

A G E N D A
Regular Meeting

Date: October 8, 2020 Thursday

Time: 6:00 pm – Open Session...Zoom
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87109830543>

Meeting ID: 871 0983 0543

Dial in by phone only: 669 900 6833

6:05 – Closed Session

The Public may stay in the waiting room during this time if they choose

7:00 pm – Rejoin Open Session (time approximate)

Same information as above for 6:00 pm

The Commission meeting will be held via video/teleconference. The public may observe and comment by phone or by Zoom webinar. If the public wishes to provide comment before the meeting on any of the agendized items, please email mciwpc@mendoiwpc.com by 5:00 pm Thursday Oct. 8, 2020.

6:00 pm Open Session

6:05 pm 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

7:00 pm

1. Roll Call
2. Public Expression - See information above for information on public expression
3. Minutes
 - a. Approval/Correction of minutes of the meetings of September 10, 2020
4. Consent Calendar
 - a. Approve expenses on billing statements for September 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
 - 1. Discussion and possible approval of the Memorandum of Understanding for Cost Sharing for Integrated Licensing Process Consultant
 - 2. Review and discussion of the Second Amended Planning Agreement
 - 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 new Feasibility Study & possible funding
 - c. 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. 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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MINUTES
Regular Meeting
September 10, 2020

Open Session

The meeting was called to order at 6:04 p.m. via video conference by Chair Janet Pauli.

Closed Session

Pauli, Reardan, Froneberger, Schoeneman, Orozco, McFadden, Carre Brown, and Attorneys Aladjem and Dreher entered Closed Session at 6:08 p.m.

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

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The Commissioners came out of Closed Session at 7:08 p.m. No reportable action under the Brown Act was taken and the meeting was adjourned.

Open Session

The meeting was called to order at 7:11 p.m. via video conference by Chair Janet Pauli.

The following Commissioners were present on the call:

Janet Pauli—Chair (Potter Valley Irrigation District)

Carre Brown—Vice-Chair (County of Mendocino Water Agency)

John Reardan—Commissioner (Russian River Flood Control District)

Tom Schoeneman—Commissioner (Redwood Valley Water District)

Juan Orozco—Commissioner (City of Ukiah)

The following individuals were participants:

Matt Froneberger—Alternate RRFCD

Elizabeth Salomone—RRFCD General Manager

Devon Jones—MCFB Manager

Glenn McGourty—Public member

Sean White—City of Ukiah water staff

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.

Vice-Chair Brown reported that the BOS supported grant funding by the Department of Water Resource for a CA Land Stewardship Institute Coordinator position to support local watershed activities in the Russian River Watershed working with public agencies and landowners. She asked if IWPC would also support the grant by sending a letter. The Commissioners agreed that Chair Pauli should write a letter of support.

Minutes

On a motion by Commissioner Schoeneman, seconded by Reardan, the minutes of the meeting of August 13, 2020 were unanimously approved. Vice-Chair Brown abstained.

Consent Calendar

On a motion by Vice-Chair Brown, seconded by Reardan, the consent calendar items for August 2020 were unanimously approved.

Commissioner Reports

- a. Report from the Upper Russian River Stewardship Alliance regarding frost water use—No report.
- b. Eel/Russian River Commission meeting update—No report.
- c. North Coast Quagga/Zebra Mussel Prevention Consortium update—No report.
- d. Update regarding actions and discussion of the state water bond issues—No report.
- e. Report on the Upper Russian River Water Agency JPA—All of the JPA agencies approved the addition of the Ukiah Valley Sanitation District into the JPA.
- f. Report on Upper Russian River Water Manager’s meeting—Chair Pauli will get the date of the upcoming meeting to all of the Commissioners when it becomes available.
- g. Discussion of ground water rights & Sustainable Groundwater Mgmt Act (SGMA)—The Agency met today and gave directions to the consultant Larry Walker and Associates who emphasized that the Groundwater Sustainability Plan needs to be completed by a certain deadline. There is no meeting planned for October, but the public outreach meetings are scheduled to start at the end of September.
- h. City of Ukiah purple pipe recycled water program—White reported that the recycled water program has been well used, and the ponds are now getting low.
- i. 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—Pauli reported that the Partners are working with the Consultants looking at the Initial Study Report that is due to FERC by September 15. They have reviewed the studies and data

that had been collected by the previous PG&E consultants and are adding in new study suggestions to look at the impacts if Scott Dam was removed. Other studies being recommended will be on socio-economic impacts.

After that, there will be a stake holder meeting on September 29 where they will discuss the Initial Study Report. After that, there are a series of different deadlines that will need to be met as required by FERC. There will also be opportunities for stake holders to file comments and disagreements requesting amendments to the Study Plan which are due in November. In December they will be looking at the responses and on it goes until September 2021 when the reports will need to be submitted to FERC. A draft license application is due by November 2021 with the Final license application being due by April 2022. Notices will be forwarded to the Commissioners which are also on the FERC website.

On Friday Congressman Huffman will be in Ukiah for his Ad Hoc Committee meeting and the Partners will give them an update on their progress to this point. Currently, participation is by invitation only.

There is a group of people with water use and tax expertise that Pauli has asked to work on identifying who benefits from the PVP water flows in Mendocino County. This includes Sean White, Carre Brown, Beth Salomone, Laurel Marcus, Dave Redding, Sue Ranochak, and Devon Jones.

b. Update on current Lake Pillsbury releases to the Eel & Russian rivers—Pauli reported that drought variance is in place with flows being carefully monitored. The Target Storage Curve is being maintained and will easily be met the rest of the season. Jones is working with the farmers on voluntary water conservation to keep curtailments from occurring.

c. Sam Sandoval Study—No report.

Update on the IWPC Communication Program

a. Website—No report.

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)—No report.

c. Discussion of grant funding for the FS—No report.

d. Progress on Huffman's Forecast Informed Reservoir Operations bill—No report.

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.

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 8:00 pm.

Candace Horsley, IWPC staff

IWPC Financial Accounts
October 2020

Savings Bank: IWPC account (Quarterly statements)	\$ 1,472	As of 10/1/20
Savings Bank: Corps account (Monthly statements)	\$ 0	As of 10/1/20
Mendocino County Auditor's Office	\$200,449	As of 6/30/2020*

*After September bills are paid, there will be: \$26,000 to complete Sandoval study;
\$112,416 for the PVP.

NOTES

County, City, RRFCD & PVID have paid the \$50,000 billed for PVP in June/July.

MENDOCINO COUNTY INLAND WATER AND POWER COMMISSION

Billing Statement

September 2020

1. Staff Charges:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Hrs</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Amount</u>
9/10	Meeting	2.00	\$18.00	\$ 36.00
9/11	Accounting	3.00	\$18.00	\$ 54.00
9/25	Minutes	1.00	\$18.00	\$ 18.00
Sept.	Website downloads (5x)	2.00	\$18.00	\$ 36.00
Sept.	Misc	3.00	\$18.00	\$ 54.00
10/4	Agenda packet	1.50	\$18.00	<u>\$ 27.00</u>
	Subtotal			\$225.00

2. Miscellaneous:

Downey Brand billing for August 2020	\$20,539.51
Thomas Johnson billing for Sept. 2020	\$10,500.00
Jendi Coursey, website analytics	<u>\$ 75.00</u>
Subtotal	\$31,114.51

TOTAL

\$31,339.51