

**MINUTES OF THE
NAPA COUNTY TECHNICAL ADVISORY PANEL
REGULAR MEETING**



Wednesday, January 25, 2012
5:30 p.m.

I. Call to Order; Roll Call.

The Napa County Technical Advisory Panel met during regular session on Wednesday, January 25, 2012 at 5:30 p.m. with the following members present: Vice-Chairperson Dennis Rinehart; Dennis Scherzinger; Chip Bouril; Tony Norris; Barbara Stafford; Chairperson Bob Zlomke; and Rolf Ohlemutz. Bill Bennett and Chris Craiker were excused.

II. Election of Officers.

The Panel elected Dennis Rinehart as Chairperson and Rolf Ohlemutz as Vice-Chairperson for the 2012 calendar year.

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III. Adoption of 2012 Meeting Calendar.

Calendar adopted as presented.

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IV. Public Comment.

Phill Blake, a previous TAP member, had his presence at the meeting acknowledged and he provided a brief update since he returned from a one-year work assignment in Afghanistan.

V. Approve Minutes of the November 16, 2011 Regular Meeting.

Minutes approved.

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VI. Update: Interpretive Signage for the Napa River/Napa Creek Flood Protection Project. **Jeremy Sarrow, Watershed and Flood Control Resources Specialist, presented five draft interpretive signs and referenced the two signs contained in the agenda packet. The general layout of the signs is to have a background with a map of the Napa River that stretches the Project reach on the right and the body of work/text on the left. The signs are at the 60% design level with many of the pictures being placeholders. The next step is to develop more detailed content. An eighth sign proposed north of the Lincoln Bridge is not quite ready for the draft phase due to the lack of information. Mr. Sarrow mentioned an upcoming meeting in two weeks between the three interpretive signage ad hoc subcommittee members, three City of Napa staff, and three District staff and added that anyone who is not on the ad hoc subcommittee is encouraged to email him comments that would be brought to this**

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meeting and then forwarded to the sign designers. The goal is to have the two signs in the agenda packet and the “habitat recovery” and possibly the “standing on the tule marsh” signs installed by Earth Day towards the end of April. The remaining signs would move to a 95% level and finalized as Project elements are built. Rick Thomasser, Watershed and Flood Control Operations Manager, added that due to the nature of the process, the number of people involved and the City of Napa’s key involvement, staff would like to adhere to the ad hoc approach in working through design details of the signs with the City and the designers. Mr. Thomasser reiterated Mr. Sarrow’s request for comments for possible incorporation. Comments submitted would be addressed when the final designs are brought back to the TAP. Mr. Sarrow added that copies of the signs not included in the agenda packet could be provided upon request. The item was open for discussion.

VII. Agenda Items for Future Meetings.

Member Stafford inquired if the City of Napa has a specific design plan for north of the Oxbow. Julie Lucido, Project Manager, stated the Army Corps’ work in the area is estimated at one year out, and the City is currently focusing on downtown development, but she would check with the City.

Other future agenda items mentioned:

- **Oxbow 35% design plans (contingent on funding received from the Army Corps)**
- **Construction updates and site visits (summer)**
- **Operations, Maintenance and Monitoring Manuals (for groundwater monitoring wells at Oil Company Road and possibly Contract 1A)**

VIII. General Comments from the Panel. (This is an opportunity for Panel members to informally discuss items and ask questions.)

Vice-Chairperson Ohlemutz and the Panel thanked Member Zlomke for his previous term as Chair.

IX. Confirm Next Meeting Date of February 29, 2012.

Meeting date confirmed.

X. Adjourn.

Adjourned to the next Regular Meeting of the Technical Advisory Panel on Wednesday, February 29, 2012, at 5:30 p.m. The meeting will be held at the Flood District Conference Room.

DENNIS RINEHART
Chairperson

ATTEST:

JULIE LUCIDO
Secretary

By: GREG MORGAN
Supervising Office Assistant

KEY

Vote: BB = Bill Bennett; CB = Chip Bouril; CC = Chris Craiker; TN = Tony Norris; RO = Rolf Ohlemutz;
DR = Dennis Rinehart; DS = Dennis Scherzinger; BS = Barbara Stafford; BZ = Bob Zlomke
Notations under Vote: N = No; X = Excused; A = Abstained