

State of California, County of Siskiyou

Flood Control and Water Conservation District Minutes

April 18, 2023

The Honorable Directors of the Flood Control and Water Conservation District of Siskiyou County, California, met in regular session this 18th day of April 2023; there being present Directors Nancy Ogren, Brandon Criss, Ray A. Haupt, Ed Valenzuela and Michael N. Kobseff, County Administrator Angela Davis, District Counsel Edward J. Kiernan, and County Clerk and ex-Officio Clerk of the Board of Directors Laura Bynum by Deputy County Clerk Wendy Winningham.

The meeting was called to order by Chair Valenzuela.

Off Agenda Item – Flood Control and Water Conservation District - Request that the Flood Control and Water Conservation District authorize Angela Davis, or her designee, to sign a grant agreement with the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) by April 30, 2023.

Following an overview of the request to consider an item not on the posted agenda from District Counsel Edward J. Kiernan, it was moved by Director Kobseff, seconded by Director Haupt and carried, following a roll call vote with Directors Haupt, Kobseff, Criss, Ogren and Valenzuela voting YES.

Later in the meeting, Deputy County Administrator Elizabeth Nielsen provided an overview of the request, advising of receipt of a grant award for a Scott Valley groundwater recharge project and to authorize the County Administrator, or designee, to sign the grant agreement.

It was moved by Director Kobseff, seconded by Director Ogren and carried, following a roll call vote with Directors Haupt, Kobseff, Criss, Ogren and Valenzuela voting YES, to authorize the County Administrator, or designee, to sign the grant agreement with the California Department of Fish and Wildlife by the April 30, 2023 deadline.

Public Comment

There were no public comments received.

Consent Agenda – Approved.

It was moved by Director Kobseff, seconded by Director Criss and carried, following a roll call vote with Directors Haupt, Kobseff, Criss, Ogren and Valenzuela voting YES, that the following consent agenda is approved, and the Chair and/or clerk authorized to execute/record any necessary documents:

Flood Control and Water Conservation District - Approve submittal of the Butte Valley, Scott Valley and Shasta Valley GSP Annual Reports for Water Year 2022.

Flood Control and Water Conservation District - Discussion, direction and possible action re amendments to the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) Groundwater Basin Advisory Committee Charters for the Butte, Scott and Shasta Valleys. Approved.

Natural Resource Policy Specialist Matt Parker provided an overview of the request, including amendments related to the composition of each Advisory Committee. Mr. Parker additionally requested removal of a suggested edit to the Background and Purpose Section of each Advisory Committee Charter concerning compliance with the Ralph M. Brown Act (do not remove the term 'compliance').

It was moved by Director Kobseff, seconded by Director Haupt and carried, following a roll call vote with Directors Haupt, Kobseff, Criss, Ogren and Valenzuela voting YES, that the approve the Charter amendments as presented and modified.

Flood Control District/Natural Resources - Appointments to fill various positions on the Butte, Scott and Shasta Valley Groundwater Basin Advisory Committees. Bonnie Bennett appointed to Scott Valley Groundwater Basin Advisory Committee. No appointments made to the Butte and Shasta Valley Committees.

Natural Resource Policy Specialist Matt Parker provided an overview of the request, advising of one qualified applicant to be appointed. Mr. Parker recommended appointment of Bonnie Bennett as a Tribal Representative to the Scott Valley Groundwater Basin Advisory Committee.

Mr. Parker further advised that other applicants were not qualified to serve on the Shasta Valley Groundwater Basin Advisory Committee due to changes made to the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) Groundwater Basin Advisory Committee Charters for the Butte, Scott and Shasta Valleys.

It was moved by Director Haupt, seconded by Director Kobseff and carried, following a roll call vote with Directors Haupt, Kobseff, Criss, Ogren and Valenzuela voting YES, to appoint Bonnie Bennett to the Shasta Valley Groundwater Basin Advisory Committee Tribal Representative position.

Mr. Parker advised that the remaining positions would remain vacant until the next recruitment.

Minute Approval - April 4, 2023. Approved.

it was moved by Director Kobseff, seconded by Director Ogren and carried, following a roll call vote with Directors Haupt, Kobseff, Criss, Ogren and Valenzuela voting YES to approve the April 4, 2023 as presented.

Adjournment - There being no further business to come before the Board of Directors, the meeting was adjourned.

Attest:
Laura Bynum, County Clerk

Ed Valenzuela, Chair

By: _____
Deputy