

Conference call

February 25, 1991

MINUTES

Commission members present:

Lorna Stickel  
Cliff Bentz  
Jim Howland  
Mike Jewett  
Roger Bachman

Staff members present:

Bill Young  
Bev Hayes  
John Borden  
Becky Kreag  
Jan Shaw  
Kent Searles

Commission members absent:

Hadley Akins

Others:

Audrey Simmons

Any staff reports presented at this meeting, which contain the director's recommendations mentioned in these minutes, are on file in the Office of the Director of the Water Resources Department, 3850 Portland Road, NE, Salem, Oregon. Written information submitted at this meeting is hereby made a part of this record and is on file at the above address.

Budget: The Director reviewed the progress of the agency budget before the Ways & Means subcommittee. Those hearings were held from February 13 through 20.

Legislature: Bev Hayes reviewed the activity in the Legislature during the past week.

Hayes reported that the House Water Policy Committee had conducted discussions on the "Salmon Summit" and on the Columbia River Compact Commission.

On Thursday, the committee heard HB 2189 (expanding the Groundwater Advisory Committee). That bill will be subsequently referred to Ways & Means.

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Hayes reported that the Senate Water Policy Committee on Tuesday heard two bills, SB 325, which requires builders to file water availability forms, and SB 326, which requires WRD to review comprehensive plans. Both bills received a great deal of testimony.

On Thursday, the Senate Committee took up two other bills, SB 328 (Governor's Watershed Enhancement Board) and SB 327, which requires metering and water plans to be submitted by municipalities and special districts.

Cliff Bentz asked the department to track SB 330 because of its potential impact on water.

This week would be the busiest on the Senate side, Hayes said, with consideration of two bills, one on plumbing fixtures and one on water-use reporting. SB 204, which permits the use of effluent without a water right, will also be heard.

On the House side, Hayes reported that the committee would visit the Department where the staff would conduct a demonstration of its computer technology and capabilities.

On Thursday, the House committee was to conduct a hearing on a bill which allows a preference for humans and livestock to use water in scenic waterways, introduced by Rep. Chuck Norris.

Roger Bachman had a question about LC 3535. Hayes said that this bill has not been introduced yet.

Respectfully submitted,



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