GLENN COUNTY WATER ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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MINUTES

Meeting Date: December 10, 2013

Time: 1:30 pm

Place: Glenn-Colusa Irrigation District

344 East Laurel Street Willows, CA 95988

Water Advisory Committee Members Present:

Technical Advisory Committee Members Present:

Larry Domenighini Glenn County Farm Bureau Leigh McDaniel Glenn Co. Board of Supervisors Ted Trimble Western Canal Water District Lance Boyd South Area Mike Alves TC Canal Authority Districts Roy Hull Department of Water Resources Anjanette Shadley-Martin Mark Lohse At-Large Private Pumper East Area Resource Conservation District Jim Donnelly Bruce Roundy Glenn County Ag Commissioner

Water Advisory Committee Members Absent:

David Alves Central River Irrigation Districts

Sandy Willard-Denn GCID

Ken Sullivan Orland Unit Water Users Assoc.
Mike Vereschagin TC Canal Authority Districts
Darin Titus At-Large Private Pumper

Others in Attendance:

John D. Brooks

Lisa Hunter Glenn Co. Ag Dept.
Brian Taylor Glenn Co. Ag Dept.
Eric Miller MPM Engineering
John Garner (for David PCG Irrigation District

Alves)

John Garner At-Large Private Pumper

- I. INTRODUCTIONS: Those in attendance introduced themselves.
- II. <u>APPROVAL OF MINUTES:</u> Draft minutes from the previous meetings on July 8th and June 11th were not available. The approval of the minutes was postponed until the following meeting.

III. AGENDA ITEMS:

- A. Public Comment: None.
- **B.** Discussion & Action Items:

1. TAC Report

A summary of the TAC meeting held on August 6th was given; the meeting included presentations on water quality data from the summer and the GCID transfer program which included data collected regarding the abnormal groundwater level complaints in the area.

2. Election of Chairperson and Vice Chairperson

There were insufficient committee members present for a quorum. Elections will be held at the next WAC meeting.

3. Update on Member Vacancies

The two current vacancies on the WAC consist of an at-large position and a member of the East County Reclamation and Irrigation Districts, and a TAC position for a member of Planning and Public Works.

4. Update on 2013 Groundwater Substitution Transfers

The transfers have been completed and there have been no new complaints. The final reports will be ready in the spring. It was also mentioned that there will probably be a great need for water transfer programs and potential fallowing this year considering the dry weather conditions.

5. Fall Groundwater Measurements

Roy Hull, DWR, provided a report on both spring 2013 and fall 2013 groundwater measurements. The report was prefaced by a discussion of the variables which may potentially influence the consistency and accuracy of the measurements, such as locality and timing of the measurements. The report emphasized that despite the small upward trend in water levels observed on an annual basis in some areas, there is a general decline observable in the long-term data across the majority of the region, particularly in the Northwestern portion of Glenn County. Change maps were also handed out.

6. Reports

- a) Board of Supervisors report a summary of the report given to the Board of Supervisors in August was included as an attachment to the agenda. Topics included in the report were:
- Completion of the Glenn County Groundwater Reliability and Recharge Pilot Project Grant
- Spring groundwater measurements
- Summer water quality measurements
- Abnormal groundwater level reports
- · Ad Hoc Committee activities
- WAC/TAC vacancies
- Upcoming WAC activities
- b) Western Glenn County ad hoc committee report a summary of the committee's activities over the past four months (some of which were also referenced in the previous agenda item) was also included as an attachment to the agenda. Topics included:
- Potential for modeling studies including scope and funding
- Surface and groundwater cost study analysis
- Discussion points concerning policy from the July WAC meeting
- Options for county government involvement
- Surface water areas of need and detention basins/recharge possibilities
- Bureau of Reclamation involvement
- Well mapping in the "problem area"
- **C. Communications:** Attached to the agenda packet.

D. Member Reports:

Mr. Domenighini briefly discussed his attendance at the joint Butte County and Aquallinace Groundwater meeting. Ms. Hunter mentioned that the BDCP had been released and comments are due in April. Also, a DWR Sacramento River Regional Forum meeting will be held in Redding on 12/11/13.

IV. <u>NEXT MEETINGS:</u> The next WAC meeting was tentatively scheduled for January or February. There was no date set for the next TAC meeting.