

Salinity Management and Imported Water Recharge Plenary Workgroup

April 15, 2008

ATTENDEES:

Linda Garcia, WMWD
Jack Nelson, YVWD
Greg Woodside, OCWD
Craig Miller, OCWD
Marsha Westropp, OCWD
Hope Smythe, CRWQCB
Jerry Thibeault, CRWQCB
Jeff Davis, SGPWA
David Aladjem, SBVMWD/WMWD
Tim Moore, Risk Sciences
Max Rasouli, City of Riverside
Kevin Street, City of Riverside RWQCP
Greg Krzys, USBR

Thomas White, City of Corona
Harrison Nguyen, IEUA
Mark Bulot, SBVMWD
Patrick Sheilds, IEUA
Jayne Joy, EMWD
Phil Miller, EVMWD
Sam Fuller, SBVMWD
Jennifer Bell, City of SBMWD
Mark Wildermuth, WE Inc.
Joe LeClaire, WE Inc.
Jack Safely, WMWD
Mark Norton, SAWPA
Regina Patterson, SAWPA

Call to Order / Introductions

The Salinity Management and Imported Water Recharge Workgroup meeting was called to order at 1:30 p.m. at the Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority located at 11615 Sterling Avenue, Riverside, California. Introductions were made.

Approval of February 22, 2008 Plenary Workgroup Meeting Summary

Mark Norton asked if there were comments or revisions to the February 22, 2008 Meeting Summary. Greg Woodside asked that a correction be made in the last paragraph on page 1 replacing "Regional Board's Recycled Water Policy" with "SWRCB's Recycled Water Policy". Hearing no additional comments or revisions, the meeting summary was received and filed as amended.

Upon motion by Mr. Woodside, seconded by Mr. Nelson, the motion unanimously carried:

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MOVED, approve the February 22, 2008 Meeting Summary as amended.

Implementation of Cooperative Agreement for Imported Water Recharge – Nitrogen TDS

Mr. Norton said in the last meeting options regarding implementing a multi-agency task force were discussed. San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District (Muni) expressed concerns in wanting to keep it separate and if there was a way to become involved without being a signatory. Legal counsel has been sent a draft of Amendment No. 1 to the Task Force

Agreement. The draft is for your review and consideration. Another option is to have two separate task forces, continuing the Basin Monitoring Program Task Force as it is and creating a new task force, administered by SAWPA, with the agencies that signed the Cooperative Agreement and proceed with them and with the specific tasks associated with the agreement signed by the Regional Board. The emerging constituents discussions would potentially be an additional task force.

Mark Bulot stated that we need to develop a scope first. There are basic concepts and overarching obligations in the original agreement. Internal discussions have been that we would take an appropriate approach by having, in addition to this body of agencies, a panel of experts to convene on an Ad Hoc basis to look at the specific areas in which we have made general obligations and to try to help formulate a specific set of tasks that need to be accomplished with timetables.

Tim Moore said anything that moves toward a substantive accomplishment of the task is better. In the past, a Scoping Committee has been used without the overhead burden of formulating a task force so that it is more content driven and not so much procedurally driven.

Mr. Moore said because there is an existing task force, there are some efficiencies to be had by doing it with the existing task force. There may be some opposition if it is done separately and when some agencies are asked to double pay. Mr. Norton said through SAWPA it can move rapidly by using funds that are left over from the TIN-TDS effort and from agencies that are willing to provide funding without a formal agreement.

Following extensive discussion, **Dennis Williams was contacted by SBVMWD and indicated that Dennis will be joining the panel and meeting with Mark Wildermuth and Jerry Thibeault at 3:30 p.m. on April 29, 2008 at SAWPA to develop a scope of work and implement the Cooperative Agreement.**

Mark Norton will prepare a funding request to the responsible agencies. The panel will provide a projection of costs. A draft scope will be prepared for distribution by May 16, 2008.

Budget and Consultant Support

Mr. Norton asked the group if there is a need or desire to continue Tim Moore's involvement with this workgroup? Several workgroup members stated that there is a value in continuing that support with this workgroup. **Mr. Moore accepted the recommendation and said that he would prepare a schedule that starts with the deliverable date.**

Future Meeting

The next meeting of the Salinity Management and Imported Water Recharge Workgroup is scheduled for May 22, 2008 from 2:00 p.m.

Adjournment

The meeting of the Salinity Management and Imported Water Recharge Workgroup adjourned at 2:50 p.m.