



# Meeting Minutes

## Napa County Flood Control and Water Conservation District

Brad Wagenknecht, District 1 (Vice-Chairperson)

Scott Sedgley, City of Napa (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, October 5, 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

**Motion Text:** Approve Consent Items.

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

**Recusals:** None

**Result:** Passed

- A. District Manager requests approval of and authorization for the Chairperson to sign the Operating Agreement for the maintenance and operation of the railroad bridges over the Napa River and the Bypass Channel, and a Certificate of Acceptance to accept and record a Quitclaim deed from the Napa Valley Wine Train at no cost.

[21-887](#)

**Enactment No:** A-8634 (FC)

- B. District Manager requests approval for the Chairperson to sign an Agreement with Somach, Simmons and Dunn for a maximum amount of \$41,310, for the term of October 5, 2021 through June 30, 2024 to provide legal services in support of a renewal of the existing Flood District Agreement A-38(FC) with the United States Bureau of Reclamation related to diversion and distribution of water from Lake Berryessa.

[21-946](#)

**Enactment No:** A-220160B (FC)

## 6. DISCUSSION OF ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR

None

## 7. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

## 8. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

- A. District Manager requests adoption of a resolution approving the filing of a grant application for the acquisition phase of the Napa River Estuary Enhancement and Public Access Project. [21-935](#)

**District Manager Richard Thomasser made presentation.**

**Discussion held.**

**Motion Text: Approve Requested action.**

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

**Recusals: None**

**Result: Passed**

**Enactment No: R-2021-07 (FC)**

## 9. SET MATTERS OR PUBLIC HEARINGS

**None**

## 10. BOARD OF DIRECTORS REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**None**

## 11. BOARD OF DIRECTORS FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

**None**

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

**Director Geoff Ellsworth requested information on the conversation with Solano County/Berryessa in terms of Lake Berryessa water resources.**

**District Manager Richard Thomasser reported on potentially restarting the Initial project as well as retaining counsel for additional assistance. There were questions asked about additional water for sale outside of the State Water Project (SWP).**

## 13. CLOSED SESSION

- A. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTYNEGOTIATOR [21-931](#)  
(Government Code Section 54956.8)

Property: APN Nos. 043-103-007-000, 043-103-020-000,  
043-103-021-000, 043-103-007-022-000

Negotiating Party: Richard Thomasser, Flood District Manager  
Under Negotiation: Price/Terms/Conditions of Payment

**No reportable action.**

14. ADJOURNMENT

**ADJOURN TO THE NAPA COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL AND WATER  
CONSERVATION DISTRICT REGULAR MEETING, TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2021  
AT 1:30 P.M.**

Neha Hoskins (By e-signature)

NEHA HOSKINS, District Secretary