



RUSSIAN RIVER WATERSHED ASSOCIATION
TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP MEETING
June 14, 2011, 8:30 AM – 10:00 AM
Windsor Town Council Chambers
9291 Redwood Road, Windsor, CA 95492

A G E N D A

- 1. Greetings and Introductions**
- 2. Update from April 28, 2011 Board Meeting**
- 3. RRWA Project Updates**
 - Outreach Strategies
 - Environmental Column – Sign up and topics for 2011-2012
 - Environmental Column – Public distribution
 - RRWA Web Site enhancements
 - KRCB Watershed Project
 - North Coast IRWMP Update
 - MS4 Permit Support – Pollutant Specific Outreach
 - Phase II Stormwater Update
 - Schedule for adoption
 - June 21 SWRCB Info. Meeting, Santa Rosa
 - Forum to follow this meeting
 - Stormwater Training
 - QSP/QSD – August 9-11, Ukiah
 - CPESC – June 22 and 28 (QSP/QSD prerequisite), Santa Rosa
 - CESSWI – August 15 & 16 (QSP prerequisite), Santa Rosa
 - Stormwater Citizens Advisory Group
 - SUSMP Update – LID Technical Design Manual
 - Safe Medicine Disposal Program Update
- 4. Forum and Advocacy**
 - Topics for July 1, 2011 lunch meeting with RWQCB staff
 - Discussion of potential future advocacy items
- 5. Future Meetings and Agenda Items**
 - Working Group – July 12, 2011 – Work Plan kick-off
 - July 28, 2011 Board of Directors – Low Impact Development Technical Design Manual, City of Santa Rosa
 - BOD/TWG Upper Watershed/Ukiah meeting and tour - Sept 22, 2011
- 6. Items of Interest**
 - Student Video Contest
- 7. Public Comment**
- 8. Adjourn**

STORMWATER PHASE II FORUM FOLLOWS THIS MEETING ~ 10:15 – 11:30

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Meeting Summary (prepared by Virginia Porter, RRWA Executive Director)

1. Greetings and Introductions (8:40)

Attendees:

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| - Virginia Porter - RRWA | - Eydie Tacata – City of Rohnert Park |
| - Andy Rodgers – RRWA | - Ann DuBay - SCWA |
| - Patrick Givone -Town of Windsor | - Reg Cullen – So. Co. PRMD |
| - Teresa Gudiño – City of Santa Rosa | - Paul Wade – City of Cloverdale |
| - Heaven Hix – City of Santa Rosa | - Lisa Steinman – So.Co WMA |
| - Rick Seanor – City of Ukiah | - Mona Dougherty - RWQCB |
| - Kevin Fredrickson – City of Cotati | - Brenda Adelman - RRWPC |
| - Mynda Songer – City of Cotati | |

2. Update from April 28, 2011 RRWA Board Meeting

Virginia Porter (RRWA Executive Director) provided the update. The RRWA Board took a number of actions at their April meeting: becoming signatory to the North Coast Integrated Regional Water Management Plan Memorandum of Mutual Understandings; adopting the Russian River-Friendly Landscaping and Gardening Proclamation; directing staff to send letters to CVS Pharmacy and Walgreens asking for reconsideration of their withdrawal from our Safe Meds program; reallocating \$3,000 from the Forum for Advocacy to the KRCB Watershed Project and \$1,000 from Forum for Advocacy for an update to the RRWA brochure. The Board also awarded the winners of the 2011 Video Contest. They reviewed the RRWA web site update proposal and supported the project.

3. RRWA Programs Update

OUTREACH STRATEGIES

Environmental Column: RRWA environmental columns were reviewed:

- **May and June** – Damien O’Bid and Kevin Fredrickson (City of Cotati) wrote our May column entitled “Sheet Mulching Your Lawn Away”, which included step-by-step guidance for sheet mulching. Thank you Damien and Kevin! Reg Cullen (Sonoma County PRMD) wrote the June article, recapping information from the Stormwater Baseline Survey. Thank you Reg!
- **Future topics/annual calendar:** The following authors and topics are scheduled in this Work Plan year:
 - **July** – City of Healdsburg – Sanitary Sewer Overflows
 - **August** - Cristina Goulart (Town of Windsor) – Tap Water vs Bottled Water
 - **September** – Lauren McPhaul (City of Ukiah) – “Flushable” Rags
 - **October** – Ann DuBay (SCWA) – Coho/Steelhead/Chinook

Environmental Column – Public Distribution

Public distribution of the Environmental Column began in May 2011. The email distribution can also include other RRWA items of interest.

