

Minutes of
Community Development Services
Study Session

November 10, 2003

Those Present: Bruce Coe, Perry Huston and Max Golladay

Also Present: David Taylor

Vacant Position – Contingency Plan

David Taylor reported to the Board the Contingency Plan he had in place. With the vacant position, there were two planners left. He outlined the worst case scenario, what would happen, how to deal with it and the Level of Service impacts. He said that 2 interns would be hired with wind power company funds and mentioned that there was an option with Trendwest to get someone. He also mentioned contract positions as an option. The Board discussed several different scenarios.

Takings Conference

Taylor asked the Board if they wished him to attend a Government Takings conference in Seattle, December 4 & 5. They didn't think it necessary.

Watershed Planning

Taylor presented draft legislation on watershed planning. The Board directed him to bring it forward at the public hearing on November 18, 2003.

PLF Agreement – Lawsuit

Taylor said that the contract needs work and there was no consensus among the Board.

Urban Wildland Interface

Taylor gave Yakima County as an example. He compared the existing wildlands versus Fire resistant wildland. There was a discussion of space and buffer requirements, and how to get the people out of the Upper County in case of an emergency. He was directed to find examples.

Recovery Outline Comments

He presented the Board with his comment letter to WA ST Fish and Wildlife on Salmon Recovery Plans.

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