



## Meeting Minutes

### Napa County Flood Control and Water Conservation District

Scott Sedgley, City of Napa (Vice-Chairperson)  
Brad Wagenknecht, District 1 (Chairperson)  
Irais Lopez-Ortega, City of Calistoga  
Diane Dillon, District 3  
John Dunbar, Town of Yountville  
Geoff Ellsworth, City of St. Helena  
Leon Garcia, City of American Canyon  
Ryan Gregory, District 2  
Beth Painter, City of Napa  
Alfredo Pedroza, District 4  
Belia Ramos, District 5

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**Tuesday, May 4, 2021**

**1:30 PM**

**Board of Supervisors Chambers  
1195 Third Street, Third Floor**

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1. CALL TO ORDER; ROLL CALL

**Chair Brad Wagenknecht**  
**Vice Chair Scott Sedgley (in attendance via teleconference)**  
**Director Irais Lopez-Ortega (in attendance via teleconference)**  
**Director Beth Painter (in attendance via teleconference)**  
**Director Leon Garcia (in attendance via teleconference)**  
**Director Geoff Ellsworth (in attendance via teleconference)**  
**Director Belia Ramos**  
**Director Alfredo Pedroza**  
**Director Ryan Gregory**  
**Director Diane Dillon**

**The meeting was called to order by Chair Brad Wagenknecht.**

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

**Chair Brad Wagenknecht led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.**

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

**None**

4. PRESENTATIONS AND COMMENDATIONS

**None**

5. CONSENT ITEMS

**None**

6. DISCUSSION OF ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR

**None**

7. PUBLIC COMMENT

**None**

8. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

- A. District Manager requests review and discussion of a presentation on highlighted projects from the Maintenance and Watershed Management Program in Fiscal Year 2020-2021. [21-126](#)

**Watershed and Flood Control Resources Specialist Mike Gordon made presentation.**

**Discussion held.**

- B. 1. District Manager requests staff provide a presentation on the annual water supply outlook for Napa County and its communities. [21-127](#)  
2. District Manager requests authorization for Chair of the Board to sign Dry Year Water Transfer Agreements upon approval by District Counsel.

**Engineering Manager Chris Silke made presentation.**

**Discussion held.**

**Motion Text: Approve requested action.**

**Voting Yes: Pedroza, Gregory, Dillon, Dunbar, Ellsworth, Garcia, Lopez-Ortega, Painter, Ramos, Sedgley and Wagenknecht**

**Recusals: None**

**Result: Passed**

9. SET MATTERS OR PUBLIC HEARINGS

A. PUBLIC HEARING 1:30 PM - 10 Minutes

[21-122](#)

District Manager requests the following actions related to the Rutherford Reach Benefit Zone Assessment District 2008-1:

1. Open Public Hearing to consider any objections or protests with respect to the proposed Fiscal Year 2021- 2022 assessments; and
2. Close Public Hearing and adopt a Resolution authorizing and levying assessments for Fiscal Year 2021- 2022 on qualifying properties.

**Opened public hearing.**

**District Manager Rick Thomasser made presentation.**

**No protests received.**

**Discussion held.**

**Closed public hearing.**

**Motion Text: Adoption of a resolution to levy assessments.**

**Voting Yes: Dillon, Gregory, Dunbar, Ellsworth, Garcia, Lopez-Ortega, Painter, Pedroza, Ramos, Sedgley and Wagenknecht**

**Recusals: None**

**Result: Passed**

**Enactment No: R-2021-04**

**B. PUBLIC HEARING 1:30 PM - 10 Minutes****21-123**

District Manager requests the following actions in connection with Joint Zone Project 96-1:

1. Conduct a Protest Hearing on the proposed Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Assessments;
2. Tally any written protests filed and not withdrawn by the end of the protest hearing by registered voters residing in, and owners of assessable property located within the three zones of the Joint Zone Project;
3. If the tallied protests are
  - a. Less than 25% in each Zone The Board may adopt the proposed resolution:
    - i. Finding that the submission of proposed assessment to a vote by qualified electors is not required;
    - ii. Approving and levying the annual assessments for Fiscal Year 2021-2022 and
    - iii. Authorizing and directing the filing of the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 assessment roll with the Napa County Auditor for posting to the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Napa County Property Tax Roll (Maintenance and Watershed Management Program Project No. 96-1).
  - b. 25% or greater in any of the Zones - The Board must either:
    - i. Abandon the assessment for that Zone; or
    - ii. Place the issue of the proposed assessments in that Zone before the voters in that Zone.

**Opened public hearing.**

**District Manager Rick Thomasser made presentation.**

**No testimony presented.**

**Closed public hearing.**

**Motion Text: Adoption of a resolution to levy assessments.**

**Voting Yes: Pedroza, Ellsworth, Dillon, Dunbar, Garcia, Gregory,  
Lopez-Ortega, Painter, Ramos, Sedgley and Wagenknecht**

**Recusals: None**

**Result: Passed**

**Enactment No: R-2021-05**

10. BOARD OF DIRECTORS REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Director Leon Garcia reported on attending the North Bay Watershed Association meeting, where they discussed the reservoir capacity.**

11. BOARD OF DIRECTORS FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

**None**

12. DISTRICT MANAGER'S/ENGINEER'S REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**District Manager Rick Thomasser reported on the \$48.3 million allocation making its way to the Corps in Sacramento. However, the Corps is not quite decided on what form of agreement is needed to allow them to spend the money. Mr. Thomasser also attended a meeting on Thursday with Congressman Mike Thompson, who discussed doing a simple Project Cooperation Agreement (PCA) amendment for the federal interest north of the Bypass and Riverside Drive. The Corps said the agreement was not standard and it may take longer, but the attorneys are debating in Washington, D.C. and the suggestion is that they would see this as a simple amendment.**

13. CLOSED SESSION

**None**

14. ADJOURNMENT

**ADJOURN TO THE NAPA COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT REGULAR MEETING, TUESDAY, JUNE 8, 2021 AT 1:30 P.M.**

Neha Hoskins (By e-signature)

NEHA HOSKINS, District Secretary