SITES PROJECT JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY

MINUTES OF MEETING October 6, 2010

Chair Ken LaGrande called the meeting of the Sites Project Joint Powers Authority (Sites JPA) Board of Directors to order at 1:50 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) Frederick J. Durst, Reclamation District No. 108 (RD 108) Leigh McDaniel, County of Glenn Kenneth M. LaGrande, Tehama-Colusa Canal Authority (TCCA) Richard M. Richter, Maxwell Irrigation District (MID)

Absent:

Ronald R. Tadlock, Yolo County Flood Control and Water Conservation District Gary Evans, County of Colusa

Also Present:

Thad Bettner, GCID; Donita Hendrix, Dunnigan WD; Dan Ruiz, MID; Mary Spooner Danley, GCID; Jeff Sutton, TCCA; Oscar Serrano

Approve Agenda

Chair LaGrande asked for a motion to adjust the agenda items to accommodate the presentation by the Department of Water Resources (DWR) due to the fact that one of the board members was running behind schedule and not yet present. Director McDaniel moved to approve moving the DWR presentation, seconded by Director Bransford, and it was passed by unanimous vote.

Public Participation

Chair LaGrande called for public participation and as no one from the public was present, the meeting continued.

Minutes

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

Regular Business

Department of Water Resources (DWR) made a detailed presentation on the Sites Reservoir optimization studies.

Director Durst arrived at 2:10 p.m.

Governance and Internal Organization

No report from the Ad Hoc Committee. Discussion was held to clarify the responsibilities of the Ad Hoc Committee.

On motion by Director Durst, second by Director Richter and unanimous vote, the Conflict of Interest Code was adopted as presented

The Board discussed the issue of appointing alternates to service on the Board of Directors. It was decided to table the conversation until the November meeting.

Thad Bettner and Jeff Sutton were directed to contact respective legal counsels for recommendations on the hiring of legal counsel for the Sites JPA.

Financial Considerations

No report.

Other Business

A draft letter to Don Glaser of the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation and Mark Cowin of the California Department of Water Resources was distributed for review.

The response letter from the Pacific Institute to Northern California Water Association (NCWA) was distributed. In light of Pacific Institute's response letter to NCWA, which raised the same issues that the Sites JPA was going to focus on, the Board decided not to send a letter responding to the Pacific Institute report.

Member Comment

Due to possible conflicts for the November 3, 2010, meeting, the Board agreed to reserve Monday, November 15, as a contingency date. The November meeting will be held in the Glenn County Board of Supervisors' Chambers.

The December 1, 2010, meeting, as scheduled, would take place during the week of the Association of California Water Agencies' fall conference. It was agreed to consider moving the date at the November meeting.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 3:55 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Donald R. Bransford 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