RRWA web site enhancements

Andy Rodgers (RRWA staff) reported on this item. A schematic representation of the new primary web site pages and sub-pages was reviewed by the group. All existing content will be reorganized within the new section areas, with one primary page dedicated to the Map. The Pollutant Specific Outreach Project will reside within the Stormwater Program. The group provided feedback, including: adding a search function;

including a “What’s New” section on the home page; adding Training to the Meetings and Events section; and adding a section for resource documents and related links. RRWA staff will work with this input and bring an update to the July meeting.

KRCB Watershed Project

Virginia Porter provided the update. The project is in need of a catchy title. The project team is also seeing key people and key messages. The group was asked to provide input to RRWA staff, both during the meeting, and following via email. KRCB plans to finish the project in 2011.

NORTH COAST IRWMP UPDATE

The North Coast IRWMP is positioned to receive \$8.2M from Prop 84 first round funding. 68% of North Coast’s Prop 84 allocation is still remaining. The Policy Review Panel and Technical Peer Review Committee are meeting July 21 in Weaverville. The NCIRWMP presented on May 24-25 at the Integrated Regional Water Management Planning Conference, sponsored by the Department of Water Resources and the Water Education Foundation.

MS4 PERMIT SUPPORT – POLLUTANT SPECIFIC OUTREACH

Andy Rodgers provided the introductory text for the web site page and a table of pollutants that are the focus of the permit and the project. Heaven Hix (City of Santa Rosa) suggested focusing on the pollutants within the permit rather than the pollutants in the Fact Sheet of the permit. The group concurred that eliminating the reference to the specific reaches of the Russian River was a good idea, and that expanding the list to include pollutants such as pet waste, yard waste and vehicle maintenance byproducts was a good idea. RRWA staff will integrate these ideas into the project.

PHASE II STORMWATER UPDATE

Virginia Porter provided the update. We are in a 60 day comment period on the draft permit. RRWA and several member agencies will be requesting additional review time to the 60 day comment period on the draft permit. The State Board is still targeting November 2011 for adoption. The State Board will hold an information meeting on June 21 in Santa Rosa, at 9:00 AM, at the Santa Rosa Utilities Training Center. There will be a Forum to follow this meeting, and Mona Dougherty of the RWQCB will be available for questions.

RRWA staff will continue to participate in CASQA calls and review process. A Phase II forum will also be scheduled after the next Working Group meeting.

STORMWATER TRAINING

- QSP/QSD – Qualified SWPPP [Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan] Developer (QSD) and Qualified SWPPP Practitioner (QSP) training in Ukiah August 9-11, with QSP training August 9, 10 and QSD training August 9-11
- CPESC(a QSP/QSD prerequisite) – Certified Professional in Erosion and Sediment Control training June 22 in Santa Rosa, with certification testing on June 28
- CESSWI (a QSP prerequisite) - Certified Erosion, Sediment, and Storm Water Inspector training in Santa Rosa August 15, with certification testing on August 16

STORMWATER CITIZENS ADVISORY GROUP

Andy Rodgers provided the update. Planning has begun for this meeting, which will take place in next Work Plan’s timeframe. Brenda Adelman (RRWPC) suggested the Sonoma County Water Coalition as a good contact.

SUSMP UPDATE – LID TECHNICAL DESIGN MANUAL

RRWA staff is reviewing the most recent draft of the LID Technical Design Manual and will provide comments. Member agencies can also provide comments by June 27 to the City of Santa Rosa. A big thanks

to Santa Rosa for leading the charge on this project. Our Board will receive a presentation about this at their July meeting.

SAFE MEDICINE DISPOSAL PROGRAM UPDATE

All CVS and Walgreens pharmacies have now left the program. RRWA has written to them asking them to reconsider. Santa Rosa has two new sites using drop boxes. RRWA's sites are in "maintenance mode".

4. Forum and Advocacy

Topics for July 1, 2011 lunch meeting with RWQCB staff

RRWA will be meeting with the RWQCB Executive Officer and staff July 1, 2011. No specific topics were brought up.

Discussion of future potential advocacy items

No specific topics were brought up.

5. Future Meetings and Agenda Items

Working Group

- Next meeting July 12, 2011 – Work Plan kick-off

Board of Directors

- July 28, 2011 – Low Impact Development Technical Design Manual presentation – City of Santa Rosa

BOD/TWG joint meeting

- BOD/TWG joint meeting in the Upper Watershed/Ukiah in 2011- Sept 22.

6. Items of Interest

- Student Video Contest winning videos were viewed.
- Heaven Hix noted that Jill Scott (City of Santa Rosa) will be at our next TWG meeting to discuss the Creek Week Campaign
- Ann DuBay (SCWA) announced that the Sonoma County youth ecology corps kick-off BBQ is this weekend (6/16) at Spring Lake.

7. Public Comment:

Public comment was taken during the course of the meeting.

8. Adjourn: Meeting adjourned at 10:10. A Stormwater Phase II Forum was held immediately following this meeting.