

**TEHAMA COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT  
AB3030 TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 24, 2003**

Present: Gary Antone, Tom Heffernan, Jim Lowden Bill Richardson, Bob Steinacher, Walt Mansell, Kevin Borrer (2:15pm). Absent: Roger Sherrill, Steve Kimbrough. Also present: Ernie Ohlin, Water Resources Manager, Pete Lawson of CH<sub>2</sub>M Hill.

1. Call to order at 2:00 p.m. by Chairman Gary Antone. Chairman Antone announced an error in posting, Item 4 and Item 5 were not for the agenda today. The Chairman requested a motion to make Item No. 5, SVWMP Presentation by Pete Lawson, informational only.

Motion by Jim Lowden and Second by Walt Mansell. Carried 6-0 with 3 absent.

2. Introductions: All members present. Allan Fulton of UC Davis and John Aires of Camp, Dresser & McKee, present in the audience.

3. Approval of July 21, 2003 minutes. Motion by Walt Mansell and Second by Bob Steinacher. Carried by those present 6-0 with 3 absent.

4. Public Comment:

§ Bill Richardson discussed the review of DWR's accumulated Water and Storage graphs. There was a downward trend and the County is losing water from spring to spring. This item will be reviewed and verified by Dan McManus at a future meeting.

5. Sacramento Valley Water Management Program (SVWMP) Sacramento Valley Groundwater Model Development: Peter Lawson, technical lead for the Groundwater Sub-Committee, discussed the progress with Phase 8 and model development for SVWMP.

§ Develop monitoring programs

§ Implement initial monitoring and collection data

§ Develop/define new water criteria

§ Assist EDC (Environmental Document Committee) in identifying groundwater program project effects.

§ Members of sub-committee (Bureau of Reclamation, DWR, Consultants) representatives with surface and groundwater expertise.

Kevin Borrer entered.

§ Approach taken is to confirm project definitions. Confirm, estimate impacts and

consider different monitoring needs.

§ Preliminary model - objective to know what kind of monitoring needed to gather appropriate data to improve model and get accurate estimate of impacts.

§ Main goals of program are to enhance river flows for fisheries and the health of Delta.

Ernie Ohlin questioned if “streams and rivers” meant the same. Mr. Lawson was using the words as a body of water.

Walt Mansell questioned if there was a public law that DWR would have administrative authority. Mr. Lawson answered it was a voluntary agreement where the entities got together and decided they could let a judge decide or join forces and implement the programs themselves.

6. Deer Creek Water Exchange - Update: Dan McManus was absent. Ernie Ohlin said DWR has almost completed the draft document. It is expected that DWR will reapply for another permit to pump water and monitor the findings. Funding through the CalFed Water Program will be sought for infrastructure.
7. Staff Report: Ernie Ohlin distributed the NCWA monthly review. Also, Ernie discussed the gas wells planned for the Capay area, and the lower Tuscan Aquifer Project. Small Water Distribution System project will be continued for risk and drought preparedness.
8. Next Meeting: December 15, 2003. The meeting will need to be moved to another location due to construction.
9. Adjourn: With no further discussion, the meeting adjourned at 3:41 p.m.