

## KITTITAS COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

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### STUDY SESSION MINUTES March 22, 2010

**THOSE PRESENT:**

Mark McClain, Paul Jewell, (BOCC), Kirk Holmes, Doug D'Hondt, Maria Fischer, (PW), Dan Valoff (CDS), Cathy Bambrick (PH), Brent Bottoms (Pros).

**GUESTS PRESENT:**

Randy Giles & Assistant (WSDOT), Urban Eberhart, Ken Hasbrouck, Jeff Slothower, Wayne Nelson, Chad Bala, Lindsey Ozbolt, Catherine Clerf

**URBAN EBERHART:**  
**YAKIMA RIVER BASIN**  
**WATER ENHANCEMENT**  
**PROJECT UPDATE**  
**(YRBWEP): (CDS ITEM)**

Urban Eberhart introduced himself as a member of the Board of Directors of the KRD (since 1986). Eberhart ran a power point presentation giving an overview of the YRBWEP, including some history of the basin and the increasing drought problem. He discussed the Integrated Water Management Plan for the Yakima Basin; the benefits of the plan and the scope of the study.

**Board Direction:**

**No direction.**

**WATER AVAILABILITY**  
**UPDATE: (EH ITEM)**

Cathy Bambrick stated that Public Health is implementing a metering program in the Upper County, and the Water Availability form has been changed to reflect that. She met with Joe Mentor, Suncadia's water attorney, last week re: water banking. Bottoms noted that he is not sure what role is expected of the County by private individuals: the enforcement of water rights is not the County's responsibility. Discussion followed on what proof the County will need that people have water rights. Bambrick noted that she will be meeting this Thursday with Joe Mentor to discuss the Suncadia Water Bank processes.

**Board Direction:**

**Cathy to report back at next Study Session.**

**WSDOT I-90 PROJECTS**  
**UPDATE: (PW ITEM)**

Randy Giles of WSDOT narrated a Power Point presentation on upcoming I-90 projects that will affect traffic flow for Kittitas County. He explained the various projects and phases, including the concrete replacements,

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Lake Keechelus project, rock work, wildlife bridge work, new snowshed, and bridge replacements. WSDOT will be holding open houses this year to discuss the current projects with the public. There will be significant traffic impacts. Giles suggested travelers check the WSDOT website for the best travel times for I-90.

**Board Direction:**

**No Direction**

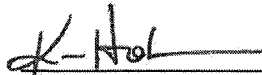
**GLADMAR PARK /  
ILA AMENDMENT w/CWU:**

Kirk explained he is touching base with the BOCC as he spoke with the Technical Advisory Committee on the Gladmar Park project. Due to flooding, things have changed at the site, and due to the economic conditions, funding has changed for CWU and for the County. The Commissioners questioned whether CWU had performed any of the required work at the site. Kirk noted that they had not. He stated that CWU is looking for flexibility under the current conditions. Both Commissioners stated their biggest concern was that the required clean up of the asphalt and the toilet structure have not been performed by CWU. Kirk will set up a meeting with the committee and let them know of the BOCC concerns.

**Board Direction:**

**Report back after meeting with the Committee.**

Meeting adjourned at 2:52 pm



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Kirk Holmes  
Public Works Director