

Inland Water & Power Commission

P.O. Box 1247 • Ukiah, CA 95482

Phone (707) 391-7574 • Email: mcwpc@mendoiwpc.com

AGENDA
Regular Meeting

Date: April 9, 2020 Thursday
Time: 6:00 pm
Place: Zoom online conference:
<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/843134677>
Meeting ID: 843 134 677

Call in, non-smart phone: 669 900 6833

(All items are considered action items unless otherwise noted)

1. Roll Call
2. Public Expression - See end of agenda for information on public expression
3. Minutes
 - a. Approval/Correction of minutes of the meetings of March 12, 2020
4. Consent Calendar
 - a. Approve expenses on billing statements for March 2020
 - b. Update on financial accounts
5. Commissioner Reports — Reports by Commissioners on meetings attended or actions taken by their agencies as well as informational items, including:
 - a. Report from the Upper Russian River Stewardship Alliance regarding frost water use
 - b. Eel/Russian River Commission meeting update
 - c. North Coast Quagga/Zebra Mussel Prevention Consortium update
 - d. Update regarding actions and discussion of the state water bond issues
 - e. Report on Upper Russian River Water Agency JPA
 - f. Report on the Upper Russian River Water Manager's meeting
 - g. Discussion of ground water rights & Sustainable Groundwater Mgmt. Act (SGMA)
 - h. Update on the City of Ukiah recycled water purple pipe project
 - i. CalCannabis regulation update and related issues
6. Potter Valley Project
 - a. Status report and discussion of the Two-Basin Partnership efforts to license the Potter Valley Project
 - b. Update on current Lake Pillsbury releases to the Eel & Russian Rivers and related issues
 - c. Update on the Sandoval Study
7. Update on the IWPC Communication Program and Website

8. U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Feasibility Study on Coyote Dam – Update on Corps’ activities and input from Participating Members
 - a. Report on Lake Mendocino water levels and conditions at Coyote Valley Dam
 - b. Update on Feasibility Study & meetings with the Corps of Engineers
 - c. Discussion of researching grant funding for the Feasibility Study match
 - d. Progress on Congressman Huffman’s ‘Forecast Informed Reservoir Operation’s bill
9. NMFS Listing of the Coho Salmon and Steelhead as Threatened
 - a. Executive Committee and/or Public Policy Facilitating Committee Reports
 - b. Biological Opinion Implementation Update
10. Discussions and reports of additional water supply sources and storage sites
11. State Water Resources Control Board - Updates on various activities from the SWRCB
 - a. AB2121
 - b. D1610
12. New Business
 - a. Discussion and possible action regarding Insurance carrier
13. CLOSED SESSION: Conference with Real Property Negotiators (Gov’t Code §54956.8)
Property: PG&E Potter Valley Project
Agency Negotiators: Janet Pauli & David Aladjem
Negotiating Parties: IWPC and FERC
Under Negotiation: Price and Terms
14. Adjournment

PUBLIC EXPRESSION

The Commission welcomes participation in their meetings. Comments shall be limited so that everyone may be heard. This item is limited to matters under the jurisdiction of the Commission which are not on the posted agenda and items which have not already been considered by the Commission. The Commission limits testimony on matters not on the agenda to three (3) minutes per person. No action will be taken. Individuals wishing to address the Commission under Public Expression are welcome to do so throughout the meeting day. To best facilitate these items, please notify either the Chairman of the Commission or the Secretary of the Commission.

CLOSED SESSION

If agendaized, the Commission may adjourn to a closed session to consider litigation, personnel matters, or real estate negotiations. Discussion of real estate negotiations may be held in closed session - Authority: Government Code Section 54956.8. Discussion of litigation or pending litigation may be held in closed session -- Authority: Government Code Section 54956.9. Discussion of personnel matters may be held in closed session -- Authority: Government Code Section 54957.

ADDITION TO THE AGENDA

(If any) in accordance with Section 54954.2 (b)(2) of the Government Code (Brown Act) Two-thirds Vote Required for Action Items. (Upon determination by a two-thirds vote of the legislative body, or, if less than two-thirds of the members are present, unanimous vote of those members present, that the need to take action arose after the Agenda was posted.)

Mendocino County

Inland Water & Power Commission

P.O. Box 1247 • Ukiah, CA 95482

Phone (707) 391-7574 • Email: mciwpc@mendoiwpc.com

draft

MINUTES

Special Meeting

March 12, 2020

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. in Conference Room 5, located in the City of Ukiah Civic Center Annex, 411 West Clay, Ukiah, CA by Chair Janet Pauli.

The following Commissioners were present:

Janet Pauli—Chair (Potter Valley Irrigation District)
John Reardan—Vice-Chair (Russian River Flood Control District)
Marvin Talso—Commissioner (Redwood Valley County Water District)
Juan Orozco—Commissioner (City of Ukiah)
Carre Brown—Commissioner (County of Mendocino Water Agency)

The following individuals were present:

Sean White—City of Ukiah water staff
Elizabeth Salomone—RRFCD General Manager
Jim Brown—Alternate Commissioner City of Ukiah

Public Expression

Chair Pauli explained that anything not currently on the agenda may be discussed at this time, however no action could be taken. She further advised that comments would be welcome throughout the meeting.

CLOSED SESSION: The Commissioners went into Closed Session at 7:08 pm.

