

March 4, 2011
Sacramento, California

The Board of Trustees of the American River Flood Control District met in special session in its office at 165 Commerce Circle, Suite D, Sacramento, CA at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, March 4, 2011. In attendance were Trustee Simon, Trustee Minnema, Trustee Moose, Trustee Pavão, and Trustee Holloway. Trustee Simon presided. Also present from the District were General Manager Tim Kerr, Relief General Manager Gary Prall, Superintendent Richard Marck, Field Supervisor Ron Sundberg, Administrative Assistant Karen Barrow, and District Legal Counsel David Aladjem. Miriam Green from Miriam Green Associates and Johan Otto from Otto Construction were present from the public.

Item No. 1 Public Comments on Non-Agenda Items: There were no comments on non-agenda items from members of the public.

Item No. 2 Review and Action: Sacramento River RM 60.1 Erosion Repair Project: GM Kerr introduced Miriam Green, a wildlife biologist and environmental consultant, who was hired to assist with biological permit issues. While reviewing District documentation, Mrs. Green noted that we could more accurately depict our routine program of maintenance in our CEQA Exemption. A revised Notice of Exemption was then presented to the Board for their review and approval. On a motion by Trustee Moose seconded by Trustee Minnema, the Board unanimously approved the revised Notice of Exemption to better express our original intent.

GM Kerr mentioned we have Davey Tree removing dangerous tree limbs at RM 60.1. District crews installed a new heavy-duty gate and 300 tons of aggregate base rock at the RM 60.1 staging area. Fencing was put around the Elderberry Bush and the entry rock was put on top of the soil to help keep the soil from migrating onto surface streets. GM Kerr mentioned Superintendent Marck is researching suppliers for lean clay soil fill. Lean clay compacts but does not shrink or swell excessively. Trustee Simon asked to see a photo of the staging area and one was presented by GM Kerr. He showed a picture of the '99 Marooka tracked dump truck and said it has a good motor, new tracks, and about 4,800 operating hours. However, it doesn't swivel, which means it would have to be backed down the ramp. He also mentioned the Marooka would be good for other jobs throughout the District.

GM Kerr mentioned using the erosion control mat, Pyramat, and mentioned our cost estimate would also include approximately \$1,000 for top soil and grass seed. Trustee Pavão asked about the tree conditions and GM Kerr said we will not be removing trees. Trustee Simon asked Mr. Otto, who is planning to develop the old power station, about the trees. Mr. Otto responded that he would love to keep the trees as they provide a visual enhancement to the area.

GM Kerr met with the resource agencies and they acknowledged active erosion at RM 60.1. It is possible that a Delta Smelt could be in the area. Per Mrs. Green, a biological assessment will be written but will indicate the work is not likely to impact the fish or habitat. Agency representatives said they wouldn't likely require mitigation if the work was conducted after July 1, 2011. GM Kerr indicated the repair work could take up to 8 weeks. To complete the work before the next flood season, work would have to start no later than August 1, 2011. GM Kerr stated there were two primary options to repair the site:

Option A: Commence construction now under an emergency declaration and assume mitigation for fish impacts will be required;

Option B: Acquire all necessary permits and then plan to start construction on July 1, 2011 but no later than August 1, 2011. This option assumes no mitigation will be required.

GM Kerr recommended that the Board choose Option B. On a motion by Trustee Moose seconded by Trustee Minnema, the Board unanimously approved Plan B and directed staff to continue pursuing the purchase of a tracked dump truck. They directed staff to frequently document the condition of the eroding levee.

Item No. 3 Questions and Comments by Trustees: There were no questions or comments by Trustees.

Item No. 4 Adjourn: There being no further business requiring action by the Board, the meeting was adjourned by Trustee Simon at 12:15 p.m.

Attest:

Secretary

President