



RUSSIAN RIVER WATERSHED ASSOCIATION  
MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
February 24, 2011, 9:00 AM  
Windsor Town Council Chambers  
9291 Old Redwood Highway, Windsor, CA 95492

## **A G E N D A**

### **A. Call to Order and Introductions**

### **B. Approval of the Agenda**

### **C. Approval of Standing Items**

- Minutes: December 2, 2010 Board of Directors Meeting

### **D. Guest Speaker Presentation**

***Water Recycling Update: Effect of Statewide Issues on Recycling Projects in the Russian River Watershed***

**Dave W. Smith, Ph.D. - Managing Director, WaterReuse California**

### **E. BOD Business**

- IRWMP Update
  - MOMU – plan for RRWA adoption
- 2010-2011 Work Plan Project Updates
  - Video Contest update
  - Russian River Friendly Landscaping Principles Proclamation – consider adoption
  - Stormwater Training – Schedule of Events
  - Phase II Stormwater Permit update
  - Safe Medicines Disposal update
- Recent and on-going RRWA advocacy items
  - Update from January 27 RWQCB meeting
  - Update from February 10 meeting with RWQCB EO and staff
  - Next meeting with RWQCB EO and staff – May 2011
- 2011-2012 Work Plan - consider for adoption
- Board Meeting in upper watershed in 2011
- Next Board Meeting: April 28, 2011 – Student Video Contest awards

### **F. Working Group Activities**

- Next meeting: March 8, 2011

### **G. Items of Interest**

### **H. Public Comment**

### **I. Adjourn**

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**MINUTES**  
**RUSSIAN RIVER WATERSHED ASSOCIATION**

Minutes for the regular meeting of the Russian River Watershed Association (RRWA) Board of Directors.

Date: Thursday, February 24, 2011  
Time: 9:00 a.m.  
Location: Windsor Town Council Chambers

**Directors and Alternates Present.** Directors present:

<b>Jake Mackenzie, Chair</b>	<b>City of Rohnert Park</b>
<b>Robin Goble, Vice Chair</b>	<b>Town of Windsor</b>
<b>Richard Burt</b>	<b>Town of Windsor</b>
<b>Nina Regor</b>	<b>City of Cloverdale</b>
<b>Mike Kirn</b>	<b>City of Healdsburg</b>
<b>Marsha VasDupre</b>	<b>City of Santa Rosa</b>
<b>Mark Landman</b>	<b>City of Cotati</b>
<b>Chris Anderson</b>	<b>County of Sonoma</b>
<b>Mari Rodin</b>	<b>City of Ukiah</b>

Directors present represented 8 out of the 9 RRWA member agencies, constituting a quorum.

**Additional Attendees.**

<b>Virginia Porter</b>	<b>RRWA Executive Director</b>
<b>Phoebe Grow</b>	<b>RRWA</b>
<b>Damien O’Bid</b>	<b>City of Cotati</b>
<b>Glen Wright</b>	<b>City of Santa Rosa</b>
<b>Ann DuBay</b>	<b>SCWA</b>
<b>Andy Rodgers</b>	<b>RRWA</b>
<b>Brenda Adelman</b>	<b>RRWPC</b>

**Board Actions.**

A. Call to Order and Introductions. (Jake Mackenzie, Chair). Mr. Mackenzie called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m. and everyone introduced themselves.

B. Approval of the Agenda. Mr. Mackenzie requested that the Board approve the agenda. The agenda was approved.

C. Approval of Standing Items. The minutes from the December 2, 2010 Board of Directors meeting were reviewed and approved as submitted.

D. Guest Speaker Presentation – Dave W. Smith – Water Recycling Update: Effect of Statewide Issues on Recycling Projects in the Russian River Watershed  
Dr. Smith presented a Water Recycling Update to the Board focused on the effects of statewide issues on the Russian River Watershed. The state has a goal of using 2 million acre feet recycled water in 2030 yet today only 650 thousand acre feet are developed for use. Dr. Smith’s talk primarily covered the conclusions of the panel of experts that was convened by the State Water Resources Control Board in the context of the Recycled Water Policy to evaluate the effect of constituents of emerging concern (CECs). The panel made conclusions relative to two end uses of the recycled water – landscape irrigation and potable reuse. Since the Russian River

watershed currently has no potable reuse, the conclusions related to landscape irrigation have the most meaning to our agencies. The panel was rigorous in their review, and concluded that the current treatment plant systems and monitoring for turbidity, coliform, and chlorine address any known concerns about CECs when the recycled water is used for landscape irrigation.

