

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Kings River Watershed Coalition Authority (Kings River Coalition) held February 16, 2016. The meeting was held at the offices of the Kings River Conservation District (KRCD) located at 4886 E. Jensen Avenue, Fresno, CA 93725.

CALL TO ORDER

President Mark McKean called the meeting to order at 11:25 a.m.

DIRECTORS / ALTERNATES PRESENT (25 of 27 Members Present)

ALTA IRRIGATION DISTRICT - Director Chris Kapheim, Alt. Norman Waldner
 CLARK'S FORK RECLAMATION DISTRICT #2069 –Alt. Director Ron Allvin
 CONSOLIDATED IRRIGATION DISTRICT - Director Larry Cruff, Alt Director Phil Desatoff
 CORCORAN IRRIGATION CO.- Proxy Mark Unruh
 CRESCENT CANAL COMPANY - Director Mark McKean
 EMPIRE WEST SIDE IRRIGATION DISTRICT - Director John Howe
 FRESNO IRRIGATION DISTRICT- Director George Porter
 JAMES IRRIGATION DISTRICT- Alt. Director Steve Stadler
 JOHN HEINLEN MUTUAL WATER CO.- Alt Director Ronnie Silva
 KINGS RIVER CONSERVATION DISTRICT - Director David Cehrs, Alt Director Mark McKean
 KINGS RIVER WATER DISTRICT - Director Jack Paxton
 LAGUNA IRRIGATION DISTRICT- Director Frank Zonneveld, Alt Scott Sills
 LAST CHANCE WATER DITCH CO. - Alt. Director Mark Unruh, Alt. Director Dennis Mills
 LEMOORE CANAL & DITCH CO. – Alt. Ronnie Silva
 LIBERTY CANAL CO. - Director Mike Nordstrom
 LIBERTY MILL RACE CO. - Proxy Director Scott Sills
 LOVELACE WATER CORPORATION - Alternate Director Mark Unruh
 PEOPLES DITCH CO. - Proxy Mark Unruh
 REED DITCH CO. - Director Mark McKean
 RIVERDALE IRRIGATION DISTRICT - Director Leonard Acquistapace
 SOUTHEAST LAKE WATER CO. - Alternate Director Mark Unruh
 STRATFORD IRRIGATION DISTRICT - Director Louie Rodrigues
 TULARE LAKE CANAL CO. - Alternate Director Mark Unruh
 UPPER SAN JOSE WATER CO. - Director Mike Nordstrom
 TULARE LAKE RECLAMATION DISTRICT #761 - Director Ceil Howe Jr.

OTHERS PRESENT

Eric Athorp, KRCD	Dennis Mills, Kings County Water District
Casey Creamer, Coordinator	Donna Pepper, KRCD
Steve Haugen, Kings River Water Assoc	Gary Sawyers, Bolen, Fransen, Sawyers
Jaime Howe, Westlake Farms	Randy Shilling, Treasurer
Tom Hurlbutt, JG Boswell	Bill Stretch, Fresno Irrigation District
Lauren Layne, Baker, Manock, Jensen	Brian Trevarrow, KRCD
Doug Jensen, Baker, Manock, Jensen	Cristel Tufenkjian, KRCD

ADDITION TO OR DELETION FROM THE AGENDA: None

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS: None

REPORTS

Policy Updates: Casey Creamer, Coalition Coordinator, reported receiving the preliminary Isotope Study report from Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory (LLNL). Chris Kapheim and David Cehrs have reviewed the report and a conference call is scheduled to discuss the report with Research Scientist Brad Esser of LLNL.

Mr. Creamer reported work continues with 4Creeks, Inc., on the rollout of the new website and online database and is continuing the transition from its previous database. The new website and database will allow members with email addresses to complete information request online, edit their account information, and make adjustments to their parcel list prior to annual membership renewal.

Mr. Creamer further reported on the State Water Resources Control Board's release of their proposed modifications to the East San Joaquin WDR. The proposed modifications would be precedent setting and be applied to all irrigated agricultural operations in the state. The proposed modifications are significant and include uniform reporting requirements that are not based on a field being in a high/low vulnerability area; the Farm Evaluation, Nitrogen Management Plan (NMP) and NMP Summary Report templates have been modified; the third-party will now provide the data submitted by the coalition members to the Regional Water Board; each farm will be required to monitor its drinking water wells.

Outreach: Cristel Tufenkjian, Outreach Coordinator, reported that there are four self-certification courses scheduled for March to allow Coalition members that successfully complete the course to have the ability to certify their Nitrogen Management Plans. E-mail and postcard notifications were sent to applicable growers (60 acres plus and designated as high vulnerability). The courses are scheduled for March 4th in Hanford, March 11th in Selma, March 18th in Easton, and March 22nd in Reedley.

ACTION ITEMS

Minutes of the December 15, 2015 meeting

It was moved by Director Zonneveld, and seconded by Director Cehrs, and unanimously approved, the meeting Minutes from the December 15, 2015 meeting of the Kings River Watershed Coalition Authority as presented.

