

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS

Regular Meeting (Public Hearing) Continuation of March 14, 2007 Meeting **Lincoln County Courthouse, Davenport**

March 15, 2007
(Thursday)

Lincoln County Board Chairman Dennis Bly opened the Lincoln County Commissioner meeting at 10:30 a.m. Present were: Dennis D. Bly, Chairman, Deral D. Boleneus, Vice-Chairman, and Ted Hopkins, Member. Lincoln County Commissioner Deral Boleneus read the Lincoln County Notice of Public Hearing Affidavit and moved to dispense with the reading of the Watershed Management Plan. Lincoln County Commissioner Ted Hopkins seconded. Motion carried.

Chairman Hartwig reconvened the Adams County March 14, 2007, meeting at 10:30 a.m. on Thursday, March 15, 2007, in the Lincoln County Courthouse Commissioner Chambers, Davenport, Washington, for the purpose of conducting a joint public hearing with Lincoln County and Grant County and for taking action on the proposed Watershed Management Plan for the Upper Crab/Wilson Creek Watershed (WRIA 43). Present were: Roger L. Hartwig, Chairman and Jeffrey W. Stevens, Vice-Chairman. Commissioner Rudy Plager was absent.

Grant County Chairman LeRoy Allison reconvened the Grant County March 14, 2007, meeting at 10:30 a.m. Present were LeRoy Allison, Chairman, Commissioner Richard Stevens and Commissioner Cindy Carter.

Lincoln County Board Chairman Dennis Bly chaired the public hearing since Lincoln County is serving as lead agency for the Watershed Management Plan.

Eugene N. J. St. Godard, principal hydrogeologist and preparer of the Plan spoke on the Plan and the processes that have already occurred.

Chairman Bly opened the floor for public comment.

Grant D. Pfeifer, Department of Ecology Regional Director for the Eastern Regional Office, commended the counties for the work and urged approval of the Plan.

Lincoln County Commissioner Ted Hopkins spoke in support of the Plan and then presented a written Memorandum of Support for WRIA 43 Watershed Plan. The intent of the memo was to urge “the Department of Ecology to move forward in a cooperative manner with the WRIA 43 Planning Unit to identify and potentially construct water storage alternatives to assist in the mitigation of the Odessa Sub-basin, specifically within the ESSHB 2860 framework.”

St. Godard noted that the Plan is a ‘living document’ and it was written with the intent that it would be changed and updated as work proceeds.

Chairman Bly closed the public hearing at 10:40 a.m.

Commissioner Hopkins moved, Commissioner Boleneus seconded, to *approve the Watershed Management Plan for the Upper Crab/Wilson Creek Watershed (WRIA 43) (Adams County Resolution No. R-29-07, Grant County Resolution No. 07-030-CC, and Lincoln County Resolution No. 07-05).*

Chairman Bly called for discussion. Commissioner Allison requested introductions of those members of the Watershed Planning Unit that were present. Introductions were made.

A local citizen of the area was present but did not speak.

Vote was taken and the **motion carried unanimously.**

Adjournment @ 10:47 a.m.

Submitted:
s/Linda Reimer, MMC
Clerk of the Board

Edited and Approved:

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
ADAMS COUNTY, WASHINGTON

s/Roger L. Hartwig, Chairman
s/Jeffrey W. Stevens, Vice-Chairman
-ABSENT-
Rudy Plager, Commissioner

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF
ADAMS COUNTY, WASHINGTON
AND
GRANT COUNTY, WASHINGTON
AND
LINCOLN COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

IN THE MATTER OF ADOPTING THE)	ADAMS COUNTY
WATERSHED MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR)	RESOLUTION NO. R-29-07
THE UPPER CRAB/WILSON CREEK)	GRANT COUNTY
WATERSHED (WRIA 43))	RESOLUTION NO. 07-030-CC
		LINCOLN COUNTY
		RESOLUTION NO. 07-15

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of Section 36.32.120(6) of the Revised Code of Washington (RCW), the Boards of County Commissioners of Adams County, Grant County and Lincoln County have the care of County property and the management of County funds and business; and,

WHEREAS, in 1998, the Washington State Legislature established the Washington State Watershed Planning Act (WPA), codified in Chapter 90.82 RCW, to address water quantity, quality and habitat issues for individual surface water basins in the state; the WPA allows people that live, work and recreate within a watershed to collaborate on how they want water within their watershed to be managed for the future; and,

WHEREAS, watershed planning in the Upper Crab/Wilson Creek water resource inventory area (WRIA) No. 43 was started by a group of Initiating Agencies including Adams County, Grant County, and Lincoln County, who formed one Planning Unit that voluntarily led the watershed planning effort; and,

WHEREAS, said Planning Unit has completed and approved by consensus of governments and majority of non-governmental agencies the "WRIA 43 Upper Crab/Wilson Creek Watershed Plan" (as amended on December 19, 2006); and,

WHEREAS, as part of the process for approval of the "WRIA 43 Upper Crab/Wilson Creek Watershed Plan" (as amended on December 19, 2006), RCW 90.82.130(2) (a) requires that the legislative authority of each of the counties with territory in the WRIA shall provide public notice of and conduct at least one public hearing on the proposed watershed plan, and, following the public hearings, shall convene in joint session to consider and vote to adopt the proposal; and,

WHEREAS, following public notice, public hearings for the proposed "WRIA 43 Upper Crab/Wilson Creek Watershed Plan" (as amended on December 19, 2006) were conducted in Adams County on February 20, 2007, in Grant County on February 27, 2007, and in Lincoln County on February 20, 2007; and,

WHEREAS the legislative authorities of Adams County, Grant County, and Lincoln County convened in joint session at 10:30 AM on March 15, 2007, in the Commissioners Chambers of the Lincoln County Courthouse, 450 Logan Street, Davenport, Washington, to consider and vote to adopt the proposed "WRIA 43 Upper Crab/Wilson Creek Watershed Plan" (as amended on December 19, 2006)

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by a majority of the Board of County Commissioners of Adams County and a majority of the Board of County Commissioners of Grant County and a majority of the Board of County Commissioners of Lincoln County to hereby adopt the "WRIA 43 Upper Crab/Wilson Creek Watershed Plan" (as amended on December 19, 2006).

PASSED and ADOPTED this 15th day of March, 2007.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
ADAMS COUNTY, WASHINGTON
s/Roger L. Hartwig, Chairman
s/Jeffrey W. Stevens, Vice-Chairman
-ABSENT-
Rudy Plager, Commissioner

ATTEST:
Linda Reimer, MMC
Clerk of the Board

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
GRANT COUNTY, WASHINGTON
s/LeRoy Allison, Chair
s/Richard Stevens
s/Cindy Carter

ATTEST:
Barbara J. Vasquez
Clerk of the Board

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
LINCOLN COUNTY, WASHINGTON
s/Chairman – Dennis D. Bly
s/Vice Chairman – Deral D. Boleneus
s/Member – Ted Hopkins

ATTEST:
s/Dale Vaughn
Deputy Clerk of the Board