

**BDAC Meeting - February 15, 1996
Los Angeles Airport Hilton and Towers
Los Angeles, CA**

Notes for Mike Madigan and Sunne McPeak

1. Welcome and Introductions

- o Welcome BDAC members --**WELCOME NEW BDAC MEMBER** - Michael Stearns is replacing Jean Sagouspe. Michael is the General Manager at Hammond Ranch, a farming operation in Fresno and Merced Counties. He has been a member of the Reclamation Board since 1987 and was elected President in April 1994. He is also a member of the Panoche and Firebaugh Canal Water Districts and has been involved in many activities in San Joaquin County relating to water management.
Confidential - absences will be Glen Olson (we are in the process of finding a replacement for him, and Lee Lehman (excused absence).
- o David Cottingham with the Dept. Of Interior in Washington is sitting in for Roger Patterson as the Designated Federal Official - Roger is meeting with the new Reclamation Commissioner (see letter for your records).
- o Thanks to everyone who took time from their busy schedules to provide input on the Actions and Action Categories over the holidays. Sharon will give us an overview of that information during the Core Action Section.

Housekeeping items:

- o BDAC members have folders in front of them with materials for today's meeting -- there are no copies of overheads -- we apologize, but the draft alternative package prevented us from completing them on time -- can send them later if desired. For the general public, copies of this material are available at the registration table. Also as part of your package is the draft alternatives package just released today - this material is being sent to all workshop participants in preparation of the Feb. 26 workshop in Sacramento. For those of you in the audience who are not on the workshop mailing list or just can't wait a few days to get it in the mail, there are some copies available here.
- o Also on the registration table is a public input form for comments on this meeting.
- o Lunch will again be served to BDAC members (to hold them hostage). There are two restaurants here in the Hilton, one a coffee shop and the other is more formal but they have a buffet.

- o Reminders on meeting protocol: (we seem to get confused on the public comment issue!!)
 - o BDAC members will deliberate on an issue and then we will provide an opportunity for public input relevant to the discussion for that agenda item. However, in the interest of time, we may need to end the discussion at a certain point. We would still encourage anyone who has specific input for agenda items, and is not given sufficient time to express concerns, to provide comments in writing so that the BDAC may take them into consideration -- we really want your input!
 - o We have an official public comment period at the end of the session which will be a part of every meeting. The purpose of this agenda item is to provide the public an opportunity to comment on items of pertinence to the BDAC. We have limited the time for public comment to 3-5 minutes per speaker to ensure that all individuals who want to provide comments have an opportunity to speak. We will also accept written comments.

So when we ask if the public has comments at the end of each agenda item, it is to give you the opportunity to provide input on that agenda item!! General statements not pertaining to that agenda item should be held until the public comment section.

Mike and Sunne - We will have substantial public comment during this meeting -- several groups have expressed a desire to present alternatives to BDAC (Stakeholders and at least two others). We need to be sure that we allow enough time for both the general public and the organized groups to comment -- especially since we will not often be in Southern California.

- o Remind interested individuals to sign up for public comment by the end of the lunch break.
- o The next BDAC meeting is scheduled for March 21, back at the Beverly Garland in Sacramento. The April meeting is scheduled for April 25 and will also be held in Sacramento, most likely at the Convention Center.
- o Encourage BDAC members to provide comments in writing on issues that are of concern to them. We have been getting some comments from those BDAC members who have been attending the public workshops and meetings, but would like to encourage more!!! Important to document concerns!!
- o Say something about Feb. 14 informal educational session for those who were not present and for the audience.

SUNNE -

2. **Review of the CALFED Bay-Delta Program Process (approximately 1.5 hours total)**

a. **Overview** (about .5 hour)

Lester will give an brief overview of where we are and how we got here -- it may be more introductory depending on how many new faces we see in the audience.

b. **Financial Strategy Discussion** (about 1 hour)

Zach McReynolds will highlight activities related to the CALFED Bay-Delta Program Financial Strategy and provide an overview of the SB900. He will also summarize briefly the discussion with Senator Costa from Wednesday night.

3. **Current Program Activities (about 3 hours total)**

a. **Issues Related to Alternative Development** (.75 hour)

Lester will make a presentation outlining three areas that we feel are issues for Alternative Development. An issue paper was sent to BDAC members describing this issues. The objective of this session is to generate discussion about these issues and how they should fit into the draft Alternatives. We also hope that this discussion will help BDAC members better understand the actions and combinations of actions that make up the alternatives.

B. **Core Actions** (.75 hour)

Lester will begin with a presentation on the Core Actions and discuss the logic behind the concept. BDAC members have an up-to-date version in their mailout packets. Sharon will make a presentation outlining the results from the BDAC Response and will some insight into BDAC concerns and how they were addressed.

C. **Alternative Development** (1.5 hours)

Lester will give a brief overview of how the draft alternatives were developed. Three individual presentations will be made on each of the sample Alternatives (which are now draft alternatives). Steve Yaeger will present Example 1 - Alternative 2, Rick Soehren will present Example 2 - Alternative 6, and Sharon Gross will present Example 3 - Alternative 10. The objective of this agenda item is to get input from BDAC on whether these alternatives are displayed in a manner that will promote useful analysis when released for official public review. BDAC members will have a full set of the draft Alternatives in their Meeting packet and will be able to get a flavor for the full range of alternatives.

The informed groups who want to make presentations concerning alternatives will most likely do it here since it is pertinent to this agenda item. If the Stakeholders present their package, the other will probably follow. We will need to be conscious of time - allow a reasonable amount.

3. Upcoming Program Activities

a. Alternative Refinement Process

Lester will provide a brief overview of the process especially related to the Solution Principles. We will spend some time on equity to try to get an idea from BDAC members what equity means to them. Steve will provide an overview of the refinement process to get from the 20 draft alternatives to the 10 to 11 alternatives for the public report.

b. Public Outreach Activities and Future Scoping Activities

Mary Kelley (Lester will introduce Mary as our new CALFED Bay-Delta Program Public Affairs Officer) will give an overview of public outreach activities and future scoping activities.

6. Public Comment Period (about 45 minutes - need to begin around 3:15 pm - we'll check the list to see how many have signed up))

Sharon will provide Mike and Sunne with a list of publics who signed up to speak! Again, there will be several informed publics and many general publics who will most likely wish to comment.

Adjourn