



RUSSIAN RIVER WATERSHED ASSOCIATION
WATER QUALITY & REGULATIONS
WORKING GROUP SESSION

November 13, 2007, 8:30 AM – 10:00 AM
Windsor Corporation Yard, Building 100
8400 Windsor Road, Windsor, CA 95492

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- 2. Board of Directors Meeting (10/25) Follow-up**
- 3. Pharmaceuticals Program Update**
- 4. Phase II Stormwater Awareness Program (Forum)**
- 5. Stormwater Training Update**
- 6. FOG Program Update**
- 7. Meeting Structure Discussion**
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Meeting Summary (prepared by RRWA staff Christy Kennedy)

1. Greetings and Introductions

Attendees:

Phoebe Grow, RRWA
Christy Kennedy, RRWA
Eydie Tacata, City of Rohnert Park
Rick Seanor, City of Ukiah
Ken Krout, Sonoma County Regional Parks
Bruce Taylor, Santa Rosa
Forest Frasier, Santa Rosa
Brenda Adelman, RRWPC
Jim Tyler, Sonoma County Environmental Health
Rick Seanor, Ukiah
Caroline Marker, Healdsburg

2. Strategic Planning Session Follow-up

RRWA staff presented the new mission and vision statements, and gave an overview of the recent Board Meeting discussion where it was determined that the work plan would be set up assuming a consultant (RMC) would be utilized as the Executive Director for another year, the mix of programs versus advocacy was adequate and that the MOU should be revised. MOU allocations will be revisited when the work planning is conducted. Also discussed were comments from Ukiah board members including what is available that could be utilized at a council level, such as ordinances.

3. Pharmaceutical Program Update

RRWA gave an overview of the November 8th Safe Medicine Symposium put on by SCWA. Also discussed was the environmental column introducing the safe medicine disposal program and the “coming soon” locations of drop bins.

4. Phase II Stormwater Awareness Program (Forum)

The group discussed the topic of the next forum. It was decided that it would be a casual question and answer session with the RWQCB regulators (Mona Dougherty and Paul Kieran). The target date will be December 11, 2007 at 10am after the TWG meeting provided RWQCB can be there. The main topic will be Phase II permit renewals.

Other stormwater notes from the group were a request for the “Train the Trainer” training which should include a how to deal with spill response, a presentation on what BMPs have worked – similar to vector control presentation given to Rohnert Park, and a potential topic for future Phase II forums where a stormwater ordinance would be dissected and reviewed.

5. Stormwater Training Update. Training was conducted on October 10, 2007 in Santa Rosa at the Transit Operations Building. Paul Keiran from NC RWQCB and Hossain Kazemi from Stormwater Compliance Solutions presented the training. Staff from Cloverdale, Healdsburg, Windsor, Ukiah, Rohnert Park, Cotati, Santa Rosa and Sonoma County were in attendance.

6. FOG Program. RRWA staff handed out doorhanger/scrapper packets (200 each) to member agencies. The stickers were sent to all stores in the watershed that sell turkey fryers. RRWA staff will contact the stores after the holiday to see if the stickers were utilized and get feedback.

7. Meeting Structure Discussion. Based on comments in previous meetings it was decided that TWG meetings would be combined into one 1.5 hour long meeting on the second Tuesday of the month starting at 8:30am. The meeting will include WQR, IRP and POF topics. The new meeting structure will start on December 11th. If there is a long agenda, the meeting will be extended or an additional meeting added as needed.

8. Future Meetings and Agenda Items: The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, December 11, 2007 the Windsor Corporation Yard.

9. Items of Interest: Jim Tyler noted attendance at the Ocean Water Monitoring Meeting and discussed topics such as freshwater bathing guidance and blue-green algae.

10. Public Comment: No public comment.

11. Adjourn: Meeting adjourned at 9:57 a.m.



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2. Collaboration with Sotoyome RCD
3. Update on North Coast IRWMP
4. Chinook Recovery Strategy Update
5. Funding Update
 - AB 303
 - Prop 84/1E
 - 2008 Water Bonds
6. RRWA Info Packet
7. Speaker's Bureau (ASCE)
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Ken Krout, Sonoma County Regional Parks
Sierra Cantor, Sotoyome RCD
Don McEnhill, Russian Riverkeeper

2. Collaboration with Sotoyome RCD: Sierra Cantor (Sotoyome RCD) and Don McEnhill (Russian Riverkeeper) briefed the Working Group on the 2007 First Flush activities. The Russian River First Flush (RRFF) monitoring was intended to characterize the runoff in different parts of the watershed and identify sources of potential pollutants. The information gleaned from this characterization effort can help citizens, local agencies, and regulators prioritize future management options. For the 2007 RRFF, volunteers collected water samples at 20 different locations on the Russian River in the middle of the night on Oct 9/10. Samples were sent to various laboratories to be analyzed for nutrients, bacteria, total suspended solids, turbidity, and metals. At the time of the Working Group meeting, results for all the samples had not yet been received.

The group discussed how RRWA could potentially assist with RRFF in the future. It was noted that it would be useful if RRWA member agencies could provide stormwater maps to the RRFF organizers and potentially also suggest locations that would be appropriate for RRFF monitoring. It was also discussed that RRWA should consider including help with RRFF in its 2008 Work Plan. Ways that RRWA could assist with RRFF include helping with event advertising/volunteer recruitment, coordinating volunteer training sessions, and assisting with document production (technical report and/or summary brochure).

3. Update on North Coast IRWMP: Lisa Renton of SCWA will provide an update on the North Coast IRWMP at the next Working Group meeting.

4. **Chinook Recovery Strategy Update:** RRWA's Chinook Recovery Strategy is on hold indefinitely. SCWA and National Marine Fisheries Service are awaiting further developments with the Coho Recovery Strategy before proceeding with the development of the Chinook Recovery Strategy.
5. **Funding Update:**
 - **AB303:** AB303 (Local Groundwater Assistance Program, DWR) grant applications are due December 11, 2007.
 - **Prop 84/IE:** Information about Prop 1E was sent to the Working Group by e-mail on November 9, 2007.
 - **2008 Water Bonds:** The governor has proposed ~\$9 billion in new bonds for funding of water projects. ~\$1B of the \$9B may be allocated for groundwater project including groundwater clean-up project and groundwater storage projects. State Democrats has proposed \$3.6B in water bonds to fund surface storage, groundwater storage, groundwater clean-up, and water conveyance projects.
6. **RRWA Info Packet:** RRWA has prepared a sample Info Packet for the Working Group to review. At a previous Working Group session, it was suggested that such Info Packets would be very useful for the Board of Directors. The info packet included the RRWA Memorandum of Understanding, the current Work Plan, environmental columns, meetings agendas and minutes, and RRWA outreach materials. It was suggested the Info Packet also include a roster and a calendar.
7. **Speaker's Bureau (ASCE):** Christy Kennedy and Phoebe Grow of RRWA will be delivering a presentation about RRWA at an American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE) meeting at Cattleman's Restaurant in Santa Rosa on December 12, 2007.
6. **Future Meetings and Agenda Items:** The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, December 11, 2007 the Windsor Corporation Yard. The IRP, POF and WQR meetings will be combined into one meeting (see Water Quality and Regulations Meeting Minutes from 11/13/07 for further discussion).
9. **Items of Interest:** None
10. **Public Comment:** No public comment.
11. **Adjourn:** Meeting adjourned at 10:59 a.m.