

Meeting: **Phase 2 Reservoir Project Agreement**

2020 January 17

Subject: **Reservoir Committee Meeting**

9:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Location: Maxwell Project Office
122 Old Highway 99W, Maxwell, CA 95955

Call in: 1-800-201-7439
Code: 644237

Chair: Thad Bettner (Glenn-Colusa Irrigation District)

Vice Chair: Jeff Davis (San Geronio Pass Water Agency)

Treasurer: Jamie Traynham (Davis Water District)

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Bettner called the meeting to order at 9:00 am, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

Roll was called (See Attachment A), which resulted in 18 eligible representatives. This equated to 78.7% of the current participation percentage being in attendance, which is greater than the 50% needed to have a quorum of the Reservoir Committee. By 9:50 am 1 additional member was seated bringing the total participation percentage to 94.1%. At 11:00 am, 17 members were seated bring the total participation percentage to 87.6%

INTRODUCTIONS:

The Sites Reservoir Committee members, staff and members of the public introduced themselves.

ATTENDANCE:

See Attachment B.

AGENDA APPROVAL:

Chairman Bettner called for the approval of the January 17, 2020 Reservoir Committee Agenda.

General Manager Watson stated the Attachments under Agenda Item No. 9 were mislabeled and stated they would be corrected.

Action: It was moved by Cheng, seconded by Marks to approve the January 17, 2020 Reservoir Committee Agenda, as corrected. Motion carried unanimously.

MINUTES APPROVAL:

Chairman Bettner called for approval of the December 19, 2019 Phase 2 Reservoir Committee Meeting Minutes.

Participation by phone is not
counted in quorum or voting.

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Caveat 2:

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General Manager Watson stated a typo on top of page 3, first paragraph was missing the label 1.1.6 and stated that would be corrected.

Action: It was moved by Davis, seconded by Vanderwaal to approve the December 19, 2019 Phase 2 Reservoir Committee Meeting Minutes, as corrected. Motion carried unanimously.

PERIOD OF PUBLIC COMMENT:

Chairman Bettner called for public comment. Hearing none, he closed the period of public comment.

1. Member's Reports:

1.1 Chairpersons' Report: Bettner, Davis

This time is set aside to allow the Chair/Co-Chair an opportunity to disclose/discuss items related to the Sites Project.

Chairman Bettner expressed his appreciation on being nominated Chair for 2020 and stated Jeff Davis was nominated as the Vice-Chair.

Chairman Bettner provided an update on the following matters:

- Executive Director position.
- Strategic Planning Session.
- Re-structuring of the Work Groups.

Brief discussion followed with no action taken.

General Manager Watson provided an update on the Resiliency Plan/Portfolio

Discussion followed with no action taken.

1.2 Reservoir Committee Participant Reports: Representatives

This time is set aside to allow Representatives or their Alternates an opportunity to disclose/discuss items related to the Sites Project.

None.

2. Consent Agenda: Watson

None.

3. Manager's Report: 15 min Watson

3.1 Discussion and possible direction to staff regarding the Sites Project's monthly status report. **(Attachment 3-1A)**

General Manager Watson provided an overview of project activities performed in the months of December 2019 and January 2020 as follows:

- Announced Mr. Robinette and Ms. Forsythe were selected to be part of the NCWA Sac Valley Leadership Program.
- Announced the 2019 Annual Statements (Form 700s) to the FPPC are due by April 2, 2020 for Committee Members and their Alternates as well as filing of Assuming/Leaving Office forms.
- Continued work to advance the Work Plan through August and potential Work Plan from September 2020 through end of 2021.
- Continued support of Reclamation on completion of their Feasibility Report.
- Continued work on the Value Planning for both engineering and environmental.
- Ms. Forsythe participated as a panel member at the Public Policies Institute of California event related to freshwater ecosystem benefits.
- Announced staff has received 15 out of the 21 Participation Agreements and are at 71% compliance.
- Announced Ms. Forsythe represented Sites at the California Advisory Committee on Salmon and Steelhead Trout.

Discussion followed with no action taken.

3.2 Discussion and possible direction to staff regarding Proposition 1, WSIP activities and WIIN Act Funding.

General Manager Watson provided a review of Proposition 1, WSIP activities and WIIN Act Funding as follows:

- Received two additional checks from CWC and Invoice #4 will be submitted in February.
- Additional Staffing within Reclamation.
- ~~Cooperative Operations without investment in Sites continue to explore that avenue.~~ Continue to explore Cooperative Operations with Reclamation assuming no federal investment in Sites.
- California Water Commission:
 - Met on January 15, 2020 and considered the following:
 - Election of new Officers/Commissioners.
 - Approved an update to the 2012 Strategic Plan.
 - Received an update on SIGMA.
 - Tabled discussion on the Governor's Resiliency Portfolio to February.
 - Update on Prop 1-Water Storage Investment Program.
- USDA:
 - Developing an end of year Status Report for work accomplished in year 2019.

