Mendocino County

#### Inland Water & Power Commission

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# AGENDA Special Meeting

Place: County UCCE Farm Advisor/Ag building meeting room

890 N. Bush Steet, Ukiah

Date: December 17, 2024 TUESDAY

Time: 3:00 pm—Hybrid meeting Zoom Link

Join Zoom Meeting at — <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81311189055">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81311189055</a>

Meeting ID: 813 1118 9055 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. 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 November 25, 2024

#### 5. Consent Calendar

- a. Approve expenses on billing statement for November 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.** Update on budget needs for 2025 and continued discussion of funding legal and consultant needs for ongoing PVP license surrender negotiations between MCIWPC and PG&E
- **d.** Discussion of marketing and public education programs

# 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 agendized, 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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# draft MINUTES Special Meeting

November 25, 2024

## **Open Session**

The meeting was called to order at 5:01 p.m. in the County Ag conference room by Chair Janet Pauli.

The following Commissioners were present:

Janet Pauli—Chair (Potter Valley Irrigation District)

John Reardan—Commissioner (Russian River Flood Control District)

Tom Schoeneman—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: Phil Williams, Dave Koball, Eric Nagy, Scott Shapiro, Guinness McFadden, Bree

Klotter, Cliff Paulin, Sean White

Online: Jeannie Zolezzi, Madeline Cline, Beth Salomone

### **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 5:04 p.m.

The following Commissioners were present:

Janet Pauli—Chair (Potter Valley Irrigation District)

Tom Schoeneman—Commissioner (Redwood Valley County Water District)

John Reardan—Commissioner (RRFC)

Glenn McGourty—Commissioner (County of Mendocino Water Agency)

Mari Rodin—Commissioner (City of Ukiah)

The following individuals were participants:

Online: Jeannie Zolezzi, Beth Salomone

Present: Phil Williams, Dave Koball, Sean White, Bree Klotter, Scott Shapiro, Guinness McFadden, Cliff Paulin, Eric Nagy

The Commissioners came out of Closed Session at 7:40 p.m. No reportable action under the Brown Act was taken.

## **OPEN SESSION** 7:43 pm

#### **Minutes**

Motion by Reardan, seconded by McGourty, to approve the October 10, 2024 minutes was unanimously approved.

## **Consent Calendar**

Motion by Rodin, seconded by Schoeneman, the consent calendar items for October 2024 were unanimously approved.

## **Commissioner Reports**

• McGourty reported that GWSA is now collecting fees on the property tax bills. They are also negotiating with the City of Ukiah to provide administration services for the agency which should reduce costs.

## **Potter Valley Project**

a. <u>Status report and discussion on the Potter Valley Project</u>—Pauli reported that the negotiations with PG&E are ongoing and they have high hopes and indications from PG&E that the ERPA proposal will be included in the license surrender draft, to be released in January.

Lake Pillsbury filled to the crest of the dam within 24 hours with this latest storm. Incoming flows right now is at 4,949 cfs, two days after the storm.

The PVID meeting with presentation by Jacobs Group was well received with a lot of detail. They are going to add a voice over for the slide show that will come out as soon as possible.

- b. <u>Eel-Russian Project Authority JPA update</u>—No future meetings are scheduled until more progress with the PG&E negotiations is made.
- c. <u>Continued discussion of funding ongoing PVP negotiations between MCIWPC, FERC and PG&E</u>—Pauli relayed that IWPC will need to have a meeting on funding options for IWPC in the first part of the year. Williams will be putting together a presentation for the meeting to let the Commissioners know what authority they have to levy fees etc
- **d.** <u>Discussion of objectives for marketing and public education program</u>—A video that is being prepared should be out shortly.

#### U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Feasibility Study (FS) on Covote Valley Dam (CVD)

a. Nagy reported that there have been regular meetings with the Corps. The deadline for signing the Cost Share agreement was extended until the end of the year. The next meeting is mid-December to review and discuss the agreement which will be brought back to the Commissioners.

# NMFS Listing of the Coho Salmon and Steelhead as Threatened

- a. Executive Committee and/or Public Policy Facilitating Committee Reports—No report.
- b. <u>Biological Opinion Implementation Update</u>—The new BO will not be done until end of January 2025.

Adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Candace Horsley IWPC Staff

## **IWPC Financial Accounts**

December 2024

Savings Bank: IWPC account \$ 974 As of 12/5/2024\*

\*PayPal monthly payments —

GSuite \$14.40 Zoom <u>\$15.99</u> Total \$30.39

Mendocino County Auditor's Office \$171,302 As of June end 2024

After November 2024 bills are paid, we will have \$140,616 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
County	Pd 8.2024	\$60,000
RVCWD	Pd 7.2024	\$30,000

# MENDOCINO COUNTY INLAND WATER AND POWER COMMISSION

# **Billing Statement**

November 2024

# 1. Staff Charges:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Description</u>	Hrs @ \$18/hr	<u>Amount</u>
11/25	Meetings & prep	6.00	\$108.00
11/26	Accounting & meeting follow-up	5.00	\$ 90.00
Nov	Website maint. & updates	7.00	\$126.00
Nov	FS, misc.	5.00	\$ 90.00
Nov.	Public communications/media	6.00	\$108.00
Dec. 6	Agenda packet	6.00	<u>\$108.00</u>
	Subtotal		\$630.00

## 2. Miscellaneous:

Downey Brand for Oct. 2024	\$24,514.38
ERPA for Oct. 2024	\$ 182.00
Tom Johnson for November 2024	\$ 8,895.34
Eric Nagy for Oct. 2024	\$ 1,120.00
Coursey for Nov. 2024	<u>\$ 57.75</u>
Subtotal	\$34,769.47

TOTAL \$35,399.47