

**UPPER OCONEE BASIN WATER AUTHORITY  
JOINT ENGINEERING/OPERATIONS COMMITTEE  
NEGRC HEADQUARTERS  
E.H. CULPEPPER CONFERENCE ROOM  
DECEMBER 14, 2016  
10:00 A.M.**

**MINUTES**

**Members Present:**

Joey Leslie, Engineering Committee Chairman  
Wayne Haynie, Operations Committee Chairman  
Mark Saxon  
Mike Renshaw  
Eric Klerk

**Others Present:**

Jim Dove, NEGRC Executive Director  
Mott Beck, NEGRC Executive Assistant  
Chip Ferguson, Atkinson Ferguson  
Bob Snipes, Owner's Representative  
Brad Lanning, Jacobs  
Diana Jackson, Jacobs  
Chris Adams, Jacobs

**CALL TO ORDER AND APPROVAL OF NOVEMBER 30<sup>TH</sup> MEETING MINUTES**

Engineering Committee Chairman Joey Leslie called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. He asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the November 30<sup>th</sup> meeting. **Such a motion was made by Mr. Wayne Haynie and seconded by Mr. Mike Renshaw. The motion passed unanimously.**

**UPDATE TO THE WATER SUPPLY MODEL**

The Joint Committee met to continue the bi-weekly monitoring for the drought conditions and to consider appropriate response recommendations. The following items were considered and discussed:

- A. The Georgia drought monitor indicates that the drought has lessened somewhat on a statewide basis; however, most of our area is still designated as D4 (Exceptional Drought)
- B. The current adjusted streamflow probabilities are now 10% minimum and 20% maximum. This compares to 5% minimum and 15% maximum on 11/30/16.

- C. The average daily usage from the reservoir has continued to decrease to 6.870 MGD for the week ending 12/9/16 compared to 7.528 MGD for the week ending 12/2/16.
- D. Withdrawal from the river into the reservoir averaged 49.251 MGD for the week ending 12/9/16.
- E. The reservoir level increased by 1.054 ft. during the week ending 12/2/16 and by an additional 2.229 ft. during the week ending 12/9/16.
- D. The reservoir level is currently at 692.00 (on 12/13/16) or 87.1% full. Further, the water supply model predicts that the reservoir will refill to 100% by mid-January with the current water use volumes and streamflow probabilities. The reservoir appears to have reached its minimum level in late November.
- G. There is a high probability of rainfall later this week (Saturday and Sunday).
- H. The lagoon discharge pipe modification has been approved by EPD. Jacobs' staff anticipates having completed the lagoon discharge pipe modification before the end of December.

Based upon the above information, the Joint Committee concluded that a) no additional drought response actions are necessary at this time, and b) the Joint Committee will discontinue the bi-weekly meeting schedule given the improved reservoir condition and the model projected trend.

### **UTILITY SERVICES CONTRACT UPDATE**

Owner's Representative Bob Snipes advised that he had spoken with Chairman Melvin Davis and Chairman Elect Pat Graham to bring them up-to-date on actions of the Joint Committee pertaining to the Utility Services Contract, and they were in agreement with the progress thus far. Mr. Lanning advised that he had met with representatives of Jacobs, and that he did not foresee any obstacles with ideas proposed by the Committee. Efforts regarding the contract will continue.

### **OTHER BUSINESS**

In other business, a general discussion relative to sale of water among member counties was held. This matter will be considered further as appropriate and as additional information is gathered.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, **a motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Haynie and seconded by Mr. Renshaw. The motion passed unanimously.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Martha "Mott" Beck  
UOBWA Secretary