- Federal Appropriations:
 - H.R. 1865, Appropriations Bill included \$6m for Sites.
 - Continued to work with Reclamation on a Financial Assistance Agreement.
 - Continued to work with Reclamation on future WIIN Act funding requests.

Ms. Kennedy provided a brief update on the progress of the Feasibility Report.

Discussion followed with no action taken.

9:50 a.m. Randall Nuedeck, Metropolitan Water District representative is now present and seated.

4. 2019 Ad Hoc Budget & Finance Workgroup: Traynham

4.1 Consider accepting the Sites Project Authority Treasurer's Report. (**Attachment 4-1 A**)

Action: It was moved by Davis, seconded by Tincher to accept the Sites Project Authority Treasurer's Report, as submitted. Motion carried unanimously.

4.2 Consider approval of the Reservoir Committee's portion of the monthly Payment of Claims. (**Attachments 4-2 A & B**)

Action: It was moved by Vanderwaal, seconded by Tincher to approve the Reservoir Committee's portion of the monthly Payment of Claims, as submitted. Motion carried unanimously.

5. 2019 Ad Hoc Agreements & Contracts Workgroup: Davis

None.

6. 2019 Ad Hoc Environmental & Permitting Workgroup: Bettner

No staff report. Discussion and possible direction to staff regarding the ongoing activities of the Environmental & Permitting Workgroup.

Ms. Forsythe provided an update regarding the ongoing activities of the Environmental & Permitting Workgroup on the following:

- Continued the biological and cultural monitoring for the Geotechnical drilling activities that Reclamation is undertaking.
- Continued to support the Value Planning efforts.
- Attended the Public Policies Institute of California's event regarding environmental water benefits.
- Attended the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors meeting regarding revisiting their support of the Sites Project.

- Preparing to look at activities through August 2020 and from September 1, 2020 through end of 2021, i.e., recirculation of the EIR/EIS and restarting environmental activities.
- In February/March, bring in several outside subject matter experts to speak to key projects that could have an effect on the operation of the Sites Project.

7. **2019 Ad Hoc Reservoir Operations Workgroup:** Ruiz/Kunde

No staff report. Discussion and possible direction to staff regarding the ongoing activities of the Reservoir Operations Workgroup.

Mr. Kunde stated the last Workgroup meeting was held in November 2019. He stated a meeting was held with Ms. Forsythe on January 16, 2020 and reviewed the Workgroup's priorities.

Brief discussion followed, with no action taken.

8. **2019 Ad Hoc Siting & Water Facilities Workgroups:** Vanderwaal/Azevedo

8.1 Discussion and possible direction to staff regarding value planning efforts to develop an updated project description.

Mr. Vanderwaal provided an update regarding the value planning efforts to develop an updated project description, stating a site visit was conducted on January 14, 2020 to inspect potential locations of key project features, as well as a presentation by Mr. Herrin regarding the same.

Mr. Kunde stated a recommendation should be forthcoming either in February or March 2020 regarding 1 or 2 Alternatives for consideration.

Brief discussion followed, with no action taken.

Chairman Bettner declared a recess at 10:10 a.m. and reconvened at 10:25 a.m.

9. **Work Plan:**

9.1 Discussion and possible direction to staff regarding the proposed process for developing a work plan and overall schedule of work to be completed through December 31, 2021 and under the current Participation Agreement as Amendment 2. **(Attachment 9-1 A)**

General Manager Watson provided an update regarding the proposed process for developing a work plan for the project to move forward and overall schedule of work to be completed through December 31, 2021 and spoke to the following:

- Purpose.
- Goals by end 2021.
- Key decisions.

- Schedule.
- Priorities.

Lengthy discussion followed regarding the issues below:

- Development of a plan to move forward through 2021.
- Agreement on targets.
- Milestones; including three "Go/No-Go" decision points.
- Financial feasibility of project.
- Project's operations and size.
- Possible need for additional public review and/or recirculation of the Draft EIR/EIS.
- Funding through December 2021.
- Participation agreements.

Mr. Watson stated the goal is to return in February with an initial set of tasks and critical path schedule, with proposed cost targets and cash calls needed. Then, based on direction provided in February, present a more-detailed work plan at the March meeting for further consideration and direction.

11:00 a.m. Representatives Krause and Johnson from Desert Water Agency vacated their chairs and left the meeting.

9.2 Consider approval of the work plan for the period of January 1, 2020 through August 31, 2020 as part of the no cost time extension to the current participation agreement, **(Attachments 9-2 A & B)** for the following uses:

1. Amending existing consultant contract task orders and developing new task orders as needed, including the engineering service areas HC and HR.
2. Developing a revised Exhibit B to the Phase 2 (2019) Participation Agreement through Aug 31, 2020 aka Amendment 1B). Discussion followed.