(VOTE RECORD- Yes- ALTA IRRIGATION DISTRICT - Director Chris Kapheim, Alt. Norman Waldner
 CLARK'S FORK RECLAMATION DISTRICT #2069 -Alt. Director Ron Allvin
 CONSOLIDATED IRRIGATION DISTRICT - Director Larry Cruff, Alt Director Phil Desatoff
 CORCORAN IRRIGATION CO.- Proxy Mark Unruh
 CRESCENT CANAL COMPANY - Director Mark McKean
 EMPIRE WEST SIDE IRRIGATION DISTRICT - Director John
 FRESNO IRRIGATION DISTRICT- Director George Porter
 JAMES IRRIGATION DISTRICT- Alt. Director Steve Stadler
 JOHN HEINLEN MUTUAL WATER CO.- Alt Director Ronnie Silva
 KINGS RIVER CONSERVATION DISTRICT - Director David Cehrs, Alt Director Mark McKean
 KINGS RIVER WATER DISTRICT - Director Jack Paxton
 LAGUNA IRRIGATION DISTRICT- Director Frank Zonneveld, Alt Scott Sills
 LAST CHANCE WATER DITCH CO. - Alt. Director Mark Unruh, Alt. Director Dennis Mills
 LEMOORE CANAL & DITCH CO. - Alt. Ronnie Silva
 LIBERTY CANAL CO. - Director Mike Nordstrom
 LIBERTY MILL RACE CO. - Proxy Director Scott Sills
 LOVELACE WATER CORPORATION - Alternate Director Mark Unruh
 PEOPLES DITCH CO. - Proxy Mark Unruh
 REED DITCH CO. - Director Mark McKean
 RIVERDALE IRRIGATION DISTRICT - Director Leonard Acquistapace
 SOUTHEAST LAKE WATER CO. - Alternate Director Mark Unruh

STRATFORD IRRIGATION DISTRICT - Director Louie Rodrigues
 TULARE LAKE CANAL CO. - Alternate Director Mark Unruh
 UPPER SAN JOSE WATER CO. - Director Mike Nordstrom
 TULARE LAKE RECLAMATION DISTRICT #761 - Director Ceil Howe Jr.
 No-None)

Financial Report

Brian Trevarrow, Assistant Treasurer, presented an expense to budget comparison report for the period ending January 31, 2016 for FY 2015-16.

It was moved by Director Cehrs, and seconded by Director Kapheim, and unanimously approved, the expense to budget comparison report for the period ending January 31, 2015 for FY 2015-16 as presented.

(VOTE RECORD- Yes-ALTA IRRIGATION DISTRICT - Director Chris Kapheim, Alt. Norman Waldner
 CLARK'S FORK RECLAMATION DISTRICT #2069 -Alt. Director Ron Allvin
 CONSOLIDATED IRRIGATION DISTRICT - Director Larry Cruff, Alt Director Phil Desatoff
 CORCORAN IRRIGATION CO.- Proxy Mark Unruh
 CRESCENT CANAL COMPANY - Director Mark McKean
 EMPIRE WEST SIDE IRRIGATION DISTRICT - Director John
 FRESNO IRRIGATION DISTRICT- Director George Porter
 JAMES IRRIGATION DISTRICT- Alt. Director Steve Stadler
 JOHN HEINLEN MUTUAL WATER CO.- Alt Director Ronnie Silva
 KINGS RIVER CONSERVATION DISTRICT - Director David Cehrs, Alt Director Mark McKean
 KINGS RIVER WATER DISTRICT - Director Jack Paxton
 LAGUNA IRRIGATION DISTRICT- Director Frank Zonneveld, Alt Scott Sills
 LAST CHANCE WATER DITCH CO. - Alt. Director Mark Unruh, Alt. Director Dennis Mills
 LEMOORE CANAL & DITCH CO. - Alt. Ronnie Silva
 LIBERTY CANAL CO. - Director Mike Nordstrom
 LIBERTY MILL RACE CO. - Proxy Director Scott Sills
 LOVELACE WATER CORPORATION - Alternate Director Mark Unruh
 PEOPLES DITCH CO. - Proxy Mark Unruh
 REED DITCH CO. - Director Mark McKean
 RIVERDALE IRRIGATION DISTRICT - Director Leonard Acquistapace
 SOUTHEAST LAKE WATER CO. - Alternate Director Mark Unruh
 STRATFORD IRRIGATION DISTRICT - Director Louie Rodrigues
 TULARE LAKE CANAL CO. - Alternate Director Mark Unruh
 UPPER SAN JOSE WATER CO. - Director Mike Nordstrom
 TULARE LAKE RECLAMATION DISTRICT #761 - Director Ceil Howe Jr.
 No-None)

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, President McKean adjourned the meeting at 12:35 P.M.

Attest: _____
 Vice President

Approved: _____ on April 19, 2016
 President