

Minutes

Corbett Water District
Special Water Board Meeting

August 30, 1993

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Board Chairman Henry Schwartz. All Board members, Doug Dodd, Edith Mastne, Jim Mastne, and Joe Riehl were present. Also present were Supt. Vance Hubbard, Ass't Supt. Randy Stark, Dist. Clerk Carol Quinn, and four visitors Brent Younker, Kathy Hubbard, Peter Grant and Regna Merritt.

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss and review a letter to Senator Ron Wyden requesting closure of the public land within the watershed to logging.

Mr. Hubbard advised the Board that main concern of the District was closure of the watershed to motorized vehicles to prevent dumping of garbage and hazardous materials. This goal has been accomplished and he believes that the priority of the District is to pursue completion of the MOU with the Forest Service. Longview Fibre, Frank Lumber Co., BLM, and the Forest Service all have land within the watershed. In a telephone conversation with Vince Brand of Frank Lumber Company this day, Mr. Brand expressed concern with the letter and said that he would not negotiate for the easement across their land for the South Fork line if the Board sent the letter.

Although the letter pertains to public land, Mr. Riehl expressed that he understood Mr. Brand's concern since the letter pertains to the logging industry and the letter could be taken as a threat to the industry which is their industry.

There was considerable discussion and Ms. Merritt presented the view of the Oregon Natural Resources Council. She urged the Board to send the letter which she would deliver to Sen. Wyden when she met with him in a couple of days.

Mr. Riehl moved that the Board shelve the letter for now and pursue our business with Frank Lumber Co. to obtain an easement to the South Fork for our pipeline. Mr. Dodd seconded. Passed.

Mr. Mastne moved that the Board redraft and review the letter to Sen. Wyden to emphasize the need for enhanced protection of the watershed before the hearing in October pertaining to President Clintons Forest Plan. Doug Dodd seconded. Passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.