Mr. Robinette provided an overview of the work plan for the period January 1, 2020 through August 31, 2020 and spoke to the summary-level of the deliverables, lead staff, and estimated work plan and budgets associated with Amendment 1B to the 2019 Reservoir Project Agreement's Exhibit B. He stated final scopes of work and budgets would be developed in task orders for each consultant and routed for approval to the Authority Board and the Reservoir Committee in February 2020. Discussion followed.

Action: It was moved by Davis, seconded by Kao to approve the Work Plan for the period January 1, 2020 through August 31, 2020, as part of the no cost time extension to the current participation agreement, **(Attachments 9-1 A)** for the following uses:

1. Amending existing consultant contract task orders and developing new task orders as needed, including the engineering service areas HC and HR.

- 2. Developing a revised Exhibit B to the Phase 2 (2019) Participation Agreement that reflects the time extension through August 31, 2020 (aka Amendment 1B).

The motion was approved by all those Committee Members present.

10. Recap:

Watson

10.1 Agenda topics for next meeting?

- Irvine Ranch Water District regarding groundwater vs surface water Integration.
- Amendment for time extension, exhibit B and task orders.
- Water Management priorities.
- Value Planning.
- Presentation by Sacramento Valley Settlement Contractors regarding Statewide water management.

10.2 Upcoming Reservoir Committee meeting:

Friday, February 21, 2020 9:00 AM
 Maxwell Project Office
 122 Old Highway 99W, Maxwell, CA 95955

Chairman Bettner adjourned the meeting at 11:55 a.m.



 Chairman
 Thad Bettner



 General Manager
 Jim Watson

Attachment A to Meeting Minutes - Roll Call

Current Voting Committee Participants (21):

| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Pct | Participant | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Pct | Participant |
|-------------------------------------|------|--|-------------------------------------|-------|---------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | 3.42 | American Canyon, City | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | 2.64 | LaGrande WD (1) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | 2.51 | Antelope Valley-East Kern WA | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | 15.34 | Metropolitan WD |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | 2.46 | Carter MWC (‡) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | 3.42 | Reclamation District 108 (A) |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | 4.97 | Coachella Valley WD | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | 7.93 | San Bernardino Valley MWD |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | 4.97 | Colusa County | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | 6.01 | San Geronio Pass WA |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | 5.49 | Colusa Co. WD (2) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | 6.53 | Santa Clara Valley WD |
| P | 2.50 | Cortina WD (1) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | 3.67 | Santa Clarita Valley WA (2) |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | 2.90 | Davis WD | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | 6.27 | Westside WD |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | 0.00 | Department of Water Resources (non-voting) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | 3.17 | Wheeler Ridge-Maricopa WSD |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | 4.06 | Desert WA (‡) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | 0.00 | US Bureau of Reclamation (non-voting) |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | 3.09 | Dunnigan WD | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | 4.97 | Zone 7 WA |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | 3.68 | Glenn-Colusa ID | 100.00 Total | | |

18 **Voting members represented at Meeting start** (See Note 1)

78.7 % Represented participation percentage

19 **Represented by 9:50 am** (See Note 1)

94.1. % Represented participation percentage

17 **Represented after 11:35 am** (See Note 1) (‡)

87.6 % Represented participation percentage

Representation has been delegated as follows:

- (1) To Jamie Traynham, Davis WD
- (2) To Bill Vanderwaal, Dunnigan WD

NOTE 1: Participation by phone are not counted in quorum or voting unless delegated.

Attachment B to Meeting Minutes - Attendance

Current Voting Reservoir Committee Participants (21):

