

**SIERRA VALLEY GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
REGULAR BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

Loyalton Social Hall – Loyalton, CA

Monday, May 18, 2015

6PM

Special Meeting

MINUTES

1) CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL OF DIRECTORS

Chairman Genasci called the meeting to order at 6:11 PM. Directors present: Wallace, Swofford, Roen, Roberti, Directors absent: Ramelli Also present: Jim Beard, Tim Beals, Randy Wilson, Holly George

2) PUBLIC COMMENT

Randy Wilson told the Directors that the SVGMD, being a “special district”, can act as a lead agency over any CEQA (California Environmental Quality Act) compliances, such as stream stabilization, and well spacing in the SVGMD.

Jim Beard, said thank you to all of the SVGMD for doing good work.

Holly George (County of Plumas Department Head & Livestock/Natural Resources Advisor – University of California Cooperative Extension Plumas-Sierra Counties), requested that there be stronger participation from the ranchers throughout the valley in the IRWM Agriculture workgroup. Ms. George invited all interested parties to the IRWM Agricultural Land Stewardship Workgroup meeting on Tuesday, May 26, 2015 to address issues regarding IRWM objectives. Copies of ‘Agricultural Lands Stewardship Workgroup – RMS/Issues Linkage – Draft 5-18-2015’ were passed out to the Directors present and on file.

3) DISCUSSIONS/ACTIONS

Discussion regarding filing the Conceptual Project Summary Form – Step 1 (CPSF-Step 1) for the IRWM (Upper Feather River Regional Water Management Group) list of implementation projects for the inclusion in the IRWM Plan update.

Kristi Jamason has authored a draft of the CPSF – Step 1. After reviewing this draft the Directors asked the secretary to change the following items:

- under data or studies that document both the need for the project and the technical feasibility of the project:
delete 1963 report

under schedule overall duration of the work effort with a few key milestones identified

delete 2-3 years

under are you ready to proceed with preparing the IRWM Project Information Form (pending verification signed MOU has been submitted)

YES

Under has your agency/organization signed, or intend to sign, the Memorandum of Understanding for the Upper Feather River IRWM Plan Update

Yes

The rest of the draft will be submitted as is.

Director Roen made a motion to accept the draft completed as presented, Director Swofford 2nd, motion carried, all in favor, as indicated by AYES below.

Genasci	AYE
Wallace	AYE
Swofford	AYE
Roen	AYE
Roberti	AYE

Director Roen recommended the SVGMD include the implementation of GIS (Geographic Information System) in the Step 2 – IRWM Project Information Form and Instructions.

Purposed ideas shared for possible inclusion in the IRWM Plan Update were:

- a Feasibility Study on how to recharge areas in the SVGMD.
- Development of a GIS (Geographic Information System) for the SVGMD
- an enhanced meter measuring/monitoring system
- telemetry equipment on meters
- conjunctive management inter-relationship between groundwater surface water
 - capacity for management of grant writing
- template that would be used county-wide
- SVGMD administrative tools

4) ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Genasci adjourned the meeting at 8 PM.

Juliana Walsh, Secretary