meetings with DWR, the sub-committee group, and consultant have occurred. A community outreach meeting is scheduled and a questionnaire will be sent to water purveyors. Review of the questionnaire by TAC members is requested.

Dan McManus of DWR discussed boundaries for the water information being gathered for the grant. Maps are available of the water inventory units and their boundaries.

Ernie Ohlin announced the contract was received from DWR for the second grant application.

6. Serge Birk announced the next meeting will be September 16, 2002. Items for discussion:

- Update from Bob Vince of CDM
- Questions answered regarding tributary stream temperatures
- Data loggers and what wells to monitor

8. With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:28 p.m.