| <i>Participant</i> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <i>Representative</i> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <i>Alternate</i> | <i>Others</i> |
|----------------------------|---|--|----------------|
| American Canyon, City | <input type="checkbox"/> Felix Hernandez III | <input type="checkbox"/> Jason Holley | |
| AVEK WA | <input type="checkbox"/> Dwayne Chisam | <input type="checkbox"/> Dan Flory | |
| Carter MWC | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ben Carter | <input type="checkbox"/> Ann Carter | |
| Coachella Valley WD | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Robert Cheng | <input type="checkbox"/> Ivory Reyburn | |
| Colusa County. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mike Azevedo | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gary Evans | |
| Colusa Co. WD | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Shelley Murphy | <input type="checkbox"/> Joe Marsh | |
| Cortina WD | Jim Peterson | <input type="checkbox"/> Chuck Grimmer | |
| Davis WD | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jamie Traynham | <input type="checkbox"/> Tom Charter | |
| Desert WA | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mark Krause | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Steve Johnson | |
| Dunnigan WD | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bill Vanderwaal | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| Glenn-Colusa ID | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Thad Bettner | <input type="checkbox"/> Don Bransford | |
| LaGrande WD | <input type="checkbox"/> Zach Dennis | <input type="checkbox"/> Ken LaGrande | |
| Metropolitan WD | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Randall Neudeck | <input type="checkbox"/> Chandra Chilmakuri | |
| RD 108 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bill Vanderwaal | <input type="checkbox"/> Blair Lewis | |
| San Bernardino V MWD | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bob Tincher | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Heather Dyer | |
| San Gorgonio Pass WA | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jeff Davis | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| Santa Clara Valley WD | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cindy Kao | <input type="checkbox"/> Eric Leitterman | |
| Santa Clarita Valley WA | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dirk Marks | <input type="checkbox"/> Steve Cole | |
| Westside WD | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Allan Myers | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dan Ruiz | |
| Wheeler Ridge-Maricopa WSD | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rob Kunde | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| | | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| | | <input type="checkbox"/> | Carol Mahoney |
| Zone 7 WA | <input type="checkbox"/> Amparo Flores | <input type="checkbox"/> | Jarnail Chahal |
| | | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Wes Mercado |
| | | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Valerie Pryor |

Non-Voting Committee Participants (2):

| <i>Participant</i> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <i>Representative/Other</i> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <i>Alternate/Other</i> |
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| Dept of Water Resources | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rob Cooke | <input type="checkbox"/> David Sandino |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Ajay Goyal | <input type="checkbox"/> Jim Wieking |
| Bureau of Reclamation | <input type="checkbox"/> Richard Welsh | <input type="checkbox"/> Don Bader |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Kellye Kennedy | <input type="checkbox"/> Derya Sumer |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Ryan Davis | <input type="checkbox"/> Mike Dietl |
| | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Natalie Wolder | <input type="checkbox"/> David Van Rijn |

Pending Reservoir Committee Participants (0):

| <i>Participant</i> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <i>Representative</i> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <i>Alternate</i> |
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Authority, Non-Signatory (6):

| <i>Participant</i> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <i>Representative</i> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <i>Alternate</i> |
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| Glenn County | <input type="checkbox"/> John Viegas | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| PCWA | <input type="checkbox"/> Ed Horton | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ben Barker |
| | | <input type="checkbox"/> Darin Reintjes |
| Roseville | <input type="checkbox"/> Sean Bigley | <input type="checkbox"/> Trevor Joseph |
| | | <input type="checkbox"/> Jason Marks |
| Sacramento, City of | <input type="checkbox"/> Jeff Harris | <input type="checkbox"/> Anne Sanger |
| Sacramento County WA | <input type="checkbox"/> Kerry Schmitz | <input type="checkbox"/> Michael Peterson |
| Tehama-Colusa Canal Authority | <input type="checkbox"/> Jeff Sutton | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Staff:

| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <i>Name</i> | <i>Representing</i> |
|--|-------------------------|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Forsythe, Ali | Sites Project Authority |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Frederiksen, Lee | Sites Project Authority |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Spesert, Kevin | Sites Project Authority |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trapasso, Joe | Sites Project Authority |

| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <i>Name</i> | <i>Representing</i> |
|---|-------------------------|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tirado, Yolanda | Sites Project Authority |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Watson, Jim | Sites Project Authority |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | |

Consultants:

| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Name | Representing |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------|------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Alexander, Jeriann | Furgro |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Barnes, Joe | AECOM |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Boling, Robert | HDR |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Briard, Monique | ICF |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Brown, Doug | Stradling |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Brown, Scott | LWA |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Bruner, Marc | Perkins Coie |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Campbell, Jeff | Project Controls Cubed |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Durbin, Gary | Brown & Caldwell |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Floyd, Kim | Floyd |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Herrin, Jeff | AECOM |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Heydinger, Erin | HDR |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Johns, Jerry | Johns |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Katz, Sara | Katz & Associates |

| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Name | Representing |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Kivett, Marcia | Sites Project Authority |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Kuney, Scott | Young Wooldridge |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | McDonald, Connor | Bender Rosenthal |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Montague, Doug | Montague DeRose Assoc. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Motamed, Farid | Fugro |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Robinette, JP | Brown & Caldwell |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Rossetto, Sarah | Katz & Associates |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Rude, Peter | Ch2m |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Spranza, John | HDR |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Tull, Rob | Ch2m |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Van Camp, Marc | MBK |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Warner Herson, Laurie | Phenix |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | | |

Other Attendees: *(Check box to have email address added to the distribution list)*

| Name | Representing | Contact (Phone & E-mail) |
|-----------------|------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Gary Darling | Darling Consulting | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Laura Nicholson | Senator Jim Nielsen's Office | <input type="checkbox"/> |
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