

**TEHAMA COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
COORDINATED AB 3030 GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN
TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
JULY 19, 2004 MINUTES**

Present: Gary Antone, Tom Heffernan, Bill Richardson, Bob Steinacher, Walt Mansell, Kevin Borrer, Roger Sherrill and Steve Kimbrough. Absent: Jim Lowden. Also present: Ernie Ohlin, Water Resources Manager.

1. CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 2:03 p.m. by Chairman Gary Antone.
2. INTRODUCTIONS: After group introductions, audience member, Les Coke introduced himself as an interested visitor.
3. APPROVAL OF MAY 17, 2004 MINUTES: Motion by Bill Richardson, Second by Kevin Borrer and approved by all present 7-0 with 2 absent.
4. PUBLIC COMMENT:

Roger Sherrill entered.

Walt Mansell discussed a meeting he attended in Willows with regard to groundwater age dating and isotopes, and how they are measured in water for toxic materials.

Ernie Ohlin added that Lester Messina from Glenn County assisted with arranging for USGS to conduct the presentation. We will try to have USGS attend a future AB3030 meeting.

Roger Sherrill discussed a stakeholder meeting in San Diego regarding age-dating of water in coordination with USGS. Age-dating separates surface water from groundwater.

Ernie Ohlin discussed the upcoming August 11th workshop in Redding, by the Bureau of Reclamation, regarding the enlargement of the Shasta Reservoir. Impacts to recreation were not in the original investigative work.

5. UPDATE ON DATALOGGER INSTALLATION: Ernie Ohlin demonstrated the use of the new dataloggers being installed in the wells currently monitored in Tehama County. Information gathered from the wells will be downloaded onto the Flood Control website. Right-of-entry from US Fish & Wildlife Service will also be gained to monitor their abandoned well offered for use to the District.

Discussions continued on new developments in Tehama County. Recording data from the few wells that are being monitored at new building sites will also be put into the data system. It was suggested that contact with ACID continue for test well monitoring in Tehama and Shasta County. Staff has contacted DWR regarding the possibility of additional funding to install monitoring wells in the Bowman area. This site has very little information on groundwater.

6. WESTERN TEHAMA COUNTY WATERSHED ASSESSMENT: Due to the absence of Tom McCubbins, Ernie Ohlin gave a brief description of this item.

Ernie Ohlin, also a member of a TAC for this Assessment Committee, discussed the hiring of a Watershed Coordinator, Tom McCubbins for TCRCD, and a grant for assessment of the Westside watersheds in Tehama County. Research for any documentation written from various agencies such as Crane Mills or the forestry service is being gathered including 1952 aerials from Public Works. The Committee will be updated monthly.

7. REGIONAL PLANNING OF GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT: Glenn County has submitted a grant application to CalFed to conduct regional coordination under the auspices of drinking water quality and how it affects the South. The grant application from CalFed is for coordination between Glenn County, Butte, Colusa and Tehama County, to better understand what counties are doing amongst themselves, especially as related to the Lower Tuscan aquifer. Glenn County, the lead agency, has hired CDM to write a proposal to CalFed. The AB3030 Committee is welcome to be involved in the future discussions with the various agencies.

Roger Sherrill questioned if this ties into the Northern Sacramento Valley Integrated Water Management Plan that CH₂M Hill is involved with.

Ernie Ohlin felt it was to a degree. This is to ultimately come up with ways that might result in cleaner water in the river that ends eventually in the Delta to improve drinking water quality.

Discussion continued regarding new developments in the County.

Steve Kimbrough added that as an advisory committee to the Board of Supervisors, it is appropriate that there should be certain conditions placed on developments coming into the community.

8. NEXT MEETING SCHEDULE: The meeting for August 16, 2004 was agreeable to the committee.
9. ADJOURN: With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:59 pm.