

Members

Diane Dillon
Mark Luce
David Graves
Jeff Reichel
Phill Blake
Donald Gasser
Kate Dargan
Jeffrey Redding
Tom Shelton
Charles Slutzkin
Carol Kunze
Richard Camera

Alternates

Harold Moskowitz
Karen Slusser

- MINUTES / ACTION SUMMARY -

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Thursday, June 23, 2005 at 4:00 p.m.
2nd Floor Conference Room, Hall of Justice Building,
1125 Third Street, Napa CA

Staff Representatives

Patrick Lowe,
Secretary
Deputy Director,
Conservation Div., CDPD

Jeff Sharp,
Watershed Coordinator
Planner III,
Conservation Div., CDPD

Laura Anderson,
Counsel
Attorney IV,
County Counsel's Office

1. CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL (Chairman)

Members Present: Diane Dillon, Mark Luce, Jeff Reichel, Phill Blake, Donald Gasser, Kate Dargan, Jeffrey Redding, Charles Slutzkin, Richard Camera

Members Absent Excused: David Graves, Karen Slusser

Members Absent: Tom Shelton, Carol Kunze

Staff Present: Patrick Lowe, Jeff Sharp

2. APPROVAL OF ACTION MINUTES

Regular meeting of May 26, 2005 (Chairman)

Outcome: Approved as presented.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

In this time period, anyone may comment to the Board regarding any subject over which the Board has jurisdiction, or request consideration to place an item on a future Agenda. No comments will be allowed involving any subject matter that is scheduled for discussion as part of this Agenda. Individuals will be limited to a three-minute presentation. No action will be taken by the Board as a result of any item presented at this time. (Chairman)

Outcome: None presented.

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS (Board/Staff)

- a. The California Association of Resource Conservation District's (CARCD) has expressed interest in conducting a **locally specific "Conservation Corridors at a Landscape Level" workshop** with a goal to educate participants on how to use the science of conservation planning to create pro-active, voluntary opportunities for working lands in the urban-wildlands interface (Staff/RCD)

Outcome: Phill Blake recommended that the workshop (originally developed by the NRCS) should be tailored to meet local (Napa County's) conditions and needs (specifically in the areas of large parcel ownership land use and riparian corridors). Charles Slutzkin recommended that the workshop be closely coordinated with the education efforts provided by the Resource Conservation District.

b. Others

Outcome: Staff announced that the City Selection Committee met on Tuesday, June 21, 2005 and nominated two representatives to serve on the WICC Board (Lori Luporini, from the City of American Canyon and Mark Van Gorder, from the City of Napa). The County Board of Supervisors is expected to appoint the nominees in mid to late July (likely on July 25, 2005). It was mentioned that during the WICC Board's 2005-06 strategic planning process a recommendation was made to have a member from each city/town serve on the WICC.

Staff also announced that the TMDL Technical Reports prepared by the SWRCB are due for release on Tuesday, June 28, 2005. RWQCB staff is scheduled to make a presentation to the Board of Supervisors on July 19, 2005 and a larger community presentation on July 21, 2005 at the Yountville Community Hall (from 1:30-4:30).

Staff additionally mentioned that a brief presentation about the WICC WebCenter launch was presented to the Environmental Education Coalition of Napa County (EECNC) on June 16, 2005. The Coalition is interested in using and WebCenter to help promote their organization and activities.

5. **UPDATES/REPORTS:**

- a. Report and background information on **Streamline Permitting Process** undertaken by the Marin Resource Conservation District (Staff)

Outcome: Staff presented an information packet containing newsletters from the Marin RCD describing the process undertaken in Marin County. The information was provided as a follow-up to an earlier presentation on the streamline permitting given to the WICC Board by NRCS staff (Daniel Mount Joy and Phill Blake) on February 24, 2005. Charles Slutzkin recommended that the topic of streamlined permitting be placed on the Napa RCD Board agenda and that funding options be explored to support a similar effort in Napa County. Phill Blake mentioned that a streamline permitting program requires sustained local responsibility and substantial staffing requirements over the long-term to ensure its success.

- b. Update on the City Selection Committee meeting held on June 21, 2005 and the **Committee's recommend nominees for appointment by the County Board of Supervisors** to fill vacancies on the WICC Board (Staff)

Outcome: As mentioned under announcements above, the City Selection Committee met on Tuesday, June 21, 2005 and nominated two representatives to serve on the WICC Board (Lori Luporini, from the City of American Canyon and Mark Van Gorder, from the City of Napa). The County Board of Supervisors is expected to appoint the nominees in mid to late July (likely July 25, 2005).

6. **PRESENTATION, DISCUSSION AND REQUEST FOR COMMENT:**

Presentation, discussion and request for comments on one or more of the following draft sections prepared for the Napa County **Baseline Data Report (BDR): Surface Hydrology and related hydrology elements** (Staff/Jones & Stokes/EDAW)

Outcome: Staff introduced Ken Schwartz from Jones & Stokes Associates (along with Carter Borden from DHI) who presented and overview of the surface hydrology and other related hydrology elements of the BDR. Staff also mentioned that an overview and update on the BDR and its timeline for completion will be presented to the Board of Supervisors on July 28, 2005 and the County's General Plan Steering Committee on August 31, 2005.

7. **REPORT, DISCUSSION AND REQUEST TO ESTABLISH A TEMPORARY AD-HOC SUB-COMMITTEE:**

Report, discussion and request to **establish a temporary ad-hoc subcommittee to assist in the development of a countywide watershed monitoring strategy** (Staff)

Outcome: Don Gasser, Kate Dargan, Jeff Reichel, Richard Camera, Phill Blake and Charles Slutzkin express an interest in serving on the ad-hoc subcommittee. A meeting date in the month of July will be selected based upon member availability. A report of the subcommittee's actions will be given at the following WICC Board meeting.

8. **PRESENTATION, DISCUSSION AND BOARD DIRECTION ON 2005-06 DRAFT WICC STRATEGIC PLAN:**

Presentation, discussion and **Board direction on 2005-06 Draft Strategic Plan** prepared from Board Member interviews, Board discussion during its May 9, 2005 Strategic Planning Workshop and comments received on Draft Executive Summary (Staff/Consultant)

Outcome: The Board's consultant, Tina Stott (of Pacific Municipal Consultants) presented an overview of the planning process to date and assisted with the Board with its prioritization of action items outlined in the draft plan, as well as the selection of alternative organizational structures and potential funding options. Board members participated in the discussion, prioritization process and discussed various funding options presented. The comments and recommendations received from the Board will be included in the final plan as it develops. A pre-final plan for the WICC Board's review is expected to be completed in late July.

9. **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS** (Board/Staff)

- a. Final BDR elements for Board review and comment

Outcome: Covered under item number 6.

- b. Others

Outcome: None presented.

10. **NEXT MEETING – Regular Board Meeting of July 28, 2005 – 4:00 PM**
Hall of Justice Building, 2nd floor Conference Room, 1125 Third Street, Napa

11. **ADJOURNMENT** (Chairman)

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