

Sutter Butte Flood Control Agency

Board of Directors Regular Meeting Minutes, February 8, 2023, 1 p.m.

MODIFIED BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS IN LIGHT OF COVID-19

The Sutter Butte Flood Control Agency (Agency) Board of Directors (Board), State of California, met on the above date at 1 p.m. in Compliance with CA Executive Orders AB361 members of the Board of Directors and members of the public participated in this meeting by teleconference.

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, Nicolas Micheli

County of Butte: Tod Kimmelshue

City of Yuba City: Marc Boomgaarden, Wade Kirchner

City of Biggs: Bo Sheppard City of Live Oak: Lakhvir Ghag

Levee District 9: Mike Morris, Chris Schmidl
Levee District 1: Al Montna, Drew Stresser

MEMBERS ABSENT: Bill Connelly, Charlie Hoppin, Bruce Johnson

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

MEETING/CALL TO ORDER

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

1. Selection of 2023 SBFCA Chair and Vice Chair

Director Mike Morris nominated Director Mat Conant as the Chair of the 2023 SBFCA Board of Directors. Director Bo Sheppard nominated Director Tod Kimmelshue as Vice Chair.

A motion to approve the Board Chair nomination was made by Director Mike Morris and seconded by Director Al Montna. A motion to approve the Board Vice Chair nomination was made by Director Bo Sheppard and seconded by Director Al Montna. The motions passed with no objection. The motion was approved as follows:

- Marc Boomgaarden

 yes
- Mat Conant

 yes
- Lakhvir Ghag

 yes
- Tod Kimmelshue- yes
- Wade Kirchner- yes
- Nicolas Micheli yes

- Al Montna- yes
- Mike Morris yes
- Chris Schmidl yes
- Bo Sheppard yes
- Drew Stresser- yes

CONSENT CALENDAR

- 2. Approval of the Minutes for the December 14, 2022 Regular Board Meeting
- 3. Approval of the Minutes for the December 14, 2022 Special Board Meeting
- 4. Authorize the Executive Director to execute Contracts with previously approved consulting firms and to execute pending Task Orders associated with California Department of Water Resources for Feather River Regional Flood Management Planning
- 5. <u>Approval of Task Order 12 with ECORP Consulting Inc. for Permitting Support for the Sutter Bypass East Levee</u>
 Project
- 6. Approval of a Contact Amendment with Escheman Construction Company for the Second Street Vegetation Removal and Fence Installation Project Construction Contract (Contract No. 02-2022-ER) and associated Levee Easement Acquisition

A motion to approve the Consent Calendar was made by Director Lakhvir Ghag and seconded by Bo Sheppard. The motion passed with no objection. The Consent Calendar was approved as follows:

- Marc Boomgaarden

 yes
- Mat Conant

 yes
- Lakhvir Ghag- yes
- Tod Kimmelshue- yes
- Wade Kirchner- yes
- Nicolas Micheli yes

- Al Montna- yes
- Mike Morris yes
- Chris Schmidl yes
- Bo Sheppard yes
- Drew Stresser- 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

7. Presentation of Agency Audited Financial Statements and Related Reports for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2022

Budget Manager Seth Wurzel presented the Agency Audited Financial Statements and Related Reports for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2022. He reported that it was a clean audit with no significant findings. It was reported that the next step will be to submit the audit report to our insurance and bonding agency. The entire report, along with a PowerPoint presentation is available on the SBFCA website at: http://sutterbutterflood.org/board/meetings-agendas/

No public Comment

8. Presentation and File Monthly Financial Report

Budget Manager Seth Wurzel presented the monthly financial reports for December 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/

9. Presentation and File Program/Project Update

Executive Director Michael Bessette gave a presentation outlining the recent and ongoing activities of the agency. He reported on the 2023 look ahead highlights which include, 3 New Funding Agreements from DWR - \$4M Sutter Bypass East Levee project, \$1.1M OWA-RR Planning Grant, \$260k RFMP Round 4 Planning Grant. We are advancing the Oroville Wildlife Area Project (planning, boat ramp) and closing out the Feather River West Levee Project 1. He went onto report that staff continues to pursue additional funding opportunities in order to remove additional sediment from the confluence of the Feather and Yuba Rivers (Phase 2 work). SBFCA staff also

continues to coordinate with Yuba County staff to remove sediment at the Star Bend boat ramp on the east side of the Feather River.

Mr. Bessette went on to report that SBFCA's design and environmental teams continue their work on the Tudor Flood Risk Reduction Project. He reported that the design and environmental team recently completed and submitted the 65% level plans and specifications package for review. He went on to report that design and environmental team meetings will continue to be held monthly, or as needed, to advance the project. It is anticipated that the design and permitting effort will take approximately 2 years to complete with construction scheduled to begin in 2025.

It was reported that we are coordinating with San Joaquin Area Flood Control Agency (SJAFCA) to advance discussions regarding the potential purchase (by SJAFCA) of excess credits that SBFCA currently holds. Mr. Bessette reported that both SBFCA and SJAFCA are working closely with DWR in order to align all the non-federal partners and develop strategy to influence USACE to process the credit approvals in a timely manner.

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PUBLIC COMMENT

None

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business coming before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 1:38 p.m.

ATTEST BY

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Board Chair