# SITES PROJECT JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY

MINUTES OF MEETING September 7, 2011

Secretary/Treasurer Don Bransford called the meeting of the Sites Project Joint Powers Authority (Sites JPA) Board of Directors to order at 1:34 p.m. The meeting was held at the Colusa County Board of Supervisors' Chambers, 546 Jay Street, Colusa, California 95932.

#### **Present:**

Donald R. Bransford, Glenn-Colusa Irrigation District (GCID) Steve Dennis, Tehama-Colusa Canal Authority (TCCA) Tim O'Halloran, Yolo County Flood Control and Water Conservation District (YCFC&WD) Rick Richter, Maxwell Irrigation District (MID) Marty Stripling, Reclamation District No. 108 (RD 108) Kamyar Guivetchi, Department of Water Resources

#### Absent:

Gary Evans, County of Colusa Kim Dolbow Vann, County of Colusa Leigh McDaniel, County of Glenn John Viegas, County of Glenn

#### **Also Present:**

Jeff Sutton, TCCA; Dan Ruiz, MID; Lewis Bair, RD 108; Thad Bettner, Mary Spooner Danley, GCID; Oscar Serrano, Colusa Indian Community; Robert Leaf, CH2M Hill; Jim Wieking, Sean Sou, DWR; Sharon McHale, Mary Lee Knecht, Ron Ganzfried, USBR; Jeff Herrin, USACE; Nik Carlson, URS; Jim Wallace, Colusa Drain Mutual Water Company

## **Approve Agenda**

Director Richter moved to approve the agenda, Director Stripling seconded and the agenda was approved by unanimous vote.

#### **Public Participation**

Secretary/Treasurer Bransford called for public participation and as no one from the public was present, the meeting continued.

#### Minutes

Director Stripling moved to approve the minutes, Director Richter seconded the motion, and it was passed by unanimous vote.

#### **Financial Considerations**

Director Richter moved, Director Dennis seconded and it was unanimously voted to approve the treasurer's report as presented.

The Board directed staff to develop an RFP/RFQ for accounting and audit services to be presented at the next Sites JPA meeting. Staff was also directed to contact firms in the area to determine level of interest.

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#### **Regular Business**

Director Richter moved to approve the Memorandum of Agreement with the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation for North–of-the-Delta Offstream Storage Investigation Environmental Impact Statement/Environmental Impact Report, Director Stripling seconded and it was passed by unanimous vote.

Kamyar Guivetchi reiterated the importance of attending the California Water Storage Workshops scheduled for September 14 and October 25, 2011, and provided a brief overview of the scheduled speakers. He then introduced Jim Wieking and Nik Carlson who presented an update on DWR operations and economics.

Discussion was held regarding the Proposition 204 funding that has been approved for the Sites JPA. Of the \$1.4 million that was approved, \$350,000 is available to the Sites JPA to perform the actions identified on the Scope of Work that was submitted to the Department of Water Resources on April 13, 2011. Staff was directed to review the options and report back to the board at the next meeting.

### Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 3:01 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Donald R. Bransford  $\bigvee$ Secretary to the Board

Attest a true record of proceedings made and taken at the above foregoing meeting our consent thereto and our presence thereat.

Kenneth M. LaGrande