

MEETING REPORT

DITCH COMMITTEE WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2008 2:15 p.m.

Directors: Ralph Retherford
Barbara Balen

Staff: Pete Kampa
Tom Scesa
Sharon Norris

Public: Bob Behee
John Buckley Central Sierra Environmental Resource Center
Sasha Farkas Farm Bureau
Dave Holden

Discussion of Developing Policies for Ditch Water Protection along the Entire Ditch System Including Randoms for Recommendation to the Board of Supervisor

Director Balen reviewed the "Smart from the Start" Proposition 50, dealing with developers for good water planning, submitted by the California Urban Water Conservation Council.

Barbara Balen reported that people do not understand the set-backs along the ditches and that the County does not have criteria for enforcing them.

Discussion followed and the recommendation of the Committee was to develop policy to enforce clear set-backs for the ditches and to develop a system for inter-acting with the county for enforcement.

Review Best Management Practices for the Ditch System Prepared by the Sierra Nevada Alliance

Pete Kampa reviewed the Best Management Practices for the Ditch System prepared by the Sierra Nevada Alliance.

Discuss the Tuolumne Ditch System Sustainability Project, Scope of Work and Stakeholders Group

Tom Scesa reviewed the progress of the Tuolumne Ditch System Sustainability Project and discussed exhibit A, Scope of Work.

Meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m.