DATE: January 12, 2004
TIME: 2:30

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Bruce Coe, Max Golladay and Perry Huston
THOSE PRESENT: David Taylor, Allison Kimball and Catherine Dunn
OTHERS PRESENT: Mark Charlton, Urban Eberhart, Jim Schnebly, Steve Rosbach, Kevin Eslinger and Mary Burke

TOPIC:
1. 2004 Legislation
2. Watershed Planning
3. Sub-Basin Planning
4. BOCC Questions, Concerns and Issues

DISCUSSION:
1. A number of bills coming out of the legislature and proposed were discussed including one clarifying critical areas (H3649), a draft bill on Agricultural lands and practices; the subdivision of agricultural land; The WA ST Rural and Family Lands Preservation Act; water in subdivisions and several issue papers from WSAC on agriculture.
2. Mark Charlton and members of the Farm Bureau and Irrigator's Assoc. discussed watershed planning with the Board. Among the topics discussed were relinquishment, in-stream flows and opting-out versus not adopting. They also discussed strategies for adoption of proposed bills by the legislature. The White Paper on Water Right Relinquishment was discussed.
3. The discussion was centered on the Scope of work proposed by WA ST Fish and Wildlife for sub-basin planning.
4. The White Explorer used by Perry Huston needs to have the windshield washers fixed. The Board asked about the staffing level decision made by David Taylor. He said that he had decided on Permit Technician and that it was ready to post.

ACTION:
1. Taylor was directed to keep on working on the bills.

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2. White Paper on Water Right Relinquishment was approved.
3. Perry Huston will meet with David Taylor to work out a scope of work to return to the WA ST Dept. of Fish and Wildlife.
4. White Explorer will be fixed. Permit Technical position will be posted.