

RUSSIAN RIVER WATERSHED ASSOCIATION TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP SESSION

May 13, 2008, 8:30 AM – 10:00 AM Windsor Town Council Chambers 9291 Redwood Road, Windsor, CA 95492

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Meeting Summary (prepared by RRWA staff Christy Kennedy and Phoebe Grow)

1. Greetings and Introductions

Attendees:

Christy Kennedy, RRWA Cristina Goulart, Winzler & Kelly/Cotati

Eydie Tacata; Rohnert Park Lisa Steinman, SCWMA Bruce Taylor, Santa Rosa Susan Keach; SCWA Kevin Booker; SCWA

Jennifer Burke; Santa Rosa

Connie Cloak; C2 (with SCWMA) Janice Gilligan, So.Co PRMD Reg Cullen, So.Co PRMD Chelsea Holup, So.Co PRMD

Phoebe Grow; RRWA

2. North Coast IRWMP Update

The North Coast IRWMP's Prop 50, Round 2 grant proposal was, once again, the top-ranked proposal received statewide. The North Coast IRWMP received a score of 72 (out of 80). The State's draft funding recommendation is to award the North Coast \$0-\$2 million for the projects within our application. The North Coast IRWMP's Chair and Vice Chair have directed staff to prepare a letter by the State's May 15th deadline for comment. The letter will request the full funding amount of \$5,532,733, given our #1 ranking, and will include a strong request for nothing less than \$2 million. Jake is planning to attend the June 3rd SWRCB meeting in Sacramento where the final funding decision will be made, and will read the letter into the record at that time.

3. RRWA Programs Update

Stormwater Low Impact Development (LID) Packet

RRWA staff noted progress on LID packet and upcoming workshop. The group then discussed other member agencies LID or stormwater projects including the County PRMD parking lot which will have some demonstration LID areas. Demonstration projects include grassy swales, bioretention, in ground vaults and a rain barrel cistern. The County'design was completed by Alex Rosas and is slated for construction in summer 2009. The County requested RRWA staff to find information on green roofs.

In July RRWA will coordinate a meeting for Phase 2 agencies with RWQCB to discuss permit renewal. The Sediment Work Plan developed by RWQCB was discussed by RRWA staff. More sediment related BMPs may be part of stormwater permit renewals.

Pharmaceuticals Coordination

Susan Keach discussed Pharmaceuticals coordination. Susan will work with RRWA staff to distribute a starter kit with sample letters to mail to potential participating pharmacies. Santa Rosa and SCWA will share all information developed with agencies looking to start programs, and SCWMA can provide a utility flyer. Santa Rosa noted that to date, 620 lbs had been collected, and pharmacies were the most active collection sites.

Collection System Updates

Spill Response Meeting. RRWA Staff reported back on the Spill Response meeting held at SCWA on April 23rd. RRWA is drafting a certification form for 2-hr notification for the agencies per feedback from this meeting. Additionally, Jim Tyler (Sonoma County Env. Health) offered to review SSMP Overflow Response Procedures for member agencies to confirm they conform with County standards.

Computerized Maintenance Mangement System (CMMS) Comparision. A TM is being developed and the CMMS workshop will be scheduled for mid-June. Member agencies and eligible entities will be invited.

Mercury

RRWA staff showed the draft newspaper ad for CFLs disposal and received feedback from the group. A final will be developed and shown at the next working group meeting. The RRWA mercury website is also being overhauled. Sonoma County (Region 2) is implementing an amalgam ordinance and RRWA will circle back with Dental association to get participation on ordinance review and outreach.

Other

Other stormwater topics were discussed.

4. Outreach Strategies Update

Environmental Column

The May environmental column was written by SCWA on the topic of where your water comes from. Volunteers were solicited for the upcoming June column. SCWA will prepare a column on climate change. The July column will be developed by SCWMA on recycling motor oil. A September topic on stormwater will be developed by the County.

SWRCB Non-Point Source Conference Report

Conference agenda included topics on Watershed Management Tools, LID, IRWMP and Hydromodification. RRWA staff did not attend the conference, but obtained updates from RMC staff attendees. Persephene St. Charles (RMC) attended a workshop on Hydromodification and reported that the three highlighted methods of hydromodification control were Low Impact Development, Flow Duration Control, and Stream Modification.

5. Future Meetings and Agenda Items: The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 10, 2008. The location will be the Windsor Town Council Chambers.

6. Items of Interest:

• May 28th Water Smart Expo: Held from 5-9pm in Santa Rosa at the courthouse square

- ACWA Update Jennifer Burke noted several assembly bills: AB 2175 regarding urban conservation, and AB 2153 regarding new development offsetting water demand (tied into CEQA process) that she is tracking and will provide updates on.
- **7. Public Comment:** No public comment.
- **8. Adjourn:** Meeting adjourned at 10:05 a.m.