

**Inland Water & Power Commission**

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**A G E N D A**  
**Regular Meeting**

**Date: December 13, 2018 Thursday**  
**Time: 6:00 p.m.**  
**Place: Conference Room 5**  
**City of Ukiah Civic Center Annex**  
**411 West Clay**  
**Ukiah, CA 95482**

(All items are considered action items unless otherwise noted)

1. Roll Call
2. Public Expression - See end of agenda for information on public expression
3. Minutes
  - a. Approval/Correction of minutes of the meetings of November 8, 2018
4. Consent Calendar
  - a. Approve expenses on billing statements for November 2018
  - b. Update on financial accounts
5. CLOSED SESSION: Conference with Real Property Negotiators (Gov't Code §54956.8)

Property: PG&E Potter Valley Project  
Agency Negotiators: Janet Pauli and David Aladjem  
Negotiating Parties: Commission and PG&E  
Under Negotiation: Price and Terms of Payment
6. Commissioner Reports — Reports by Commissioners on meetings attended or actions taken by their agencies as well as informational items, including:
  - a. Report from the Upper Russian River Stewardship Alliance regarding frost water use
  - b. Eel/Russian River Commission meeting update
  - c. North Coast Quagga/Zebra Mussel Prevention Consortium update
  - d. Update regarding actions and discussion of the state water bond issues
  - e. Report on Upper Russian River Water Agency JPA
  - f. Report on the Upper Russian River Water Manager's meeting
  - g. Discussion of ground water rights & Sustainable Groundwater Mgmt. Act (SGMA)
  - h. Update on the City of Ukiah recycled water purple pipe project
  - i. Discussion of SB88 in regard to measurement requirements for water diverters
  - j. Russian River Confluence project update
  - k. CalCannabis regulation update and related issues

7. Potter Valley Project
  - a. Status report on PG&E's relicensing of the Potter Valley Project
    1. Discussion of PVP sale and acquisition alternatives
  - b. Update on current Lake Pillsbury releases to the Eel & Russian rivers and related issues
  - c. Update on the Sandoval Study
8. Update on the IWPC Communication Program and Website
9. U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Feasibility Study on Coyote Dam – Update on Corps' activities and input from Participating Members
  - a. Report on Lake Mendocino water levels and conditions at Coyote Valley Dam
  - b. Update on Feasibility Study & meeting with the Corps of Engineers
    1. Discussion of August 27, 2018 FS letter from Corps and possible action
  - c. Discussion of researching grant funding for the Feasibility Study match
  - d. Progress on Congressman Huffman's 'Forecast Informed Reservoir Operation's bill
10. NMFS Listing of the Coho Salmon and Steelhead as Threatened
  - a. Executive Committee and/or Public Policy Facilitating Committee Reports
  - b. Biological Opinion Implementation Update
  - c. Discussion of NOAA's Habitat Blueprint Plan and designation of the Russian River as the first national Focus Area
11. Discussions and reports of additional water supply sources and storage sites
12. State Water Resources Control Board - Updates on various activities from the SWRCB
  - a. AB2121
  - b. D1610
13. Adjournment

#### PUBLIC EXPRESSION

The Commission welcomes participation in their meetings. Comments shall be limited so that everyone may be heard. This item is limited to matters under the jurisdiction of the Commission which are not on the posted agenda and items which have not already been considered by the Commission. The Commission limits testimony on matters not on the agenda to three (3) minutes per person. No action will be taken. Individuals wishing to address the Commission under Public Expression are welcome to do so throughout the meeting day. To best facilitate these items, please notify either the Chairman of the Commission or the Secretary of the Commission.

#### CLOSED SESSION

If agendized, the Commission may adjourn to a closed session to consider litigation, personnel matters, or real estate negotiations. Discussion of real estate negotiations may be held in closed session - Authority: Government Code Section 54956.8. Discussion of litigation or pending litigation may be held in closed session -- Authority: Government Code Section 54956.9. Discussion of personnel matters may be held in closed session -- Authority: Government Code Section 54957.

#### ADDITION TO THE AGENDA

(If any) in accordance with Section 54954.2 (b)(2) of the Government Code (Brown Act) Two-thirds Vote Required for Action Items. (Upon determination by a two-thirds vote of the legislative body, or, if less than two-thirds of the members are present, unanimous vote of those members present, that the need to take action arose after the Agenda was posted.)

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**MINUTES**

Regular Meeting

November 8, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers, located in the City of Ukiah Civic Center, Ukiah, CA by Chair Janet Pauli.

The following Commissioners were present:

Janet Pauli--Chair (Potter Valley Irrigation District)  
Carre Brown—Vice-Chair (Mendocino County Water Agency)  
Marvin Talso--Commissioner (Redwood Valley County Water District)  
Jim Brown--Commissioner (City of Ukiah)  
John Reardan—Commissioner (Russian River Flood Control District)

The following individuals were present:

John McCowen—Alternate Mendocino County  
Will Carson—Alternate RRFC  
Guinness McFadden—Alternate PVID  
Evan Pellervo—Bodington & Company  
Len Marino—Worley Parsons Group  
Kit Elliot—County counsel  
Carmel Angelo—County CEO  
Sean White—City of Ukiah  
Vivian Helliwell—Pacific Coast Federation of Fishermen's Association  
Andy Filona—Public  
Tony Kaniea--Fisherman

**Public Expression**

Chair Pauli explained that anything not currently on the agenda may be discussed at this time, however no action could be taken. She further advised that comments would be welcome throughout the meeting.

