

**TEHAMA COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION  
MINUTES OF THE  
SPECIAL MEETING NOVEMBER 29, 2007  
GENERAL PLAN STUDY SESSION**

The Tehama County Planning Commission met in a special session at 9:00 am. On Thursday, November 29, 2007 at the Courthouse Annex, Conference Room E, 444 Oak Street, Red Bluff, California, with the following members present: Commissioners Kim Tipton, Linda Walker, Don Jones and Delbert David. Commissioner Tony Turri was absent.

Vice-Chairperson Linda Walker presided. Present were Director of Planning George Robson, and Recording Secretary Sandy Thomas.

**CITIZEN'S CONCERNS:**

Vice-Chairperson Walker called for public comments. None were received.

Vice-Chairperson Walker opened the Special Meeting of the Tehama County Planning Commission.

George Robson proposed to move "Oak Woodlands" 7.0-3 to Open Space & Conservation as previously agreed upon.

Vice-Chairperson Walker confirmed "Soil Resources" 6.0-7 had been agreed upon to move to Agricultural & Timber.

**6.3-11 Water and Water Quality**

Gary Antone requested to make it easier to find the water information.

***Response: It was decided to change the chapter title to "Open Space, Conservation and Water".***

**WORK/STUDY SESSION:**

**Chapter 7.0 Agricultural and Timber Element – Starting on Page 7.0-1**

**7.2 Overview – Farm Acreage (Page 7.0-1)**

Discussion followed regarding the verbage of this Policy.

***Response: It was decided to rewrite as follows:***

***"Total acreage in farms steadily increased between the 1880's and the mid 1970's. During that time, total acreage peaked at nearly 1.3 million acres. From 1970 to the late 1980's, total acreage exhibited a slight decline. Between 1987 and 2002, it was reported by the National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) that total acreage had dropped from 1,104,584 acres to 862,440 acres."***

**Table 7.1 Policy LU-5.3 (Page 7.0-4)**

George Robson noted "Policy LU-5.4" should read "Policy LU-5.3"

***Response: Scott Friend stated that typo would be corrected.***

**Implementation Measure AG-1.1c (Page 7.0-6)**

Discussion regarding the availability of the “Right to Farm” Ordinance.

***Response: Mr. Robson indicated the correct name for the Ordinance should be “Agricultural Uses Disclosure” Ordinance. Mr. Friend agreed to correct the verbage.***

**Implementation Measure AG-1.2a (Page 7.0-6)**

Discussion regarding verbage of the implementation measure regarding “life estate retirement home site”.

***Response: Committee decided to remove “retirement”.***

**Implementation Measure AG-1.2c (Page 7.0-7)**

Commissioner Walker noted the terms U-A or E-A should read UA or EA.

***Response: Scott Friend stated that typo would be corrected.***

**Implementation Measure AG-1.2c 1) Soil (Page 7.0-7)**

Discussion was held regarding the verbage of this Implementation Measure.

***Response: Scott Friend stated the verbage would be adjusted.***

**Implementation Measure AG-1.2d (Page 7.0-7)**

Discussion followed regarding the use of verbage “Right to Farm” Ordinance.

***Response: Mr. Robson indicated the correct name for the Ordinance should be “Agricultural Uses Disclosure” Ordinance. Mr. Friend agreed to correct the verbage.***

**Implementation Measure AG-1.2e (Page 7.0-7)**

Discussion was held regarding the verbage of this Implementation Measure.

***Response: Scott Friend stated the verbage would be adjusted.***

**Implementation Measure AG-1.3b (Page 7.0-8)**

Discussion regarding verbage of Implementation Measure.

***Response: Committee agreed to change Grazing Land or Cropland to Valley Ag or Upland Ag.***

**Implementation Measure AG-2.1a (Page 7.0-9)**

Mr Robson noted Tehama Local Development Corporation has changed their name to Tehama Economic Development Corporation.

***Response: Committee agreed to change name.***

**Policy AG-2.2 (Page 7.0-9)**

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***Response: Committee agreed to change name.***

**Implementation Measure AG-2.2a (Page 7.0-9)**

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**Response: Committee agreed to change name.**

**Implementation Measure AG-2.3c (Page 7.0-9)**

Discussion regarding verbage of Implementation Measure.

**Response: It was decided to rewrite as follows:**

***“When Safety permits, the County when reviewing discretionary permits, shall require the retention of old hollow trees and those actively being used for nesting, roosting, and feeding.”***

**Implementation Measure AG-2.3d (Page 7.0-9)**

Discussion regarding verbage of Implementation Measure.

**Response: It was decided to rewrite as follows:**

***“Where low fire risk and aesthetics allow, the County when reviewing discretionary permits shall require piling of limbs and brush to provide wildlife cover.”***

**Implementation Measure AG-2.3e (Page 7.0-9)**

Discussion regarding verbage of Implementation Measure regarding department names.

**Response: Committee agreed to change (CDF) to (CalFire) and to add California Department of Fish & Game (CDF&G).**

**Implementation Measure AG-2.4a (Page 7.0-10)**

Discussion regarding verbage of Implementation Measure.

**Response: Committee agreed to change wording of second notation to:**

***“Locate houses to preserve wildlife corridors and habitats.”***

**Policy AG-3.2 (Page 7.0-11)**

Discussion was held regarding addition of Implementation Measure AG-3.2c to explore feasibility of Oak Woodlands Ordinance.

**Response: Committee agreed to the addition with the notation that Arthur Wylene would work up the language for the Implementation Measure.**

**Consensus reached in all above responses for change in Policies and Implementations.**

Mr. Robson stated the Commission would start to review for District 4 maps following a brief field trip to review the area when they convene on December 6, 2007.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:20 a.m.

Next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, December 6, 2007, at 9:00 a.m. in the Courthouse Annex Room E, 444 Oak Street, Red Bluff, CA 96080.

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