

**SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL
AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
WATER RESOURCES ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

City/County Library Community Room
995 Palm Street
San Luis Obispo

Wednesday, November 1, 2006
1:30 p.m.

1. **Introductions and determination of a quorum**
2. **Approval of October meeting minutes**
3. **Public Comment**
4. **Ongoing Updates:**
 - a. Groundwater Banking Sub-Committee:
 - Paso Robles Groundwater Basin Feasibility Study (Study) – the first deliverable will be circulated to the sub-committee on December 1st; comments will be due to the District in December 15th; the consulting team will be at the January 4, 2007 meeting to discuss the comments
 - The project team and schedule are attached. Other information on the Study, including the complete contract and deliverables for review, can be viewed under the IRWM icon at www.slocountywater.org
 - Next meeting is tentatively scheduled for December 7, 2006, 5:00 to 6:30 pm, Templeton CSD, 420 Crocker Street – discuss the draft Preliminary Engineering Technical Memorandum prior to submitting comments to the District
 - b. Resource Management System (RMS) (hand-out)
 - c. Ethics Training – Assembly Bill 1234 (notice attached)
 - d. Next year's meetings – February location conflict
5. **Countywide Master Water Plan Discussion Topic – State Water**
6. **Future Agenda Items:**
 - a. **Resource Management System (RMS) Findings**
--- Adjourn by 3:00 PM; 3:30PM at the latest ---

Next Meeting: Wednesday, November 15, 2006 from 1:30 to 3:30 at the City/County Library

Visit Water Resources on the Web at: www.slocountywater.org

Purpose of the Committee:

To advise the County Board of Supervisors concerning all policy decisions relating to the water resources of the SLO County Flood Control & Water Conservation District. To recommend to the Board specific water resource programs. To recommend methods of financing water resource programs.

Excerpts from WRAC By-Laws dated 1998

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Meeting Minutes
October 4, 2006

Approximately 1:35 pm; Chairman Winn called the meeting to Order

- 1) Introductions and Determination of a Quorum – Quorum Established. Reminder to sign the attendance sheet. Request to send out Agenda sooner in order to ensure compliance with public notification rules.
- 2) Approval of June 2006 Meeting Minutes – Upon motion of Member Winholtz, second by Member Guthrie, and vocal vote, minutes of the September 6, 2006, meeting of the Water Resource Advisory Committee (WRAC) were approved as submitted with one abstention.
- 3) Public Comment – Member Greening informs the WRAC that the Rural Planned Development Ordinance will be going to the Board of Supervisors on December 19, 2006 rather than October 24, 2006. He also asks for confirmation on whether or not WRAC members are required to take ethics training. Discussion ensues regarding applicability to WRAC members that are not compensated, who has or hasn't taken the training, time and location of training, proof of training. Staff is requested to look into requirements for WRAC members and notify the members. Member Mulholland reports on League of California Cities (www.cacities.org) recommendation to not set numeric effluent limits for stormwater best management practices and provides an update on new legislation - SB 1733, which provides flexibility for small cities to direct wastewater violation penalties to fixing the problem that caused the violation. Staff was requested to find out what is meant by "small cities".
- 4) a. Groundwater Banking Sub-Committee – Courtney Howard, SLO County Public Works, reports that GEI Consulting was awarded the contract to complete the Paso Robles Groundwater Basin Water Banking Feasibility Study on October 3, 2006, and that the next Groundwater Banking Sub-Committee meeting will be October 5, 2006 and will serve as the Study kick-off meeting. An exhibit showing the consulting team members was requested to be included in the next WRAC agenda.

b. Other – James Caruso, SLO County Planning, discusses the timing of distributing the Resource Management System (RMS) report in time for WRAC review and recommendations, contract with John Hand to complete the RMS, and the need for entities to submit water use data. Discussion ensues on the schedule, the likelihood of having a special meeting in mid-November and an update at the November 1st meeting. Mr. Caruso thanks the WRAC for participating in the Conservation Element Workshop; discusses the workshop for the general public on October 5, 2006 at 7 pm, availability of

information on the County website, and future workshops in different locations throughout the County. Syllas Cranor, SLO County Public Works, speaks about the new California Irrigation Management and Information System (CIMIS) in Nipomo, station 202 at www.cimis.water.ca.gov.

- 5) November Bond Legislation – Review and Discussion – Chairman Winn and Paavo Ogren, County Public Works Deputy Director, speak to Proposition 90 (Eminent Domain Restrictions), what it entails, and various entity opinions. Discussion ensues on the impacts it would have on water resource projects. A motion was made by Betty Winholtz, and seconded by Christine Mulholland, to recommend that the County Board of Supervisors oppose Proposition 90 for the following reasons related to water resources:

- It would increase the costs of water-related projects
- It would paralyze governments' ability to meet community water needs

After extensive discussion, the motion passed unanimously with 4 abstentions. Paavo Ogren, County Public Works Deputy Director, speaks to Proposition 1E, Disaster Preparedness and Flood Prevention, what it entails, importance to the County, and funding mechanisms. Discussion ensues on its ability to solve the levee problem, alternative funding mechanisms, development in the flood plains and impacts to water resources. No motion was made to make a recommendation to the County Board of Supervisors on Proposition 1E. Discussion ensues on Proposition 84, Water Quality, Safety and Supply; Flood Control; Natural Resource Protection; Park Improvements. After a brief discussion, no motion was made to make a recommendation to the County Board of Supervisors on Proposition 84.

