

Inland Water & Power Commission

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A G E N D A
Regular Meeting

Place: County UCCE Farm Advisor/Ag building meeting room
890 N. Bush Steet, Ukiah

Date: August 8, 2024 **Thursday**

Time: 6:00 pm—Hybrid meeting Zoom Link

Join Zoom Meeting at--<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81149972398>

Meeting ID: 811 4997 2398

Dial in by phone: 669 900-6833

Open Session

1. **Roll Call**

2. **Public Expression** - The Commission meeting will be held in person and by video/teleconference. The public may observe and comment in person or by Zoom. See end of agenda for additional information on public expression

3. **Closed Session:** (est. time 1 hour)

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

Property: PG&E Potter Valley Project

Agency Negotiators: Scott Shapiro, Janet Pauli

Negotiating Parties: IWPC and PG&E

Under Negotiation: Price and Terms

4. **Minutes**

- a. Approval/Correction of meeting minutes for July 11, 2024

5. **Consent Calendar**

- a. Approve expenses on billing statement for July 2024
b. Update on financial accounts

6. **Commissioner Reports** — Reports by Commissioners/Staff on meetings attended or actions taken by their agencies as well as informational items. Each Commissioner will be given an opportunity to speak on any activities of interest regarding drought response, groundwater updates, committee meetings etc. that are relevant to the IWPC members.

7. Potter Valley Project

- a. Status report and discussion on the Potter Valley Project
- b. Eel-Russian Project Authority JPA update
- c. Continued discussion of funding legal and consultant needs for ongoing PVP license surrender negotiations between MCIWPC and PG&E
- d. Discussion of objectives for marketing and public education program

8. U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Feasibility Study for Raising Coyote Dam

- a. Update on the Feasibility Study, Corps and funding

9. NMFS Listing of the Coho Salmon and Steelhead as Threatened

- a. Public Policy Facilitating Committee Reports
- b. Biological Opinion Implementation Update

10. 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.)

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MINUTES
Regular Meeting
June 11, 2024

Open Session

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 p.m. in the County Ag conference room by Chair Janet Pauli.

The following Commissioners were present:

Janet Pauli—Chair (Potter Valley Irrigation District)
Dave Koball—Alternate (Russian River Flood Control District)
Bree Klotter—Alternate Commissioner (Redwood Valley County Water District)
Glenn McGourty—Commissioner (County of Mendocino Water Agency)
Mari Rodin—Commissioner (City of Ukiah)

The following individuals were participants:

Present: Sean White, Phil Williams
Online: Jeanne Zolezzi, Carre Brown

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.

Minutes

Motion by Rodin, seconded by McGourty to approve the June 13 minutes was unanimously approved.

Consent Calendar

Motion by Rodin, seconded by McGourty, the consent calendar items for June 2024 were unanimously approved.

Commissioner Reports

- Klotter reported that when the RVCWD Board met last month, they didn't vote on the IWPC dues but plan on doing so this month. The RVCWD and RRFC are jointly exploring an annexation of the RVCWD service area into RRFC.
- McGourty reported that the GSA Rate and Fee study was completed, and staff is working to implement it, including coordinating with the County on the property tax portion. The study is being forwarded on to the County for adoption.
- Pauli relayed that the Jacobs consulting group will be putting on a town hall meeting during the week of August 12 to discuss their progress on potential surface water reservoirs and the groundwater storage study work in Potter Valley.

Potter Valley Project

- a. Status report and discussion on the Potter Valley Project—Pauli reported that there are continuing meetings with PG&E on the new Eel/Russian Facility (NERF). They are discussing how to take down Cape Horn Dam while at the same time, constructing the new pumping facility. Sonoma Water had secured a grant to build out the facilities engineering plan to a 60% design, but it will take until 2026 to reach that level. PG&E will submit their draft decommissioning plan to the public in January 2025 with the final license surrender plan being submitted to FERC by June 2025, which will include the ERPA proposal. FERC will take as long as they need to determine the final order. They will ask for public comment on the plan, then perform a NEPA analysis. This will take a minimum of 3 years. During this time, PG&E will not be performing additional studies or other work until they have FERC’s order to proceed. ERPA however, will need to continue working on the NERF design and other elements of their proposal. It still needs to be determined how much water is allowed to go through the diversion based on the modeling being done on various water years and on required fish flows.
- b. Eel-Russian Project Authority JPA update—No report.
- c. Continued discussion of funding ongoing PVP negotiations between MCIWPC, FERC and PG&E—The agencies are going to check with their accounting departments to make sure they received the invoice.

The Common Interest Agreements for each agency are being considered by their boards. The City of Ukiah will be considering the language at their next meeting.

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

- a. Pauli reported that the Corps has given IWPC a list of documents they want filled out or developed which Horsley is preparing for them.

NMFS Listing of the Coho Salmon and Steelhead as Threatened

- a. Executive Committee and/or Public Policy Facilitating Committee Reports—No report.
- b. Biological Opinion Implementation Update—No report.

Adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

Candace Horsley
IWPC Staff

IWPC Financial Accounts
August 2024

Savings Bank: IWPC account \$ 1,111 As of 8/2/2024*

*PayPal payments for July—
GSuite \$14.40
Zoom \$15.99
Total \$30.39

Mendocino County Auditor's Office \$192,777 As of Nov. end 2023

- After July 2024 bills are paid, we will have \$204,215 in the PVP account

Agency payments of \$60,000 from May 2024 billing:

PVID	Pd 5.2024	\$60,000
RRFC	Pd 5.2024	\$60,000
City of Ukiah	Pd 7.2024	\$60,000
RVCWD	Pd 7.2024	\$30,000

MENDOCINO COUNTY INLAND WATER AND POWER COMMISSION

Billing Statement

July 2024

1. Staff Charges:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Hrs @ \$18/hr</u>	<u>Amount</u>
7/11	Meetings & prep	4.50	\$ 81.00
7/12	Accounting & meeting follow-up	5.00	\$ 90.00
July	Website maint. & updates	6.00	\$108.00
July	Meetings , misc., Corps	10.00	\$180.00
July	Public communications/media	4.00	\$ 72.00
August 3	Agenda packet	6.00	<u>\$108.00</u>
	Subtotal		\$639.00

2. Miscellaneous:

Post office box annual dues	\$ 182.00
Downey Brand for June 2024	\$13,053.00
Tom Johnson for July 2024	\$ 7,626.60
Eric Nagy for June 2024	<u>\$ 1,750.00</u>
Subtotal	\$22,611.60

TOTAL **\$23,250.60**