# GLENN COUNTY TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE For the Water Advisory Committee

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### Minutes

Meeting Date: August 6, 2013

Time: 2:00 pm

Place: Glenn County Agriculture Department 720 N. Colusa Street Willows, CA 95988

#### **TAC Members Present:**

Kevin Backus	Glenn Co. Environmental Health	
Jim Donnelly	Glenn Co. Ag Dept.	
Allan Fulton	UCCE	
Roy Hull	DWR	
Anjanette Shadley Martin WCWD		
Leigh McDaniel	Glenn Co. BOS	
George Wilson	North Area	
Lance Boyd	South Area	

#### TAC Members Absent:

Ben Pennock

Central Area

#### **Others in Attendance:**

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Lisa Hunter	Glenn Co. Ag Dept.
Zac Dickens	GCID
Chris Privitera	GCID
John Brooks	
Doug Ross	Valley Mirror
Vickie Newlin	Butte County
Lester Messina	
Larry Dominighini	WAC-GCFB
Rob Vlach	NRCS
Del Reimers	
Julie Smith	Wood Rodgers
Mardy Thomas	PPWA
Trish Saint-Evens	SOWR
Carol Perkins	BEC
Jim Brobeck	Aqualliance

- I. INTRODUCTIONS: Those in attendance introduced themselves.
- II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The minutes from the May 28, 2013 meeting were approved as mailed.

### **III. DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION ITEMS:**

- 1. WAC Report- At the last WAC meeting, an ad hoc committee was appointed for the west side groundwater level declines. See item 2. Larry Domenighini and Lisa Hunter will provide a report to the Board of Supervisors on WAC activities August 20. Donnan Arbuckle sent a notice that he has resigned from the Resource Conservation District, and thereby will not be serving as their representative on the WAC.
- 2. Westside ad hoc committee report- The committee met July 18 and developed a "to do" list with assignments for members to work on. Some ideas include modeling, recharge on the west side, well mapping, try to define "problem area", cost study for groundwater/surface water including capital costs, bring in additional surface water, and partnerships with others.

Committee is anticipating meeting again in October and will continue to work together in the meantime via email, phone calls, fax, etc.

- 3. Review and discuss summer 2013 water quality measurements- Water quality measurements are complete for the summer 2013 season. Twenty-four wells were sampled. pH for all wells is within the normal range (6.5-8.5). One well exceeds the agricultural and drinking water standards for electrical conductivity (700 and 900  $\mu$ S/cm respectively). Summary sheets were handed out.
- 4. Discuss and consider action regarding Report of Abnormal Groundwater Level reports- An overview of Glenn Colusa Irrigation District's (GCID) transfer program and associated forecast modeling was given by Zac Dickens. Between the Glenn County Department of Agriculture and GCID, 3 verbal Reports of Abnormal Groundwater Level have been received. No written forms have been returned. GCID, Glenn County, and DWR have worked cooperatively to collect and analyze data including additional monitoring of the reporting parties' wells, downloading dedicated monitoring well data in the areas of question, compiling hydrographs, and analyzing additional data obtained from reporting parties. At this time it does not appear that the pumping program is not having an effect on the reporting parties' wells. Additional monitoring and analysis will continue.
- 5. Update on 2013 groundwater substitution transfers- Glenn County is continuing to receive information from both districts involved in groundwater substitution transfers for 2013. See item 4 regarding information received from GCID as well as weekly groundwater reports. RD 1004 has three wells pumping in Glenn County. Approximately 350 acre-feet of groundwater have been pumped in Glenn County so far. RD 1004 has not received any complaints.
- 6. Other topics of interest- Questions were answered regarding GCID's transfer program. Sites Reservoir was discussed. The anticipated water bond was discussed. Butte County and the Glenn County WAC are sponsoring a Bay Delta Conservation Plan workshop on August 21 in Chico at the Masonic Center. Lassen Land sold 2,100 acres of almonds in western Glenn County.

# **IV. COMMUNICATIONS:**

Public Comments: None.

# NEXT MEETINGS:

The next TAC meeting is tentatively planned for early October.

The next WAC meeting is tentatively planned for November or December.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:45 pm.