E. Board of Directors Business.

- IRWMP Update – Mr. Mackenzie provided the update
  - RRWA will consider signing the North Coast Integrated Regional Water Management Plan (NCIRWMP) MOMU at our April 28 meeting. Member agencies can consider adoption at any time.
  - Each County represented in the NCIRWMP has designated Policy Review Panel and Technical Peer Review Committee members. Efren Carrillo is the new Sonoma County representative and Dan Hamburg is the new Mendocino County representative.
  - The California Energy Commission executed a grant for about \$1M with Humboldt County to implement projects to reduce energy use and improve efficiency. This will support over 50 projects in small disadvantaged communities throughout the North Coast.
  - Proposition 1E stormwater and flood control project applications are due April 15.
  - Proposition 84 round 1 application was submitted in January, requesting over \$8M for 19 priority projects in the North Coast; we expect to hear about funding in the spring.
  - Virginia Porter (RRWA Executive Director) noted that she and Jennifer Burke (City of Santa Rosa) met with NCIRWMP staff to discuss the rating of the RRWA project. They will review the rating information and work toward making our project more competitive.
- 2010-2011 Work Plan Projects Update
  - Video Contest update – Phoebe Grow (RRWA staff) provided the update. “Pet Waste” is the topic this year, and winning videos and awards are scheduled for our April 28 Board meeting.
  - Russian River Friendly Landscaping Principles Proclamation - The Board considered adopting the Proclamation and decided to wait until April 28 for RRWA to consider this for adoption, allowing member agencies to take this to their governing bodies if they prefer to adopt prior to RRWA.
  - Stormwater Training - RRWA sponsored a well-attended overview of the Construction General Permit on February 23 with two staff from the State Water Resources Control Board presenting. We now have two Qualified SWPPP [Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan] Developer (QSD) and Qualified SWPPP Practitioner (QSP) trainings schedule: Santa Rosa April 11-13, with QSP training April 11, 12 and QSD training April 11-13; and Ukiah August 9-11, with QSP training August 9, 10 and QSD training August 9-11. Our web site has links for registration. Certification testing is through the State Water Resources Control Board and is filling up fast. RRWA will continue to work with the RWQCB to have testing in our region. RRWA is also working toward one of the QSP/QSD prerequisite trainings in our watershed this summer.
  - Phase II Stormwater Permit update. There is currently a pre-public draft review released to a select group, which CASQA (California Stormwater Quality Association) is reviewing. RRWA staff participates in monthly CASQA meetings on this topic. A public draft is scheduled for June 2011, with workshops in summer 2011 and adoption in November 2011.
  - Safe Medicine Disposal – We currently have a radio ad campaign with Maverick Media stations KSRO, The River and MIX radio. The Sonoma County Recycling Guide has a Safe Medicine Disposal theme in 2011. The Board expressed interest in using pre-movie outreach, public access channels, and public radio and TV outreach. Ann Dubay (SCWA) will check with their public information team about this idea.

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- Recent and on-going advocacy items
  - Update from January 27, 2011 RWQCB meeting – Ms. Porter provided the update. The item that was of most interest to RRWA was Russian River regulatory update and TMDL development. This presentation included the latest details on the Russian River indicator bacteria studies, and the Laguna TMDL initial data collection results.
  - Update from February 10, 2011 meeting with RWQCB EO and staff – The RWQCB invited RRWA to update their Board again in 2011. Current Basin Plan amendments in progress include mixing zones, groundwater and dissolved oxygen. The RWQCB might adopt the Russian River Friendly Landscape Proclamation.
  - Next meeting with RWQCB EO and Staff – May 2011. Mike Kirn (City of Healdsburg) noted that RRWA and member agencies might benefit from a discussion with the RWQCB regarding support for getting technical work completed for our projects since they are so short staffed.
- 2011-2012 Work Plan: Consider for Adoption – Ms. Porter met with each member agency in January regarding the proposed Work Plan. Ongoing projects are in “maintenance mode” and the Work Plan has four new projects or elements: the watershed map; agricultural recycled water standards; Laguna TMDL (total maximum daily load); and creek signage. In addition, ECON will begin to support RRWA and RMC will move into an advisory role. The board voted unanimously to adopt the 2011-2012 RRWA Work Plan.
- Board/Working Group meeting in upper watershed in 2011 – The Board considered and supported the idea of a combined Board and Working Group meeting in the Ukiah area either July 28 or September 22; with either a tour of Potter Valley or a tour of Lake Mendocino and the hydroelectric project.
- Next Board Meeting – April 28, 2011 – Student Video Contest awards and Work Plan wrap-up. Future 2011 Board meetings July 28, September 22, and December 8.

F. Working Group Activities

- Upcoming meetings: March 8, April 12, May 10, June 14. One meeting will be skipped to keep with the Work Plan schedule of 11 meetings total for the year.

G. Items of Interest. No items of interest were presented.

H. Public Comment. Public comment was taken during the course of the meeting.

I. Adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 11:00 am

NEXT MEETING INFORMATION

Date: Thursday, April 28, 2011  
Time: 9:00 a.m.  
Location: Windsor Town Hall

FUTURE MEETINGS

2011 Board of Directors Meeting Calendar  
All meetings Thursday, 9:00 a.m. - Windsor Town Hall unless noted

- July 28
- Sept. 22
- Dec. 8