



Solano County

Board of Supervisors

Minute Order

March 26, 2013

File Reference No. 13-0250

RE: Adopt a resolution urging the State Resources Agency and the U.S. Department of Interior to expand the range of alternatives and extent and depth of analysis of these alternatives (including the Portfolio Alternative) in future drafts of the Bay Delta Conservation Plan and associated environmental documents

Supervisor Thomson noted that the State and Federal government had begun to release sections of the draft Bay Delta Conservation Plan (BDCP) for review and that there was an opportunity to have an alternative to the BDCP that would begin to address some of the concerns of the Bay Delta Counties.

Bill Emlen, Director of the Department of Resource Management, noted that they were requesting that the BDCP be broadened to include a more comprehensive review of other alternatives that may cause less harm to Solano County and the Delta region including the Portfolio Alternative which would have a smaller intake, more emphasis on development south of Delta storage options, commitment to other local water supply solutions, increased levee investments, and less conversion of agricultural land to habitat.

At the conclusion of discussion, the Board took the following action:

On motion of Supervisor Thomson, seconded by Supervisor Spring, the Board adopted and authorized Chair Seifert to sign Resolution No. 2013-34 urging the State Resources Agency and the U.S. Department of Interior to expand the range of alternatives and extent and depth of analysis of these alternatives in future drafts of the Bay Delta Conservation Plan and associated environmental documents, including the Portfolio-Based Conceptual Alternative which has been developed by a coalition of environmental groups and water districts. Directed staff to draft a letter for the Chair's signature to transmit this resolution to appropriate State/Federal agencies and legislative members. So ordered by 5-0 vote. (see Resolution Book)

Enactment No: Resolution 13-34