



RUSSIAN RIVER WATERSHED ASSOCIATION
TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP MEETING
July 8, 2014, 9:00 AM – 11:00 AM
Windsor Town Council Chambers
9291 Old Redwood Highway, Windsor, CA 95492

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 - CoPermittee update
- Safe Medicine Disposal Program update
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SUMMARY

(Prepared by RRWA staff)

1. Greetings and Introductions (9:00 AM)

Attendees:

Andy Rodgers – RRWA	Teresa Gudino – City of Santa Rosa
Daria Isupov – RRWA	Jenifer Piccinini – City of Santa Rosa
Nazareth Tesfai – SCWA	Elizabeth Cargay – City of Sebastopol
Lisa Steinman – SCWMA	Rick Seanor – City of Ukiah
Corbin Johnson – SC Regional Parks	Scott Carter – City of Healdsburg
Heaven Moore – City of Santa Rosa	Eydie Tacata – City of Rohnert Park
Rocky Vogler – City of Santa Rosa	Jim Smith – Town of Windsor
Forest Frasier – City of Santa Rosa	Colleen Hunt – NCRWQCB

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 - Daria Isupov (RRWA) announced that two projects submitted by RRWA member agencies have been included on the Priority Projects list for the inclusion in the Prop 84, IRWM Program 2014 Drought Grant application.
 - The non-adopted version of the North Coast IRWM Plan, Phase III is available for public review (June 18 - July 18).
 - Final Groundwater Basin Prioritization Results for the CASGEM program are now available. Basin Prioritization is being used to align resources in the implementation of the CASGEM Program.

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- DWR has released the 2014 Water-Energy Grant Program Draft Guidelines and Proposal Solicitation Package. Several member agencies expressed interest in learning more about this grant program and RRWA staff will follow up.
- NCRP Policy Review Panel has cancelled their July 17th meeting.
- 2014 CASQA Conference
 - Andy Rodgers (RRWA) announced that RRWA staff was chosen to present at the 2014 CASQA Conference in Anaheim, CA. The submitted abstract was entitled “Watershed-wide Permit Alignment: the Challenges and Successes of Regional Collaboration and Multiple Agency Program Integration.” RRWA staff will collaborate with NCRWQCB staff and member agencies to convey the story of the recent regional permit alignment.
- Annual Stormwater Activities Technical Memorandum to members early August 2014
- CoPermittee update
 - Colleen Hunt (NCRWQCB) said that the CoPermittees hosted NCRWQCB staff to discuss the Russian River pathogen TMDL. Staff is planning a public workshop on the topic to be held in August/September.
- Safe Medicine Disposal Program update
 - Daria Isupov provided an update on the Veterinary Outreach campaign and passed around print materials.
 - Andy Rodgers provided an update on the upcoming Safe Medicine Disposal Symposium. A Save-the-Date will be sent to the Working Group in late July.
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- Jenifer Piccinini (Santa Rosa) introduced herself as the new staff coordinator for Creek Week. She requested that other agencies provide their planned activities for inclusion in Santa Rosa's outreach efforts. Jenifer Piccinini said that the 2014 Creek Week will take place from Sept 20-27 and summarized the planned activities.
- Heaven Moore (Santa Rosa) asked if other agencies have experienced issues with private developers who cannot purchase storm drain decals. The City-recommended vendor recently stopped selling decals and developers cannot comply with permit requirements if decals are not available and that the City cannot sell them. Lisa Steinman (SCWMA) offered to contact SCWMA's vendor to seek a solution.
- Heaven Moore announced the Santa Rosa City Hall water conservation retrofit project is underway. The City will document the process and will include Russian River-friendly components in addition to other outreach messaging at the site.

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8. Adjourn (10:00 AM)

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