

**NORTH COAST RAILROAD AUTHORITY (NCRA)  
OPERATOR COMMITTEE MEETING**

Wednesday, March 12, 2008 – 10:00 a.m.  
Healdsburg City Council Chambers  
401 Grove Street

**Minutes**

**Approved April 18, 2008**

**A. CALL TO ORDER**

*Chairman Hemphill called the meeting to order at 10:15 a.m.*

**B. ROLL CALL**

*Directors Present: Simonson, Colfax, Chairman Hemphill, Kelley arrives at 10: 20 a.m.*

*Directors Absent: None*

*Also Present: Executive Director Mitch Stogner, Legal Counsel Christopher Neary,  
Recording Secretary Heather Lindsteadt*

**C. AGENDA APPROVAL**

*Agenda stood as presented*

**D. MATTERS FROM THE COMMITTEE**

*No matters*

**E. CONDUCT OF BUSINESS**

**1. Approval of Operator Committee Minutes – January 31, 2008**

*Upon Motion by Director Simonson, seconded by Director Colfax the January 31, 2008  
Operator Committee Minutes were approved (3-0).*

**E. PUBLIC COMMENT**

*No public comment*

*The Committee convened into closed session at 10:18 a.m.*

**F. CLOSED SESSION**

**1. Conference with Legal Counsel—Existing Litigation**

One Case; Government Code Section 54956.9 (a)  
City of Novato vs. North Coast Railroad Authority  
Superior Court of California, County of Marin # 074645

**G. ANNOUNCEMENT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION**

*The Committee reconvened the open session of the Operator Committee Meeting at 10:56 a.m.*

*Legal Counsel Neary reported that the Committee met regarding one matter of pending litigation, City of Novato vs. NCRA, received information and gave direction. Legal Counsel reported that the Committee took unanimous action directing Legal Counsel to seek indemnity from the City of Novato for a claim that was filed by Cooper Crane/Ghilotti Brothers for delay of work in the amount of \$400,000.*

**H. ADJOURNMENT**

*The Operator Committee immediately adjourned to the Regular NCRA Board Meeting at 11:06 a.m.*