- 1) Countywide Master Water Plan – Water Demand Calculations – Environmental – Courtney Howard, SLO County Public Works, speaks to incorporating environmental water demands in the Master Water Plan in both a quantitative and qualitative manner depending on what information is available. Member Greening speaks to the importance of knowing biological/ecosystem needs when estimating environmental water demand. Discussion ensues on the existing resources available, setting standards, and including streamflow data as a baseline. Paavo Ogren, SLO County Public Works Deputy Director, outlines the next steps for developing the Master Water Plan, which includes creating a detailed outline, scoping various work efforts such as technical research and workshops, and developing a more detailed schedule with milestones.

- 2) Future Agenda Items – Brief discussion.

Meeting adjourned approx. 3:13 pm

WATER RESOURCES ADVISORY COMMITTEE 2006

Organization	Representative	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul*	Aug*	Sep	Sep**	Oct	Nov	Dec
Atascadero Mutual	Ken Weathers	M			X									
	John Neil	A												
Golden State Water	Henric Szopinski	M												
	Warren Morgan	A				X	X			X		X		
Ca Mens Colony	John Kellerman	M	X		X	X	X			X				
	Gerald Elwood	A												
Cambria CSD	Bryan Bode	M												
	Jim Adams	A												
Camp SLO	Chris Wide	M												
	0	A												
City of Arroyo Grande*	Jim Guthrie	M								X	X	X		
	Joe Costello	A	X		X	X								
	Don Spagnolo	Staff					X							
City of Atascadero	Jerry Clay	M												
	Wade McKinney	A												
City of Grover Beach	Chuck Ashton	M	X	X		X	X					X		
	Larry Versaw	A												
City of Morro Bay	Betty Winholtz	M	X	X	X	X	X			X		X		
	Bill Boucher	A												
City of Paso Robles	Brad Hagemann	M	X	X	X	X	X			X		X		
	0	A												
City of Pismo Beach	Bill Rabenaldt	M												
	Dennis Delzeit	A								X		X		
City of San Luis Obispo	Christine Mulholland	M	X	X	X	X	X	X			X	X		
	Allen Settle	A												
	Ron Munds	Staff				X					X			
	Gary Henderson	Staff	X	X	X	X	X	X		X				
County Farm Bureau	Joy Fitzhugh	M	X	X	X	X	X			X	X	X		
	Jackie Crabb	A												
Cuesta College	Edralin Maduli	M												
	Terry Reece	A												
District 1	Steve Sinton	M			X	X	X	X				X		
District 2	Hal Fones	M										X		
District 3	Robert Mires	M	X	X	X		X	X		X		X		
District 4	Michael Winn	M	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X		
District 5	Dan O'Grady	M	X	X	X	X	X			X		X		
Environmental at Large	Bill Bianchi	M	X	X		X	X				X	X		
	0	A												
	Eric Greening	M		X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X		
0	A													
Heritage Ranch CSD	John D'Ornellas	M												
	Debbie Fransen	A												
Los Osos CSD	Steve Senet	M												
	John Fouche	A												
	George Milanese	Staff										X		
	Margret Falkner	Staff		X										
Nipomo CSD	Ed Eby	M		X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X		
	Bruce Buel	A				X	X	X		X	X			
Oceano CSD	Rick Searcy	M												
	Francis Cooney	A			X	X				X				
San Luis Coastal RCD	Linda Chipping	M		X	X	X	X	X		X		X		
	Kathie Matsuyama	A			X	X	X	X						
Templeton CSD	William Van Orden	M												
	Laurie Ion	A												
Upper Salinas RCD	Tom Mora	M				X								
	Chuck Pritchard	A												
Agriculture at Large	Ray Allen	M	X	X		X	X							
	John Snyder	A				X		X						
Public Works Staff	Courtney Howard	Staff	X	X	X	X	X	X		X		X		
	Jeff Werst	Staff												
	John Hollenbeck	Staff				X				X				
	Paavo Ogren	Staff	X	X		X		X		X		X		
	Mark Hutchinson	Staff		X	X			X		X		X		
	Jill Falcone	Staff					X							
Planning Staff	Sylas Cranor	Staff								X	X	X		
	Chuck Stevenson	Staff									X			
	James Caruso	Staff									X	X		
Env. Health Staff	Jeff Oliveria	Staff								X				
	Laurie Salo	Staff	X	X										
Ag. Staff	Jenny McCartney	Staff												
	Michael Isensee	Staff								X		X		
OTHER														
	Donette Dunaway (RWQCB)	Other					X							
	Dennis Gibbs (County of Santa Barbara)	Other										X		
	David Church (LAFCO)	Other										X		
	Jim Patterson (Board of Supervisors)	Other												
	Richard Rojas (SLOCOG)	Other									X			
	Chuck Anders (Strategic Initiatives)	Other									X			

M= Member; A= Alternate; 0= No appointment received as of 10/13/06

* Arroyo Grande membership changes have not yet been approved by the Board of Supervisors

** Indicates special workshop