Vivian Helliwell spoke regarding the PVP relicensing and Huffman's committee groups. Looking at the IWPC website she was surprised to read about widespread impacts to the Eel River from commercial fishing. Part of what the Pacific Coast Federation of Fishermen's Association is working on is to restore the fisheries in the Eel River. They have very conservative fishing regulations to protect the fish populations. Chinook is at 2% of what it used to be, but the cause is due to a multitude of reasons. Pauli asked Helliwell for more up-to-date information from the PCFFA and we will add it to the website. The PCFFA pay, through their taxes, for restoration and analysis by the government to keep track of the fish.

Tony Kaniea spoke as a fisherman on how far he needs to go outside of this area to find salmon anymore. He goes to Oregon to find large quantities of salmon. The industry is heavily regulated at this point.

### **Minutes**

**On a motion by Talso, seconded by Reardan, the minutes of the meeting of October 11, 2018 were unanimously approved with Brown abstaining.**

### **Consent Calendar**

**On a motion by Brown, seconded by Talso, the consent calendar items for October 2018 were unanimously approved**

### **Closed Session...6:21 pm**

Conference with Real Property Negotiators (Gov't Code §54956.8)

Property: PG&E Potter Valley Project

Agency Negotiators: Janet Pauli and David Aladjem

Negotiating Parties: Commission and PG&E

Under Negotiation: Price and Terms of Payment

### **Open Session—7:52 pm**

The Commission met in closed session with the real property negotiators and they have given direction to the negotiators to move forward.

### **Commissioner Reports**

- a. Report from the Upper Russian River Stewardship Alliance regarding frost water use—No report.
- b. Eel/Russian River Commission meeting update—The next meeting will be on November 9 at 10 am in the Sonoma County Board of Supervisors Chambers.
- c. North Coast Quagga/Zebra Mussel Prevention Consortium update—No report.
- d. Update regarding actions and discussion of the state water bond issues—No report.
- e. Report on the Upper Russian River Water Agency JPA—No report.
- f. Report on Upper Russian River Water Manager's meeting—Carson reported that the JPA's progress has stalled out somewhat, so each agency is going to talk with their boards to see if they can get off the dime and move forward. The cost sharing agreement has been the stumbling block.

g. Discussion of ground water rights & Sustainable Groundwater Mgmt Act (SGMA)—Brown reported that the consultants have shared the plan on how to move forward. The next meeting s in January. Meetings with stakeholders are being held currently.

h. City of Ukiah purple pipe recycled water program—They are getting close to competing Phase 3 and are looking at acquiring funding for Phase 4.

i. Discussion of SB88 (measurement requirements for water diverters)—Funds are available for people that are putting in water meters.

j. Russian River Confluence project update—No report.

k. CalCannabis regulation and related issues—No report.

### **Potter Valley Project**

a. Status report on PG&E's relicensing of the PVP—Chair Pauli reported that the relicensing studies are still underway and site visits are being conducted. The next Fish Passage meeting is on Dec. 6.

b. Update on current Lake Pillsbury releases to the Eel & Russian rivers—No report.

c. Sam Sandoval Study—Sam is working with Jay Jaspers on getting the model to Sandoval.

### **Update on the IWPC Communication Program**

a. Website—No report.

### **U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Feasibility Study on Coyote Dam**

a. Report on Lake Mendocino water levels and conditions at Coyote Valley Dam—Lake levels are still looking good thanks to the variance that is in place once again this year. FIRO will go into place next year and hopefully the variance will not be needed.

b. Discussion of Feasibility Study (FS)—Chair Pauli discussed the August 27, 2018 letter from the Corps and reported that we have drafted a letter in response that is being reviewed by County Counsel.

c. Discussion of grant funding for the FS—No report.

d. Progress on Huffman's Forecast Informed Reservoir Operations bill—Discussed above.

### **NMFS Listing of the Coho Salmon and Steelhead as Threatened**

- a. Executive Committee and/or Public Policy Facilitating Committee Reports—No report.
- b. Biological Opinion Implementation Update—No report.
- c. Discussion of NOAA's Habitat Blueprint Plan and designation of the Russian River as the first National Focus Area—No report.

### **Discussions and Reports of Additional Water Supply Sources and Storage Sites**

No report.

### **State Water Resources Control Board Items**

AB2121—No report.

D1610—Chair Pauli reported that Sonoma Water is still working with the State Water Board to reduce flows.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:08 pm.

Candace Horsley  
IWPC staff

**IWPC Financial Accounts**  
December 2018

Savings Bank: IWPC account (Quarterly statements)	\$ 867	As of 12/10/18
Savings Bank: Corps account (Monthly statements)	\$ 697	As of 12/10/18
Mendocino County Auditor's Office	\$ 56,855	As of 10/2018*

\*Included in total is \$26,000 to complete Sandoval study

\*All agencies have paid the \$20,000 billed for attorney fees. 3 agencies payments not showing on total as yet.

## MENDOCINO COUNTY INLAND WATER AND POWER COMMISSION

### Billing Statement

November 2018

#### ***1. Staff Charges:***

<u>Date</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Hrs</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Amount</u>
11/8	Meeting	2.50	\$18.00	\$ 45.00
11/25	Billing	.75	\$18.00	\$ 13.50
12/8	Minutes	1.00	\$18.00	\$ 18.00
12/10	Agenda packet	1.00	\$18.00	\$ <u>18.00</u>
Subtotal				\$ 94.50

#### ***2. Miscellaneous:***

11/09 Downey Brand billing for October 2018	\$6,399.00
11/29 Supplies, ink and paper	<u>96.53</u>
Subtotal	\$6,495.53

<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$6,590.03</b>
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