

Basin Monitoring Program Task Force

December 8, 2009

ATTENDEES:

Jack Nelson, YVWD	Bonita Fan, IEUA
Kristen Wardlaw, YVWD	Sandy Caldwell, Southstar Engineering
Kevin Street, City of Riverside	Jayne Joy, EMWD
Sam Fuller, SBVMWD	Al Javier, EMWD
Val Housel, San Bernardino MWD	Greg Woodside, OCWD
Bobby Gustafson, San Bernardino MWD	Marsha Westropp, OCWD
Gerard Thibeault, CRWQCB	Tim Moore, Risk Sciences
Cindy Li, CRWQCB	Joe LeClaire, WE Inc.
Linda Garcia, WMWD	Andy Malone, WE Inc.
Norris Brandt, EVMWD	Mark Norton, SAWPA
Robert Kent, USGS	Regina Patterson, SAWPA
Lindy Lewis, City of Corona	

Call to Order

The Basin Monitoring Program (BMP) Task Force meeting was called to order at 1:36 p.m. at the Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority office located at 11615 Sterling Avenue, Riverside, California.

Meeting Summary Approval

Mark Norton presented the November 18, 2009 Meeting Summary for approval. The following revision was made:

Page 2 Paragraph 1: Replace "Andy Malone presented Wasteload Allocation Scenario 7." With "*Andy Malone presented the results of the Well Attrition Analysis.*"

The Meeting Summary was deemed acceptable as amended.

Status - Amendment No. 1 to Task Force Agreement – SAWPA

Mark Norton presented Amendment No. 1 to the "Agreement to Form a Task Force to Conduct a Basin Monitoring Program for Nitrogen and TDS in the SAR" and reported that SAWPA's legal counsel has reviewed the document. He asked that comments by the Task Force agencies' legal counsels be provided to him by January 15, 2010. Those comments will be discussed at the January meeting, and then the Agreement will be prepared to take to the Task Force governing boards for approval.

Basin Plan Amendment for SAR Wasteload Allocation – WE Inc.

Andy Malone reported the results are not final so they will not be presented today. It is anticipated that the charts and tables will be posted to Wildermuth's FTP site next week. A report will be provided prior to the next meeting and results will be discussed at the January Task Force meeting.

Tim Moore and the group briefly discussed the nitrogen loss coefficient and the flow-weighted TDS.

Mr. Norton said the goal is to have the Basin Plan Amendment completed with all the results by March 11, 2010. He said we anticipate seeing everything done in the report by the January meeting. Mr. Moore said it will be difficult to get it done in that short amount of time. However, if his work on the max benefit, if needed, could be done in parallel with the SAR wasteload allocation, then it could possibly be done in time. Mr. Moore will work with Andy Malone to prepare a work schedule.

Mr. Malone requested that Cindy Li speak to her staff and confirm the method the Regional Board used for measuring compliance with the Reach 2 objective.

RWQCB Declaration of Conformance – Risk Sciences

Tim Moore stated that at the end of the Reclamation Guidance Document (RGD), there were five examples of recycled projects thought to presumptively justify maximum benefit. He referenced a section that was cut and pasted into the draft Declaration of Conformance and listed the five examples: 1) projects that maximize potable water supply provide maximum benefit like imported water from State Project water; 2) projects that provide net environmental improvements; 3) projects that displace demand for potable water to meet Section 13550 of the Porter-Cologne Act, using non-potable water for irrigation; 4) projects that meet a compelling state interest; 5) projects that generate a net increase in the use of recycled water.

Mr. Moore stated there are two things we wanted to preserve and are the reasons for writing the Declaration of Conformance: 1) Tables A and B, the threshold definitions of what constitutes a protective beneficial use for TDS and nitrate-nitrogen; and 2) the five projects stated above. Discussion followed.

Mr. Moore will revise the Declaration of Conformance and send to the Task Force members on December 15th. Comments are to be sent to Regina Patterson at rpatterson@sawpa.org by December 23rd, staying in line with the Regional Board deadline of March 3, 2010.

Future Meeting

Tuesday, January 19, 2010 at 1:30 p.m.

Adjournment

As there was no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:10 p.m.

Handout(s) (available at www.sawpa.org)

1. Amendment No. 1 to Task Force Agreement