

Minutes of Water Advisory Committee- FINAL
For Meeting of March 6, 2006

Attendees: Chris DeGabriele, North Marin Water District
Jack Baker, North Marin Water District
David Bentley, North Marin Water District
Mike Ban, City of Petaluma
Steve Simmons, City of Petaluma
Mike O'Brien, City of Petaluma
Mike Bierman, City of Petaluma
Al Bandur, City of Sonoma
Stanley Cohen, City of Sonoma
Krishna Kumar, Valley of the Moon Water District
Sanford Smith, Valley of the Moon Water District
Spencer Bader, Sonoma County Water Agency
Randy Poole, Sonoma County Water Agency
Kiergan Pegg, Sonoma County Water Agency
Lynn Florey, Sonoma County Water Agency
Matthew Damos, Sonoma County Water Agency
Keenan Foster, Sonoma County Water Agency
Glen Wright, City of Santa Rosa
Virginia Porter, City of Santa Rosa
Greg Scoles, City of Santa Rosa
Mike Martini, City of Santa Rosa
Dana Roxon, MMWD
Paul Helliker, MMWD
Jon Mandell, MMWD
Darrin Jenkins, City of Rohnert Park
Jake Mackenzie, City of Rohnert Park
Matt Mullan, Town of Windsor
Richard Burt, Town of Windsor
Toni Bertolero, City of Cotati
Janet Orchard, City of Cotati
John Nelson, JONWRM

Public Attendees: Brenda Adelman, RRWPC
Bob Anderson, United Wine Growers
Fred Soares, Southwest Neighborhood Alliance
Jo Timmsen, Tell the Truth
Don McEnhill, League of Women Voters
Jim Downey, Penngrove/Kenwood Water District
David Keller, Friends of the Eel River
Paul Stutrud, OWL
Barb Greene, RPACCC
Evan Jacobs, Cal American Water
Anthony Lindstrom, Cal American Water
Greg Zlotnick, Santa Clara Water District

1. Check In

Virginia Porter, City of Santa Rosa, called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. The attendees checked in.

2. Public Comment

None

3. Approval and Recap of the February 6, 2006, Minutes

Jake Mackenzie, City of Rohnert Park, requested the minutes be changed to reflect his suggestion that the WAC meet with David Keller, Friend of the Eel River, but that the WAC declined.

Mike Martini, City of Santa Rosa, made a motion to approve the minutes as corrected and Jack Baker, North Marin Water District, seconded. All approved.

4. Consider Recommending Adoption of Proposed SCWA Water Transmission System Budget for Fiscal Year 2006-2007.

Kiernan Pegg, Sonoma County Water Agency, presented the WAC with updated figures for the proposed budget. The new proposed rate increase is an average of 4.3% which is down from the 5.5% projected earlier.

Discussion items included the following:

- Consultant fees of \$750,000 for Russian River property acquisition. Randy Poole, Sonoma County Water Agency, informed WAC these fees included cost of due diligence, pilot testing of wells, phase I and phase II of the projects, water quality testing, etc.
- Collector 6 is expected to be on-line, pending inspection, sometime this year.
- Environmental Services budget does not include lobbying funds. Lobbying funds are included in the Agency's general fund. Toni Bertolero, City of Cotati, requested to review the scope of work on the Water Conservation Programs and the funding. She will meet with Lynn Florey, Sonoma County Water Agency, to discuss more.

Mike Martini made a motion to recommend the budget adoption accompanied by a note regarding Toni Bertolero's item regarding water conservation funding. Sanford Smith, Valley of the Moon, seconded. All approved.

5. Amendment 11 Update

Randy Poole, Sonoma County Water Agency, updated the WAC on the status of the following:

- Restructured Agreement – Going to the WAC with the Potter Valley amendment at the end of April.
- Interim demand hardening allocation methodology will be going to the Board on March 28, 2006.

6. Sonoma County Salmon Coalition

Randy Poole asked the WAC to appoint a representative to serve on the Sonoma County Salmon Coalition team in order to represent the salmon listing affect on water supply issues. The WAC discussed why they were not involved earlier in the process and asked for information to be distributed to them about the MOU. Randy Poole advised he would e-mail the information to the WAC.

Mike Martini made a motion to appoint Jake Mackenzie to serve as a representative of the coalition and report back to WAC periodically. Janet Orchard, City of Cotati, seconded.

Jake Mackenzie requested another WAC participant. Mike Bierman, City of Petaluma, volunteered.

Mike Martini updated his motion to include both Mike Bierman and Jake Mackenzie. Toni Bertolero, seconded. All approved.

These meetings are not open to the public and an item will be held monthly on the WAC agenda for follow up discussion.

7. Letter Regarding WAC Interests

Mike Martini and Chris DeGabriele presented a draft letter to Paul Kelley, a member of the Sonoma County Water Agency Board of Directors, outlining projects the WAC has been working on.

Janet Orchard requested that the UWMP be changed to state that the City of Cotati will adopt their own as they are updating their General Plan now.

Jake Mackenzie made a motion for the WAC to take the corrected letter back to their governing boards. He suggested the letter should be signed by Miles Ferris, as chair of the WAC and be brought back to the April WAC meeting for review.

Mike Martini seconded for purpose of discussion only and suggested it be put on the agenda for the April meeting after WAC members have reviewed the letter with their governing bodies. All favored

8. Check Out

Jake Mackenzie is working on the Rohnert Park Creek Restoration Committee and developing plans with cooperation of the Sonoma County Water Agency.

David Keller, Friends of the Eel River, suggested the WAC follow up on the pipeline infiltration plan and alternate routes.