



RUSSIAN RIVER WATERSHED ASSOCIATION
TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP MEETING
April 9, 2019, 10:30 AM – 12:30 PM
Windsor Town Council Chambers
9291 Old Redwood Highway, Windsor, CA 95492

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 - Environmental Articles
 - Schedule projected through January 2020
 - Topics of interest
 - Sonoma County Office of Education
 - Banner
 - Cloverdale Citrus Fair
 - Social Media
 - Video contest update-award ceremony May 23

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SUMMARY NOTES

1. Greetings and Introductions

Andy Rodgers – RRWA	Joe Gaffney – City of Sebastopol
Colleen Hunt – RRWA	Rick Seanor – City of Ukiah
Eric Janzen – City of Cloverdale	Oriana Hart – Sonoma County
Jon Caldwell – City of Cotati	Andrea Rodriguez – Sonoma Water
Ben Kageyama – City of Healdsburg	Ann Dubay – Sonoma Water
Nick Bennett – City of Rohnert Park	Elizabeth Cargay – Town of Windsor
Angela Beran – City of Rohnert Park	Chuck Striplen – NCRWQCB
Sean McNeil – City of Santa Rosa	Adriane Garayalde – RR Confluence
Nick Sudano – City of Santa Rosa	

- Review Agenda

2. Project Management Activities

- 2019/2020 meeting dates
 - No comments on the proposed schedule which will include a skip month in October and a meeting in August.
- Activity and Deliverable Reports
 - December report presented. Comments are welcome by the end of April.
- TWG Welcome Packets
 - Draft packet introduced. Comments welcomed by the end of April.
- TWG in-kind work plan collaboration
 - Andy suggested that review of in-kind contributions can help manage expectations of each other. This is an idea to describe and capture in-kind services. RRWA presented percent financial contributions for each agency in a pie chart. Discussed the current in-kind contributions of each member agency. Suggesting a way to capture proportionally what everyone is doing and be able to track it.
 - Nick B (Rohnert Park)-what does that look like? Track hours? Funding? Can strengthen case to the State Board on the regional permit fee proposal.
 - Andy (RRWA) This would be an end of the year wrap up in addition to the work plan.
 - Sean (Santa Rosa) is in support of tracking this effort.

3. 2019/2020 Work Plan

- Adopted by the Board on February 28
 - Update only
- Streets to Creeks Outreach funding update
 - Elizabeth (Windsor) is requesting a motion be taken to the Board to move funding to fund Streets to Creeks outreach funding needs.
 - Joe (Sebastopol) noted that one option is to use the roll over from the current work plan.
 - Sean (Santa Rosa) in favor of using the roll over.
 - Eric (Cloverdale) TIV is in a better position to report metrics.

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- Andy (RRWA) take advantage of the TIV expertise and have the RRWA reflect those benefits. We have a work plan to implement and help with permit compliance. Andy would like feedback on specific report metrics that are currently not being reported.
- Elizabeth (Windsor) does not feel like the message is reaching people and the Streets to Creeks approach will be more successful. The permit requires to show effectiveness and Elizabeth thinks Streets to Creeks is the way to do that.
- Andy (RRWA) focus is trying to find a way to make the Streets to Creeks happen with existing resources and enhance the campaign.
- Elizabeth (Windsor) want to know if we can fund completely with a roll over.
- Action items: Provide recommendation for roll over: dollar amounts and what projects and then, if needed, look at moving funding in the new work plan.
- Andy needs a way to describe the campaign to the Board with an at-a-glance summary. Santa Rosa is planning on giving a presentation to the Board at the May meeting. Andy is suggesting the Board meeting have an overall outreach update.
- Send last social media metric out to the group. Set up a social media subcommittee meeting.

