

RUSSIAN RIVER WATERSHED ASSOCIATION
MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

February 23, 2006, 9:00 AM
Windsor Council Chambers
9291 Old Redwood Highway, Windsor, CA 95492

A G E N D A

- 1. Call to Order and Introductions**
- 2. Approval of the Agenda**
- 3. Approval of the Minutes**
January 19, 2006 Board of Directors Meeting
- 4. Guest Speaker**
"California Watershed Network: Building a Coordinated Network of Community-Based Watershed Stewardship in California"
Presented by: Mary Lee Knecht, California Watershed Network
- 5. Old Business**
 - A. IRWMP Update (*Renton*)
 - B. Existing Budget Update (*St. Charles*)
- 6. New Business**
 - A. 2006-2007 Work Plan (*Richardson*)
 - Presentation of the final Work Plan
 - Staff Recommendation: Approve Work Plan
- 7. Working Group Activities**
 - A. Water Quality and Regulations (*St. Charles*)
Next meeting: March 14, 2006 (8:30 AM – 10:00 AM)
 - B. Integrated Resources and Planning (*St. Charles*)
Next meeting: March 14, 2006 (10:00 AM – 11:00 AM)
 - C. Public Outreach and Funding (*St. Charles*)
Next meeting: March 14, 2006 (11:00 AM – 12:00 PM)
 - Outreach Strategies
 - Funding Approach
- 8. Items of Interest**
- 9. Public Comment**
- 10. Adjourn**

MINUTES
RUSSIAN RIVER WATERSHED ASSOCIATION

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

Date: Thursday, February 23, 2006
Time: 9:00 a.m.
Location: Council Chambers
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Directors Present. Directors present included:

Paul Kelley	Sonoma County Water Agency/County of Sonoma
Jane Bender	City of Santa Rosa
Steve Allen	Town of Windsor
Matt Mullan	Town of Windsor
Janet Orchard	City of Cotati
Jake Mackenzie	City of Rohnert Park
Roland Sanford	Mendocino County Water Agency

Directors present represented a quorum of 7 out of the 11 RRWA participants.

Board Actions.

1. Call to order. (Paul Kelley, Chair). Mr. Kelley called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m. and everyone introduced themselves.

2. Approval of the agenda. The agenda was approved.

3. Approval of Minutes of the Meeting of January 19, 2006. The minutes from the January 19, 2006 were approved.

4. Guest Speaker Mary Lee Knecht, California Watershed Network presenting "California Watershed Network: Building a Coordinated Network of Community Based Watershed Stewardship in California. Due to an unexpected illness, Ms Knecht cancelled her appearance. This presentation will be rescheduled. Mr. Kelley introduced Ron Roller of the Sotoyome Resource Conservation District who offered help to the RRWA with grants and outreach issues. Currently Sotoyome Resource Conservation District is working with the City of Santa Rosa with permitting and is interested in expanding their efforts with RRWA.

5a. Old Business-Update on North Coast IRWMP (Anderson). Tim Anderson reported the Planning Grant received a Letter of Commitment for \$500,000, which is to be administered by the Humboldt County. The Implementation Grant application is for a maximum of \$50 million of which \$10-25 million is what the state is awarding in step 1. If awarded, we anticipate a call back for step 2. The State was impressed with the North Coast efforts and is using it as a model. Special thanks to Lisa Renton and Karen Gaffney for their efforts in this process. Mr. Anderson also reported on two Water Bonds in Sacramento. One is a voter initiative in which \$37 million would be for the North Coast and \$45 million would be for the coastal fisheries. The other bond is from the Governor and it has \$45 million for the North Coast but none for the fisheries. This bond is controversial and it would charge \$3 per water bill.

5b. Old Business-Update on Existing Budget (Richardson/St. Charles): Dave Richardson distributed a handout reported the Overall, Executive Director, General Benefit, and the Special Benefit Budgets.

6. New Business-Presentation of the final Work Plan (Richardson/St.Charles): Dave Richardson presented an overview of the final Work Plan. Budget and scopes were reviewed for the executive director services as well as general and special benefited projects. Mr. Richardson also reviewed cost allocation formulas and individual agency contributions. The Grant Program is unfunded at this time, but will be funded once a BOD approved grant application opportunity is identified. Jake Mackenzie was identified as the RRWA liaison for Russian River

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Watershed Council. Mr. Mackenzie will be assisted by RRWA staff in his role. The procedure for RRWA correspondence was discussed. Draft letters are brought before the BOD for input at the monthly meeting if time allows, otherwise letters are finalized internally and distributed. Final copies of correspondence are distributed at relevant working group meetings as well as at BOD meetings. A new policy will be implemented allowing for new projects to be added to the work plan throughout the year. These projects must be developed and approved through two working group and BOD meetings. This will allow for flexibility throughout the year. The 2006-2007 Work Plan was unanimously approved.

7. Working Group Activities.

- A. Water Quality and Regulations: Persephene St. Charles presented an update on project activities including residential fats, oils and grease, mercury control, and coordinated permitting. The next meeting is scheduled for March 14, 2006, 8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.
- B. Integrated Resources Planning: Ms. St. Charles indicated that RRWA will begin scoping a regional project for inclusion in the round 2 NC IRWMP application based on the scopes prepared by project proponents for round 1. The next meeting is scheduled for March 14, 2006, 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
- C. Public Outreach and Funding: Ms. St. Charles requested the BOD to provide input on the prioritization scheme for the Eligible Entity Outreach Strategy developed by POF. The BOD commented that local officials should be included in outreach instead of just state and federal. The next meeting is scheduled for March 14, 2006, 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

8. Items of Interest. None.

9. Public Comment. There was no public comment.

10. Adjourn. Chairman Kelley adjourned the meeting at 10:08 a.m.

Submitted by: Phyllis Reason

NEXT MEETING INFORMATION

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FUTURE MEETINGS

Note: There will be no BOD meeting in April 2006
Thursday, May 25, 2006
Thursday, June 22, 2006