

Sutter Butte Flood Control Agency

Board of Directors Regular Meeting Minutes, July 10, 2024, 1 p.m. City of Yuba City Council Chambers - 1201 Civic Center Blvd., Yuba City, CA

The Sutter Butte Flood Control Agency (Agency) Board of Directors (Board), State of California, met on the above date at 1 p.m. at the City of Yuba City Council Chambers - 1201 Civic Center Boulevard, Yuba City, CA.

These minutes do not represent a transcript of the meeting and are intended to be a summary of the most important points. For a complete record, please refer to the video recording of the meeting, which is posted on SBFCA's website: http://sutterbutteflood.org/board/meetings-agendas/

MEMBERS PRESENT

County of Sutter: Mat Conant

County of Butte: Tod Kimmelshue, Bill Connelly
City of Yuba City: Wade Kirchner, Michael Pasquale

City of Gridley: Bruce Johnson
City of Biggs: Bo Sheppard
City of Live Oak: Lakhvir Ghag

Levee District 9: Mike Morris, Chris Schmidl Levee District 1: Charlie Hoppin, Al Montna

MEMBERS ABSENT: Nicolas Micheli, Marc Boomgaarden

STAFF PRESENT: Michael Bessette, Executive Director; Chris Fritz, Director of Engineering, Agency Counsel; Andrea Clark; Seth Wurzel, Budget Manager, Sean Meyers, Budget Manager; and Terra Yaney, Board Clerk

MEETING/CALL TO ORDER

At 1:00 p.m., Director Tod Kimmelshue opened the meeting and led the group in the pledge of allegiance.

CONSENT CALENDAR

- 1. Approval of the Minutes for the June 12, 2024 Regular Board Meeting
- 2. <u>Approval of Plans and Specifications and Consideration of Award of the Feather Water District Meter Vault Rehabilitation Project Construction Contract (Contract No. 2024-01) to T & S Construction Company</u>
- 3. <u>Approval of the Agreement between Sutter Butte Flood Control Agency and Yuba County regarding grant funding</u> for the Star Bend Sediment Removal Project
- 4. Approval of Task Orders with R&F Engineering Inc., Cramer Fish Sciences, and ECORP Consulting Inc. for required work efforts related to management, engineering design, environmental, and permitting services for the Oroville Wildlife Area Robinson's Riffle Project
- 5. <u>Approval of Task Order 6 Amendment No. 1 with R&F Engineering, Inc. for required work efforts related to management and engineering services for the Oroville Wildlife Area Thermalito Recreation Improvements</u>
- 6. Adoption of Workplace Violence Prevention Plan

A motion to approve the Consent Calendar was made by Director Mike Morris and seconded by Bruce Johnson, Director Lakhvir Ghag abstained. The motion passed with no objection. The Consent Calendar was approved as follows:

- Mat Conant- yes
- Bill Connelly-yes
- Lakhvir Ghag abstain
- Charlie Hoppin yes

- Wade Kirchner- Yes
- Al Montna yes
- Mike Morris yes
 - Michael Pasquale yes

- Bruce Johnson

 yes
- Tod Kimmelshue yes

- Bo Sheppard yes
- Chris Schmidl yes

No public Comment

The entire discussion and presentation is available on the SBFCA website at: http://sutterbutterflood.org/board/meetings-agendas/

INFORMATIONAL AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL ITEMS

6. Presentation and File Monthly Financial Report

Budget Manager Sean Myers presented the monthly financial reports for May and answered questions regarding operating revenue of advanced funding. The entire report, along with a PowerPoint presentation is available on the SBFCA website at: http://sutterbutterflood.org/board/meetings-agendas/

8. Presentation and File Program/Project Update

Executive Director Michael Bessette gave a presentation outlining the recent and ongoing activities of the agency. He reported that the design team continues to coordinate with Levee District 1 for repairs to the Reach 7 relief wells and to document the cause of the wells to partially plug-up with sediment. The project is currently out to bid. We will open bids on July 25 and will award the contract next month. It is anticipated that the repair work will occur later this summer.

It was reported that SBFCA's design and environmental teams continue their work on the Tudor Flood Risk Reduction Project. The 90% design package has been submitted. The design team is addressing comments they have received on the 90% package and moving toward completing a 100% submittal package which is scheduled to be completed in the next week. Staff is working on advancing the permitting process, design and environmental meeting continue to be held weekly, or as needed. It is anticipated that the design and permitting effort will be concluded by the end of 2024 with construction scheduled to begin in 2025.

He went onto report that the project team continues to advance the design and permitting work for the Sutter Bypass East Levee repairs. The 30% design plans have been finalized and submitted to SBFCA, IPE/SAR, and our state partners for review. Staff is coordinating with DWR to pursue federal funding, through FEMA grants, for the construction of the 5.2-mile levee improvement project. Grant applications for BRIC and FMA were submitted to FEMA by CalOES in February, we anticipate hearing results later this summer. Coordination with Calpine is taking place and will result in strong federal advocacy support for the grant applications. In addition, both Sutter County and Yuba City sent support letters to Congressman LaMalfa on behalf of SBFCA's FEMA grant applications.

It was reported that staff continues to make progress on the OWA Robinson's Riffle planning grant. Work on the project continues. A meeting with CDFW to discuss the design project was held on June 24th and resulted in approval by CDFW staff to advance the project. SBFCA is working towards kicking off later this month.

Mr. Bessette reported that we are still waiting to hear on grant applications submitted to NOAA fisheries for Sediment Removal. We are expecting to hear results later this summer. He went onto report that staff also continues to coordinate with Yuba County to remove sediment at the Star Bend boat ramp on the east side of the Feather River. Yuba County recently put the Star Bend Boat Ramp Project out to bid with construction planned for July and August.

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PUBLIC COMMENT

None

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business coming before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 1:27 p.m.

ATTEST BY:

Terra Yaney, Board Clerk

Board Chair