4. Storm Water Program Updates

- Laguna Monitoring and Reporting Plan (MRP)
 - RRWA provided an update on the schedule. Draft report due to the Co-Permittees May 3.
- LID Offset Policy
 - The draft has been provided to the County.
- State-Wide Pesticide Amendment
 - RRWA is tracking the progress of these requirements.
- Children's Placemat
 - Eric is concerned with one-way communication. Suggested to add social media links and incentivize posting. Sean (Santa Rosa) not sure if this is the best communication tool for targeting storm water. Elizabeth (Windsor) Add coloring opportunities, maybe a badge? Link to the video contest.
- CASQA Participation
 - Phase II Permit Renewal – anticipating public comment period with the new permit this fall.
 - Conference October 5-7 Monterey
- Regional permit fee follow-up Hearing is in August

5. Russian River Watershed Coordination

- Upper Russian River Water Managers meeting-March 20
 - The next meeting is May 22. This is the main way to track the Potter Valley project. PG&E is being asked to provide an update at the May Board meeting.
- DWR Water Plan Pilot
 - The Draft should be released in the future, but no schedule has been announced.
- Regional Monitoring Program (R3MP)

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- Steering Committee #6-March 14
 - The first phase of the project is wrapping up. Management questions and charter have been approved. Discussion on funding models and input on the project. Chuck (RWQCB) 15-20 decision points to begin to prioritize monitoring needs. Working on securing funding for Phase II. Next steps, Phase II will be more details on monitoring needs in the watershed, evaluate what local agencies are spending on monitoring to look for potential regional budget. Doodle poll for meeting #7 to be distributed to the group for a meeting sometime in May.

6. RRWA Outreach

- Russian River Geographic Response Plan (GRP) update
 - Draft review should be available in the future, but no schedule provided.
- Earth Day Events
 - Send Earth Day events to RRWA for social media posting.
- Watershed Atlas
 - New platform presented. A live link will be distributed to the group.
- Environmental Articles
 - Schedule projected through January 2020 (see below)
 - Topics of interest
- Sonoma County Office of Education
 - Presentation on storm water permitting and RRWA collaboration provided.
- Banner
 - Has been printed and is available for use.
- Cloverdale Citrus Fair
 - Attended by 15,000 people.
- Social Media
 - Metrics update reported
- Video contest update-award ceremony May 23
 - Evening meeting. Award ceremony to follow.

7. Forum and Advocacy

- Russian River Pathogen TMDL-Summer 2019
 - Staff report will be released for public comment.
 - Next quarterly meeting with the Board EO is May 2. As schools are being considered for Phase II permits, consider having student outreach moved to the school districts.

8. Items of Interest

- Support Letters provided as attachments
- 37th Annual Salmonid Restoration Conference Poster Session
- Senate Bill 45
 - Wildfire, Drought, and Flood Protection Bond Act of 2020 regional approach to fire resiliency.
- NCRP Update
 - Prop 1 proposals received. Total of 37 million dollars in project applications submitted, with 20 million available.

- SWRP

- RRWA has a proposal in with the NCRP to obtain funding to adaptively manage the SWRP.
- Logo update.
 - Send out electronically for comments.
- Great River Race-May 4 event at memorial beach.
 - RRWA has the option to table or sponsor. Ann (Sonoma Water) have attended in the past but does not get a lot of engagement. TWG provided direction to not attend.
- 2019 Science Symposium at Sonoma State University-April 30

9. Public Comment

- No public comment provided.

10. Adjourn

RRWA Calendar Summary:

Unless otherwise noted, RRWA Meetings are held at the Windsor Town Council Chambers, 9291 Old Redwood Highway, Windsor, California 95492

Upcoming TWG Meetings 10:30 am – 12:30 pm	Upcoming Board of Directors meetings 9:00 am – 11:00 am
April 9, 2019 June 11, 2019 July 9, 2019 August 13, 2019 September 10, 2019 November 12, 2019 December 10, 2019	May 23, 2019—3:00 meeting; Guest Speaker Chris Brokate, Clean River Alliance July 25, 2019—Guest Speaker TBD September 26, 2019—Guest Speaker TBD December 5, 2019—Guest Speaker TBD
Environmental Columns	
March – Thank you, Sonoma Water (Ann DuBay)—Our Invisible but Critical Water Source April – Thank you, Lisa Steinman, County of Sonoma, Courtney Scott, Sonoma County Waste Management Agency, and Christina Leung, RRWA Staff—Safe Medicine Disposal Program May – City of Cloverdale, Firescaping June – City of Rohnert Park, TBD July –County of Sonoma, TBD August – City of Sebastopol, TBD September – City of Cotati, TBD October – City of Ukiah, TBD November – City of Healdsburg, TBD December – City of Santa Rosa, TBD January – County of Mendocino, TBD	
Important Dates	
May 23, 5:30 pm - High School Video Contest Awards Ceremony (Sonoma Water, 404 Aviation Boulevard, Santa Rosa)	

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