

**Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Conservation Committee
of the
Florin Resource Conservation District Board of Directors**

Wednesday, March 4, 2015

Attendance:

Committee Members: Tom Nelson, Vice-Chairman – present
Elliot Mulberg, Director – present
Jeanne Sabin, Director – absent

Associate Members: Mike Schmitz – present

Staff: Mark J. Madison, General Manager
Stefani Phillips, Board Secretary
Bruce Kamilos, Associate Civil Engineer
Ellen Carlson, Finance Manager
Cindy Robertson, Administrative Assistant II (Confidential)

Sloughhouse RCD: Ronald Lowry, Director
Jay Schneider, Director
Amanda Platt

Lower Consumnes: Doug Chan, Director
Mike Stokes, Director

Public: None

This was a posted meeting and no one of the public was present.

Discussion of Regional Groundwater Management

Mark J. Madison, General Manager, provided background information as to why the Florin Resource Conservation District (FRCD) is no longer meeting as the 2x2x2 Committee. It was established at the FRCD Board meeting on January 28, 2015 that the FRCD Board would meet as the Conservation Committee.

Introductions were made around the table for all that attended the meeting.

Jay Schneider, Director, Sloughhouse Resource Conservation District (SHRCD) discussed the history of the Consumnes River water loss; it is not clear where the water is going. A study is being performed. He stated that a goal would be to approach as a group (FRCD, SHRCD, and Lower Consumnes) and actually find out where the water basin is and find a government agency to represent that basin. He stated he would like to give the government agency an opportunity to actually have all the facts. Discussion followed regarding who that government agency would be.

Bruce Kamilos, Associate Civil Engineer, stated that the Department of Water Resources (DWR) is gaining traction on reestablishing boundaries based on County lines.

Mr. Madison gave background regarding Groundwater Sustainability 2014 that will lead to groundwater regulatory management. Much discussion followed during the presentation.

Comments and inquiries include:

- Would technology studies be accepted as method to change boundaries?
- Would the state even entertain changing boundaries?
- Who should be the Groundwater Sustainability Agency (GSA)?
- Joint Power Authority (JPA) would be a good GSA which is part of the Sacramento County Groundwater Authority (SCGA)
- SHRCD is not interested in teaming up with SCGA
- Who approves GSA?
 - Department of Water Resources will authorize GSA

Mr. Madison stated SCGA is having a board meeting on Wednesday, March 11, 2015 and will be discussing the implementation of the sustainable groundwater management act and suggested all members attend this meeting.

Adjourn to next meeting scheduled March 17, 2015.

Respectfully submitted,

Stefani Phillips, Board Secretary

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