

Meeting Notes

Lake Elsinore and Canyon Lake TMDL Task Force Technical Advisory Committee

June 14, 2011, at 1:30 PM
Lake Elsinore and San Jacinto Watersheds Authority
11615 Sterling Avenue
Riverside, CA 92503
Prepared by Rick Whetsel

Lake Elsinore and Canyon Lake TMDL Committee Members Present	Pat Boldt, San Jacinto River Watershed Council Mark Norton, SAWPA Ron Young, Elsinore Valley Municipal Water District Pat Kilroy, City of Lake Elsinore Jim Grimm, City of Canyon Lake Jason Uhley, County of Riverside
Absent	Hope Smythe, Regional Water Quality Control Board
Others Present	Scott Sewell, CA Dept of Fish & Game; Robert Vasquez, RCFC&WCD; Bruce Scott, WRCAC; Nancy Horton, City of Canyon Lake; Steve Palmer, City of Wildomar; Lori Wolfe, City of Menifee; Tim Moore, Risk Sciences; Debbie Johnson, AIS; Rick Whetsel, SAWPA

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mark Norton called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

2. DISCUSSION: FEEDBACK FROM REGIONAL BOARD STAFF CONCERNING TASK FORCE IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGY

Mark Norton, LESJWA Administrator provided a brief overview of a letter sent to Regional Board staff regarding the issues discussed at the May 17th meeting. Mark noted his concern of not having enough time to meet the June 30th deliverable data if we wait for a response from the Regional Board. After a brief discussion the TAC recommended that we proceed under the presumption that the Regional Board is in agreement with the newly proposed TMDL implementation strategies discussed with Regional Board staff on May 17th and that we proceed as planned.

Tim Moore will prepare the letter due to the Regional Board on June 30th describing these strategies. This will be followed up by the County MS4 group proceeding with their Comprehensive Nutrient Reduction Plan for the TMDLs, due December 31, 2011, which will include a recommended strategy for implementing BMPs to address the TMDLs for both Lake Elsinore and Canyon Lake, as well as, a revised TMDL monitoring strategy.

3. DISCUSSION: SAN JACINTO WATERSHED MODEL CALIBRATION ISSUES IMPACTING LOAD ALLOCATION

Tim Moore, Risk Sciences informed the TAC a number of issues regarding the modeled land use coverage used in the 2010 San Jacinto Watershed model update for the TMDL. There was much discussion regarding the appropriateness of the SCAG land use coverage used in the model, issues of using a collage of older land use coverage data with water quality data from 2010, questions about jurisdictional boundaries and the question of what is agriculture and what is not agriculture and how it is represented in the model. After a lengthy discussion a question was raised as to whether or not the TAC should consider hiring AIS to update the entire watershed land use coverage to update all of the land use data to the same level of detail.

Debbie Johnson/ AIS provided a proposal detailing a number of alternatives for the TAC to consider and update the watershed land use coverage. These options ranged from a mapping of generalized land use categories to a

more complete integration of the land use data with County parcel data. After some discussion it was requested that AIS prepare a separate scope of work to look specifically at the lands designated at other agriculture by the TAC.

4. DISCUSSION: CANYON LAKE IMPLEMENTATION PROJECT

The TAC deferred any further discussion of the Canyon Lake Hypolimnetic Oxygenation System (HOS) until the TAC received a response from the Regional Board on the proposed TMDL implementation strategy.

5. DISCUSSION: LAKE MODELING SCOPE OF WORK FOR DR. MICHAEL ANDERSON

The TAC again deferred discussion of a scope of work to address issues relating to the water quality in Canyon Lake by Dr Michael Anderson, until the Task Force makes a decision on the preferred implementation strategy for Canyon Lake.

6. NEXT MEETING

No LE&CL TAC was scheduled.

The next meeting of the Lake Elsinore and Canyon Lake Nutrient TMDL Task Force Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, July 12, 2011, at 1:30 p.m.

Rick Whetsel adjourned the meeting at 12:15 p.m.