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Board of Directors Meeting 14120 Grand Ave, Walnut Grove, CA Wednesday, March 2, 2016 - 9:30 a.m.

1. Call to Order & Introductions

Steve Mello, Chair

2. Sustainable Groundwater Management Act

Groundwater Ad-Hoc Committee

- A. Presentation by Doug Heberle, Woodbridge Irrigation District.
- B. Presentation by Darrell Eck, Sacramento County Water Agency
- C. Presentation by Erik Ringelberg, Local Agencies of the North Delta (LAND).
- D. Presentation on process for Groundwater Sustainability Agency (GSA) formation by Rebecca Smith, NDWA legal counsel.
- E. Consider approving recommendations of Ad-Hoc Committee regarding NDWA involvement in forming GSAs.

3. Approval of the February 3, 2016 Board Meeting Minutes

Steve Mello, Chair

4. Financial Reports

Cindy Tiffany, Assistant Manager

- A. Assessments – Update on collections.

5. Manager Report

Melinda Terry, Manager

- A. Administrative Issues – Revised board meeting schedule, and Agency participation in conferences and subscriptions.
- B. Correspondence & Communication – Update on Ad-Hoc Committee developing editorial on the history, purpose, Agency, Contract, and expectations for future compliance.

6. Delta and Drought Report

Melinda Terry, Manager

- A. Delta Stewardship Council (DSC) – Review Conveyance and Storage Principles and budget request related to WaterFix implementation.
- B. Delta Conservancy – Update on habitat restoration activities.
- C. Delta Protection Commission (DPC) – Panel of regulatory agencies considering WaterFix Construction Agreement and mitigation measures.
- D. Delta Legislation – AB 1713 (Eggman), AB 2583 (Frazier), federal legislation, and State Budget items related to implementation of WaterFix and drought barriers.
- E. SWRCB – Updates on Consumptive Use Study, Curtailments, DWR 2016 Drought Contingency Plan, TUCPs, Bay-Delta Water Quality Plan, and other actions.

F. CA WaterFix – Update on project, permits, meetings, and media.

7. Legal Report

Rebecca Smith, Attorney

A. BDCP/WaterFix Water Rights Change Petition – Update on Agency protest and modeling work, SWRCB Procedural Order, new schedule, and recent letters submitted by parties.

8. Engineer Report

Gary Kienlen, Engineer

A. Water Quality – Update on water quality conditions within NDWA.

B. WaterFix Modeling – Consider approval of modeling analysis associated with WaterFix diversion change petition.

9. Public Comment

10. CLOSED SESSION (One Item)

A. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION

Pursuant to the authority of Government Code section 54956.9, the Board will meet in Closed Session to discuss one case: State Water Resources Control Board adjudicatory proceeding regarding Petition for Changes in Water Rights of the Department of Water Resources and U.S. Bureau of Reclamation for the California Water Fix Project.

11. Closed Session Report

Steve Mello, Chair

A. Reconvene Open Session and provide summary of any action taken by the Board on item discussed with legal counsel in Closed Session.

12. Announcements

A. March 2 – Solano groundwater workshop, Rio Vista High School, 6:30-8:30 pm.

B. March 7 – Solano groundwater workshop, Davis Veteran's Memorial Ctr, 3:00-5:00 pm.

C. March 17 – Consumptive Use Study meeting, 1001 I St., Sacramento, 9:00am-Noon.

C. March 17 – Delta Protection Committee meeting: WaterFix Construction Agreement.

E. March 18 – SWRCB workshop, CVP ops & fishery temperature control, CalEPA.

F. April 6 – NDWA Board meeting, 14120 Grand Ave., Walnut Grove, 9:30 am.

13. Adjournment

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***** Actions may be taken on any item listed on this agenda *****