

CARSON TRUCKEE WATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT
SPECIAL MEETING
July 28, 2015

DIRECTORS:

Todd Westergard (arrived late)
Ernie Schank
Karen Baggett
John Capurro
Ed James
Mike Nevin
John Enloe
Greg Dennis

ABSENT:

Gwyn Washburn
Chuck Roberts

GUESTS:

Leo Bergin, Attorney
Lori Williams, Engineer
Staff

1. CALL SPECIAL MEETING TO ORDER -

Vice-President Schank called the Special Meeting to order. Meeting was held at the Offices of McDonald*Carano*Wilson LLP with Director's Capurro and Westergard in attendance. All other Director's called in via conference call.

Director Capurro made a motion to approve the Agenda as presented, seconded by Director Dennis; motion carried.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT – None

3. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF THE TMWA DROUGHT 408 ENCROACHMENT PERMIT APPLICATION AND TECHNICAL REVIEW APPROACH – Lori Williams

There are 4 potential sites that might if conditions worsen in the river need to get into the River to put in temporary treatment measures. These could include; sandbags, gravel bags, K rails, to seal up the intakes and divert the water. It could also involve removal of sediment to clear the channel towards the intake. The 408 permit came about because TMWA has applied for a regulatory permit for this project in case it needs to be done. The regulator branch determined the work could not be done under the emergency type permit they have in place and needed to be done under a 404 permit. This was sent to the Sacramento branch of the USACE for a 408 permit approval. Documents were sent to the Directors pertaining to the permit as well as a Draft permit; these documents are available at District Offices. Dyer Consulting looked at the documents and did a technical review. Dyer's version is this is a temporary application of measures, with measures intending to be removed prior to a flow event and thus has no impact on the flow channel during a 14,000 CFS event. An Encroachment permit has been drafted modeled after the Virginia Street Bridge Permit which includes language that measures would need to be removed prior to a 6,000 CFS flow event.

Attorney Bergin stated that he had reviewed the permit. There are 4 possible locations: 1. Washoe Highland Diversion in Verdi, 2. Orr Ditch intake dump west of the West McCarran Bridge, 3. Chalk Bluff intake west of West McCarran Bridge and 4. The Glendale Plant intake located just upstream of the Glendale Bridge; which is the end of our jurisdiction.

Ms. Williams has sent all application information to the Sacramento flood control branch for their review, as well as a draft of the Encroachment Permit. She believes they are waiting for this Board to take action prior to their taking action. USACE has yet to decide or commit to Ms. Williams or TMWA what technical information TMWA has to provide. The District Engineers have taken the approach that since these are temporary applications and would be removed prior to a flow event and would not provide an impediment, therefore it would not be necessary to provide flow modeling of the treatments in the River. The model that is used by the District is for a 14,000 CFS event and the 4 areas involved have not been updated on the model we use. With that in mind Ms. Williams has been trying to discourage the Sacramento branch to require technical modeling. Sacramento branch of the USACE has yet to commit, so TMWA may be asked to provide additional technical information. USACE may also have additional modifications to the actual Permit. As part of the approval from this Board Ms. Williams asks how it should be handled as far as the permits language and/or changes to the technical requirements.

Ms. Williams proposes that the Board approve the 408 permit for the four (4) locations and let the USACE require any technical additions they require, but this Board is satisfied with the information we have. Ms. Williams further proposes that the Board have Director Westergard, Attorney Bergin and Superintendent Penrose review any changes USACE makes to the permit, assuming the USACE does not make substantial changes to the permit.

Director Dennis made a motion that the Board proceed with approving the proposal Ms. Williams presented to the Board for the 408 permit approval with the addition that the technical information provided is sufficient for this type of work. Motion was seconded by Director Capurro; Director Enloe abstained; motion carried.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT - NONE

5. BOARD COMMENTS and/or REQUEST FOR AGENDA ITEMS – NONE

6. ADJOURNMENT -

There being no further business, Vice-President Schank asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Director Nevin moved to adjourn, Director Baggett, seconded said motion, motion carried.

****The next regular meeting will be held Tuesday August 11, 2015 at 10:00 a.m.****

Todd Westergard,
President

Mary Pat Eymann,
Secretary/Treasurer