



# County of Yolo

## PARKS AND RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

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### PARKS, RECREATION AND WILDLIFE ADVISORY COMMITTEE Summary of Minutes

May 12, 2008

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**Members in Attendance:** Gerald Hartwig, Don Morrill, Mary Schiedt, Andrew Fulks, Kirk Alexander, Kent Lang, Josh Martinez.

**Members Absent:** Jennifer Henning, Robert Beggs

**County Staff in Attendance:** Warren Westrup, Scott Lines, Chris Alford, Laura Bibelheimer, Kimberly Bellows

**Others in Attendance:** Dave Pratt

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#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Hartwig called the meeting to order at 7:10 PM.

#### 2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

The agenda was adopted as proposed.

**Motion: Morrill. Second: Fulks. Ayes: ALL**

#### 3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

#### 4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

The minutes of *January 7, 2008* were adopted with minor corrections.

**Motion: Morrill. Second: Alexander. Ayes: ALL**

The minutes of *March 12, 2008* were adopted with minor corrections.

**Motion: Alexander. Second: Lang. Ayes: ALL**

#### 5. REGULAR AGENDA

5.1 Introduction of new committee member Josh Martinez representing Supervisorial District 1

Warren Westrup, Director of Parks and Resources Department, made the formal introduction of Mr. Martinez to the committee and public.

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Warren Westrup, Director of Parks and Resources Department, made the formal introduction of Mr. Lang to the committee and public.

5.3 Presentation of Oak Woodland easement proposal for Dry Creek watershed by Chris Alford, Assistant Park Planner.

Ms. Alford presented on behalf of Audubon California the County's findings for the proposed easement. She began her presentation by reminding the committee that the Yolo County Oak Woodland Management Plan has been adopted by the Board of Supervisors, which allows proposed properties eligible for grant funding from the Wildlife Conservation Board (WCB), so long as they meet the plan guidelines.

Audubon California proposes to restore 5.6 acres along Dry Creek by planting over 100 native plants. This project area will be surrounded by other properties that currently have conservation easements.

This project ranked High on the guideline checklist and county staff asked the committee for their comments and approval.

***Motion: Fulks. Second: Lang. Ayes: ALL***

## **6. STAFF UPDATE**

Scott Lines, Parks Division Manager, reported that the Proposition 12 site inspection with California State Parks went exceedingly well, and the county's reimbursement requests for this program as well as the WCB funded project as Putah Creek Fishing Access sites and Capay Open Space Park are approved.

Mr. Lines also mentioned that Earth Day activities at Putah Creek were well attended and that over 100 trees and shrubs and 1200 grasses were planted where two parking lots used to be.

He also mentioned that the county is in negotiations with the low bidder for an irrigation contract at Capay Open Space.

Chris Alford reported that the United States Air Force has granted approval for the transfer of the Davis Communications Site to the county at both the regional and federal level. Warren Westrup added that the Air Force will continue to be on the hook for groundwater contamination remediation, but that they should be paying \$750,000 for building removal on the site.

Laura Bibelheimer reported that the Board of Supervisors will be using a "stakeholder" approach for discussions of a future water agency.

## **7. COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORTS/ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA'S**

Chair Hartwig reported that he and Mr. Lines attended the Esparto Farmer's Market recognition ceremony and received thank you plaques on behalf of the PRWAC and Parks and Resources Department respectively.

## **8. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned by Chair Hartwig at 7:45 PM. The next regular meeting of the PRWAC was tentatively scheduled for June 9, 2008.

Respectfully submitted by,

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