

**Estancia Basin Water Planning Committee
Minutes – Regular Meeting
January 11, 2007**

Summary Table:

Business Item	Action

Call to Order: The Estancia Basin Water Planning Committee (EBWPC) regular meeting was called to order at 9:25 a.m. by Rik Thompson, Chairman.

Committee Members Present:

Rik Thompson
Gene Winn
Doug Sayre
Dan McGregor

Ryan Schwebach
Jim Rea
Brian Greene

Staff:

Jim Corbin, Corbin Consulting Inc., Technical Advisor
Melissa Kayser, Recorder

Guests Present:

Art Swenka, Chairman Estancia Basin Resource Association
Derek Saunders, Great Basin Water Development Company, LLC
Steve Mobley, Great Basin Water Development Company, LLC
Kodi Sawin, Great Basin Water Development Company, LLC
Cheri Lujan, District Manager, East Torrance SWCD
Dick Brown, ASCG
Wayne Sleep, USDA - NRCS

Approval of Agenda:

- Jim Rea moved to approve the agenda as presented. Ryan Schwebach seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Presentation by Great Basin Water Development Company, LLC:

- Derek Saunders, Great Basin Water Development Company, LLC gave a presentation on the development of the treatment of the brackish water in the Estancia Closed Basin. A copy of Mr. Saunders' presentation is attached.

Approval/Amend Minutes:

- Brian Greene moved to approve the minutes as amended. Chuck Ring seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Financial Report:

- The balance remains the same.

Correspondence:

- A letter of support for a feasibility study was sent to EMW Gas Association. Letters were sent to Jace Alderson and Alton Adams thanking them for their interest in serving on the EBWPC.

Chairman's Report:

- Rik, who represents Torrance County, attended the MRCOG Water Resource Board meeting on January 10, 2007. This board wants to look at collaboration between the EBWPC and the MRCOG Water Resource Board on their water plans.

- Rik has signed Jim Corbin's contract. Rik is waiting for a cover page to the contract signed by Dennis Wallin, who is the attorney for Torrance County. Rik is also waiting to get a report from Mr. Wallin concerning the Open Meetings Act.

Staff Report:

Unfinished Business:

Schedule for Legislative Session – Brian will talk to Phil Griego, Sue Wilson Beffort, Rhonda King and Kathy McCoy while he is at the legislature about funding for the EBWPC. John Jones will talk to Sue Wilson Beffort. Gene Winn is planning on visiting with legislators concerning the budget for EBWPC. Ryan Schwebach is planning on attending the session. Rik asked the County representatives that when they attend the legislative session to please talk to the legislators and explain they are a part of the EBWPC. If anyone is going to Santa Fe Brian Greene will be willing to teach everyone the ropes. He would appreciate it if everyone would contact him prior to going to Santa Fe so he will know they are coming. The Board discussed what they had spent the money on last year. Ryan Schwebach passed out an informational sheet to use when visiting with legislators about the funding request for the EBWPC.

Discussion of Review of Draft Estancia Basin Regional Water Plan Update -

Monitoring Station – Bernalillo County -

ACTION ITEMS:

Name of Person	Action Item	Completion Date
Bud Hagerman and Dee Tarr	Compose a list of funding that has come to the Estancia Basin since the Regional Water Plan was approved	
John Jones	Water Education Proposal to Santa Fe County for water education in the Southern Santa Fe County schools	
Doug Sayre	Getting the EBWPC on the Santa Fe County Commission Agenda	February, 2007 (maybe)
Committee	Talk with Legislators about funding. Legislators: Representatives Rhonda King, Kathy McCoy, Richard Vigil; State Senators Pete Campos, Sue Wilson Beffort	During 48th Legislative Session - Jan.-March, 2007
Committee	Suggestions for a work plan for Jim Corbin to finish the water plan update	March, 2007
EBWPC	Look at Draft Scope of Work for finalization of Regional Water Plan Update	
Ryan Schwebach	Contact Lucy Moore to facilitate the Public Meetings	Completed
Dan McGregor	Will check with Bernalillo County – a facilitator for the Public meetings	On hold at this time
Rik Thompson	Ask the Tarrant County Attorney concerning the EBWPC complying with the Open Meeting Act; Rik will ask the County Attorney to give us something in writing.	Will check on this after January, 2007 meeting
Doug Sayre	Donuts	02/15/07

Discussion of Review of Draft Estancia Basin Regional Water Plan Update:

- Rik Thompson explained to the EBWPC the update is in the same place it has been for the last few months until Jim Corbin's contract has been signed.

Monitoring Station – Bernalillo County:

- Dan McGregor, Bernalillo County reported their two sites should be operating by Spring, 2007. Jim Rea reported there should be more monitoring stations in the central and southern portion of the basin in the near future.

New Business:

- Rik Thompson asked the sub-committee if they would like to support, be neutral or against the process Great Basin Water Development Company, LLC is doing based on their presentation. The sub-committee decided they would like to

suggest support the concept as presented by the Great Basin Water Development Company, LLC.

Additional Reports:

- Jim Rea reported Cyle Sharp has been appointed to the NM Water Trust Board by Governor Richardson.

Meetings Attended:

Public Comment:

Next Meeting:

- The next meeting of the Estancia Basin Water Planning Committee will be held on Thursday, February 15, 2006 at 9:00 a.m. in the Torrance County Commission Room, Estancia, New Mexico.

Adjourn:

- There being no further business to come before the Committee, Dan McGregor moved to adjourn. Brian Greene seconded the motion. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 12:20 p.m.

Rik Thompson, Chairman

John L. Jones, Secretary