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AGENDA

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

**Thursday, March 24, 2005 at 4:00 p.m.**  
**2nd Floor Conference Room, Hall of Justice Building,**  
**1125 Third Street, Napa CA**

Staff Representatives

Patrick Lowe,  
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Deputy Director,  
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Jeff Sharp,  
**Watershed Coordinator**  
Planner III,  
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Laura Anderson,  
**Counsel**  
Attorney IV,  
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1. **CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL** (Chairman)

2. **APPROVAL OF ACTION MINUTES**

Meeting of February 24, 2004 (Chairman)

3. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

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4. **ANNOUNCEMENTS** (Board/Staff)

5. **UPDATES/REPORTS:**

a. Update on **Watershed Awareness Month – May 2005** (Staff/RCD)

- i. **Event poster** development
- ii. County Board of Supervisor's **proclamation**
- iii. WICC website feature and **public launch/mail-out**

b. Update on status of County **Board of Supervisor's resolution granting** the Director of Conservation, Development and Planning limited **authority to apply for watershed grants** to support the mission of the WICC Board (Staff)

c. Update and reminder of Board's **Strategic Planning Workshop, May 9, 2005, 8:30am – 1:30pm** (Staff)

d. Update on available **grant opportunities** (Staff)

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

Update on Baseline **Data Report (BDR) progress and delivery schedule**, discussion of currently available draft elements and request for Board comment (Staff/Jones & Stokes/EDAW)

7. **PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION**

Presentation and discussion on **coordinated permitting and incentives for stream restoration and enhancement**, facilitated by the USDA Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS) (Staff/NRCS)

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

- a. Napa River TMDL update from Regional Water Quality Control Board staff
- b. Additional BDR elements for Board review and comment
- c. Others

9. **NEXT MEETING**

**April 28, 2005, 4:00PM**

Hall of Justice Building, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor Conference Room, 1125 Third Street, Napa

10. **ADJOURNMENT** (Chairman)



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## - MINUTES / ACTION SUMMARY -

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#### 1. **CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL** (Chairman)

Members Present: Diane Dillon, David Graves, Jeff Reichel, Phill Blake, Donald Gasser, Charles Slutzkin, David Crawford, Carol Kunze

Members Absent Excused: Mark Luce, Kate Dargan, Jeffrey Redding, Tom Shelton, Richard Camera

Members Absent: Eric Knight

Staff Present: Patrick Lowe, Jeff Sharp

#### 2. **APPROVAL OF ACTION MINUTES**

Meeting of January 27, 2004 (Chairman)

Outcome: Approved as presented.

#### 3. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

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Outcome: None received.

#### 4. **ANNOUNCEMENTS** (Board/Staff)

Outcome: Informational.

Staff informed the Board of the County of Napa's Boards, Committees and Commissions Workshop, to be held Thursday, March 31, 2005. Workshop space is limited and will likely fill quickly. It will be held in the Board of Supervisors' meeting room, located at 1195 Third Street, Room 305. Staff is planning on participating and encouraged the Chair and Vice Chair to attend..

Board member, Carol Kunze announced the re-opening of the public comment period for the Bureau of Reclamation's Draft Environmental Impact Statement, prepared in support of the Bureau's Visitor's Service

Plan efforts. The newly reopened comment period closes April 4, 2005. Board Member Diane Dillon added that the Bureau's future plan for Berryessa is a critically important issue for the citizens of Napa County.

## 5. UPDATES/REPORTS:

- a. Update on **WICC Website** internal launch to Board (Staff)

*Outcome:* Informational. Staff noted that the WICC website is now being used for WICC Board meeting announcements and material distribution. Staff also mentioned that very few comments about the site have been received from the Board. As a part of the internal launch and testing, the beta test groups have been invited to participate. The site is currently being tested/refined and content is being developed to fill out the new menu structure. Public launch is still on track for May. A brief discussion by the Board followed.

- b. Update and request for watershed activities and events during the month of May to promote "**Watershed Awareness Month**" (Staff/RCD)

*Outcome:* Informational. Staff and Leigh Sharp (RCD) gave the Board an update on local efforts to support May 2005 as Watershed Awareness Month. A range of activities are being planned, including: promotion of watershed related events, press releases, direct mailings, poster development WICC website promotion and others. Ms. Sharp asked the Board to provide information on their groups' respective events for the month of May for inclusion in the public awareness and outreach efforts.

- c. Update on status of collaborative **Agricultural Water Quality Grant Program (AWQGP) proposal** (Staff/San Francisco Estuary Institute)

*Outcome:* Informational. Rainer Hoenicke (SFEI) gave the Board an update and brief presentation on the approval process and progress on the AWQGP proposal submitted by SFEI, RCD and others. On November 18, 2004, the WICC Board recommend that the County Board of Supervisors send a letter in support of the proposal on behalf of the WICC. Rainer said final approval by the Water Board looks favorable and is expected to take place on March 17, 2005. If approved, elements in the proposal will help support various action items in the WICC Board's Strategic Plan. In discussion about this proposal and others throughout the County, the Board requested further information on local agency permitting for watershed restoration projects and where opportunities may exist to enhance/improve permitting timelines (also noted under future agenda items).

- d. Budget Update on **2005-06 WICC Budget** (Staff)

*Outcome:* Informational. Staff gave the Board an update on current budget discussions underway between the Conservation, Development and Planning Department (CDPD) and the County's Executive Office. Staff informed the Board that a slight reduction in County funding for the WICC program is expected (a 10% decrease) in the next fiscal year budget. Once County budgets are finalized Staff will return with another update.

## 6. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE DIRECTION TO STAFF:

Discussion and possible direction to staff on **scheduling the Board's 2005 Strategic Planning Workshop** (Staff)

*Outcome:* Established May 9, 2005 as the date for Board's Strategic Planning Workshop. Staff presented the Board with a list of various available dates. After a brief discussion, the Board selected May 9, 2005 as the most suitable date available. Staff will confirm the date and send an e-mail out to the full Board.

## 7. PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION

Presentation and discussion of the **Draft Biology Section** prepared for the Napa County **Baseline Data Report (BDR)** (Staff/Jones & Stokes/EDAW)

*Outcome: Informational. Ken Schwartz (J&S/EDAW) introduced the work being done on the BDR draft biology section and consultant team staff members Kaylene Keller, GIS specialist, and David Zippen, biologist. Mr. Zippen provided the Board with a presentation outlining the BDR Team's current work on the section and Ms. Keller demonstrated the associated mapping products and resource analysis tools. The methods used by the BDR Team in preparing the draft section were also presented. Discussion with and among the Board carried throughout the presentation.*

## 8. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS (Board/Staff)

*Outcome:*

- a. *Discussion and presentation on the permitting process in Napa County for stream restoration projects and opportunities for improvement.*
- b. *Update on resolution granting limited authority to the Director of Planning to apply for watershed related grants on the WICC Boards' behalf.*

## 9. NEXT MEETING

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