

Anderson-Cottonwood Irrigation District

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MINUTES

BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING

SEPTEMBER 8, 2011

Directors present: Haynes and Kreps.

Directors absent: Blankenship; Butcher; Munson.

District staff present: Kelley and Wangberg.

Other attendees: Bill Gregory; Brett Isbell, CH2M HILL; Mr. Lema; Ken Mariette, Shasta Community Services District; Chuck Neve; Merrill Spoon; Heather Waldrop, CH2M HILL.

Due to the lack of a quorum, this meeting was postponed. The meeting will be re-scheduled and noticed as required. The Public Hearing was conducted as scheduled.

PUBLIC HEARING

P.H.1. REVIEW AND DISCUSS PUBLIC DRAFT *FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT/INITIAL STUDY AND FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT/MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION* FOR THE ANDERSON-COTTONWOOD IRRIGATION DISTRICT INTEGRATED REGIONAL WATER MANAGEMENT PROGRAM – GROUNDWATER PRODUCTION ELEMENT PROJECT (GENERAL MANAGER WANGBERG / CH2M HILL).

Brett Isbell and Heather Waldrop from CH2M HILL were introduced by General Manager Wangberg to provide information and answer questions from the Board and the public. The following information was presented:

Funding for this project is being provided by the California Department of Water Resources (Proposition 50) and the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation. The State funding is being administered by the Northern California Water Association, who is lead agency for the State contract; individual projects, including A.C.I.D.'s, are being managed by the agencies and their consultant teams under the umbrella of

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PUBLIC HEARING *continued*

the State contract. A.C.I.D. has an individual funding agreement with the Bureau of Reclamation.

The public draft Environmental Assessment, Initial Study, Finding of No Significant Impact, and Mitigated Negative Declaration has been released for public review for the period of August 30 through September 30, 2011. This document contains extensive technical data in regard to the project, including the development of a new groundwater model of the Redding Basin that was used to analyze potential impacts of the project.

A schedule for the CEQA and NEPA process was made available at the hearing that includes the following:

- Public review period
- Preparation of draft final document for USBR and ACID review
- Completion of final document
- 30-day “cool down” period

Following the cool down period ending approximately December 13, the District’s Board of Directors will consider a Notice of Determination which, upon approval, will be filed with Shasta County with appropriate fees and distributed as required by State and Federal laws.

Construction may begin subsequent to completion of the environmental documentation and filing of the Notice of Determination.

The purpose of this project is to develop a supplemental water supply that may be used within the District’s canal system during periods of shortage that may result from dry-year curtailments or supply problems within the system such as reduced flows due to aquatic vegetation within the canal profile.

- END OF PUBLIC HEARING -

Respectfully submitted,



Stan Wangberg
General Manager / Board Secretary