Conference with Real Property Negotiators (Gov't Code §54956.8)

Property: PG&E Potter Valley Project

Agency Negotiators: Janet Pauli & David Aladjem

Negotiating Parties: IWPC and FERC

Under Negotiation: Price and Terms

The Commissioners came out of Closed Session at 7:50 pm and direction was given.

Minutes

On a motion by Vice-Chair Reardan, seconded by Orozco, the minutes of the meeting of February 13, 2020 were unanimously approved.

Consent Calendar

On a motion by Commissioner Talso, seconded by Reardan, the consent calendar items for February 2020 were unanimously approved.

Commissioner Reports

- a. Report from the Upper Russian River Stewardship Alliance regarding frost water use—Commissioner Talso reported that the RVCWD is having to do a major renovation at the its Lake Mendocino tower as two of the pumps are failing which should cost around \$100,000 to replace.
- b. Eel/Russian River Commission meeting update—No report.
- c. North Coast Quagga/Zebra Mussel Prevention Consortium update—This prevention program is now funded for 365 days a year.
- d. Update regarding actions and discussion of the state water bond issues—White discussed water system bond money that is available for disadvantaged community (DACs) water agencies in our area.
- e. Report on the Upper Russian River Water Agency JPA—At the last meeting, the RRFCD withdrew from the JPA as they felt their agency didn't really fit the JPA precepts, but they wish to continue a strong liaison with the members of the JPA.
- f. Report on Upper Russian River Water Manager's meeting—The next scheduled meeting has been cancelled.
- g. Discussion of ground water rights & Sustainable Groundwater Mgmt Act (SGMA)—Commissioner Carre Brown reported that they discussed a member agency assessment of \$3,000 that should cover two years of administrative costs. There also was a presentation on the Sustainability Goals. The next meeting will be in May.
- h. City of Ukiah purple pipe recycled water program—White reported that they performed a test run of the system to the purple pipe customers and everything performed well.
- j. CalCannabis regulation and related issues—No report.

Potter Valley Project

- a. Status report and discussion of the Two-Basin Partnership efforts to license the Potter Valley Project—Chair Pauli reported that we received a donation check for \$7,500 from the Russian River Property Owners Association. She has spoken to the group several times regarding the PVP process.
- b. Update on current Lake Pillsbury releases to the Eel & Russian rivers— No report.
- c. Sam Sandoval Study—No report.

Update on the IWPC Communication Program

- a. Website—Chair Pauli reported that they are working on the first of several 5 minute videos regarding the PVP that will soon be on YouTube.

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Feasibility Study on Coyote Dam

- a. Report on Lake Mendocino water levels and conditions at Coyote Valley Dam—No report.
- b. Discussion of Feasibility Study (FS)—Chair Pauli reported that IWPC has sent out a informational letter regarding the draft termination letter from the Corps to several of our legislature representatives. Carre Brown hand delivered the Corps letter to Congressman Huffman. She reported that his response to the possibility of the Feasibility Study being terminated was very negative. We have not yet received a signed final letter from the Corps.
- c. Discussion of grant funding for the FS—No report.
- d. Progress on Huffman’s Forecast Informed Reservoir Operations bill— We have not had much rain and yet Lake Mendocino is still at 741 feet which is only 7 feet down from full due to using the FIRO process. In years past at this same time, the lake levels were 20 feet down.

NMFS Listing of the Coho Salmon and Steelhead as Threatened

- a. Executive Committee and/or Public Policy Facilitating Committee Reports—The PPFC meeting was cancelled due to the Corona Virus threat.
- b. Biological Opinion Implementation Update—Commissioner Carre Brown reported that NMFS told her that they are starting to re-evaluate the BO and which agencies have been in compliance and those that haven’t.

Discussions and Reports of Additional Water Supply Sources and Storage Sites

No report.

State Water Resources Control Board Items

AB2121—No report.

D1610—No report.

Adjourned at 8:25

Candace Horsley
IWPC staff

IWPC Financial Accounts

April 2020

Savings Bank: IWPC account (Quarterly statements)	\$ 1,062	As of 4/4/20
Savings Bank: Corps account (Monthly statements)	\$ 521	As of 4/4/20
Mendocino County Auditor's Office	\$ 113,804	As of 2/2020*

*Included in total is \$26,000 to complete Sandoval study; \$2,280 left of PVP funds after March bills paid. (The recent \$25,000 billing has not been included in total as not all agencies have paid. PVID, RVCWD, RRFCD have paid).

MENDOCINO COUNTY INLAND WATER AND POWER COMMISSION

Billing Statement

March 2020

1. Staff Charges:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Hrs</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Amount</u>
3/12	Meeting	1.50	\$18.00	\$ 27.00
3/13	Accounting/donation ack.	2.00	\$18.00	\$ 36.00
3/30	Minutes	1.00	\$18.00	\$ 18.00
March	Website downloads (5x)	2.00	\$18.00	\$ 36.00
4/1	Insurance quotes	2.00	\$18.00	\$ 36.00
4/1	Web conferencing/Brown Act	4.00	\$18.00	\$ 72.00
4/5	Agenda packet	1.00	\$18.00	<u>\$ 18.00</u>
	Subtotal			\$243.00

2. Miscellaneous:

Downey Brand billing for February 2020	\$ 8,408.00
Thomas Johnson billing for March 2020	\$20,711.56
Jendi Coursey, March billing website analytics	<u>\$ 75.00</u>
Subtotal	\$29,194.56

TOTAL **\$29,437.56**