

**MEETING NOTES OF THE
LAKE ELSINORE/CANYON LAKE TMDL
TASK FORCE MEETING**

February 11, 2014

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Call to Order & Introductions

The Lake Elsinore/Canyon Lake TMDL Task Force meeting was called to order at 1:30 p.m. by the Chair, Jason Uhley at Elsinore Valley Municipal Water District, Lake Elsinore, California.

Meeting Notes from the Task Force Meeting held January 14, 2014

Meeting notes of January 14, 2014, were unanimously approved as submitted.

Canyon Lake Alum Treatment Project (LESJWA Staff)

Mark Norton informed the Task Force that the Prop 84 grant project has been approved for full funding of \$500,000 by DWR.

Staff followed with a brief update on the Canyon Lake Alum Application, noting that the lake is looking better. Pre-application monitoring was conducted last week as scheduled. Aquatechnex is currently on the lake applying alum in the East Bay.

To assist in sharing information with the public, Aquatechnex has setup a blog page to track the progress of the application. You can follow the Canyon Lake Alum Application on twitter at:

www.canyonlakealum.wordpress.com

It was noted that if you or any of your Board members are interested in a tour of the lake to see the application, Nancy Horton and her husband are offering tours on their personal boat. Please contact Rick Whetsel to schedule a tour.

Draft RFP – Comprehensive Phase 2 Compliance Monitoring Program (LESJWA Staff)

Staff distributed a copy of the Draft RFP requesting proposals from qualified consultants to develop a Comprehensive Phase 2 compliance monitoring program to address requirements of the Lake Elsinore and Canyon Lake nutrient TMDLs.

Staff requested comments by the close of business Friday, February 14th.

The RFP will be mailed out and also made available on LESJWA's webpage on Monday February 17th, along with a copy of the hand out prepared by Tim Moore for the January 14th TMDL Task Force Meeting.

Responses from the RFP are due close of business Friday, March 7th, and will be discussed at the LE&CL TMDL TAC meeting on March 11th.

Task Force Administration

Task Force Agreement (Signature Status)

Staff informed the Task Force that we are still waiting for signature pages from the City of Perris, March JPA and CA Dept of Fish and Wildlife.

Pat Boldt noted a recent conversation with Regional Board staff regarding CA Dept of Fish and Wildlife. Mark Norton and Mark Smythe will follow-up on the issue.

Discussion: Draft FY 2014-15 Task Force Budget

Mr. Uhley reviewed the budget process with stakeholders and then reviewed each line item of the budget.

After a brief discussion, stakeholders recommended to approve the FY 2014-15 Budget with one modification to reduce the Watershed modeling, line item 4A from \$100,000 to \$50,000. A motion was raised and approved unanimously by the Task Force. Mr. Whetsel will mail out a copy of the approved budget to the stakeholders.

Mark Norton informed the stakeholders that LESJWA was anticipating a \$40,000 cost overrun in administration expenses (following the meeting this number was more accurately revised to \$10,000), due to the Task Force ramping up activity and the decrease of funding by LESJWA to support the Task Force effort.

Discussion ensued regarding LESJWA's administration costs, and the need of LESJWA to keep the task force informed on potential cost overruns. Following discussion, stakeholders put forth a motion to hold a workshop to discuss LESJWA staff costs. Additionally, stakeholders requested that LESJWA staff provide quarterly budget updates. The motion was approved unanimously by the Task Force.

Mr. Whetsel will set-up a meeting with stakeholders to form a sub-committee to discuss expenses prior to the next task force meeting scheduled for April.

Other Business

Ms. Boldt commented that the 24 or so dairy operators are being asked to pay \$18, 975 for admin fees on the task force and that attrition will continue. WRCAC will not delay the 2014-15 budget, however, all but three of these dairies fall in the Mystic Lake minimal impact areas of sub-watersheds 7, 8, 9. Also all dairies meet their permit 25 year storm event requirement. The LE/CL Task Force needs to address the minimal players in this area which includes: agriculture, dairy, portions of MS4 permittees: San Jacinto, Hemet, and Moreno Valley prior to the next budget cycle.

Ms. Boldt also passed out the latest copy of the Agrarian.

Mr. Uhley reported that there is no update on the Lake Elsinore aeration system O&M agreement at this time.

Schedule Next Meeting

The next Task Force meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, April 16, 2014 at 1:30 p.m. at SAWPA.

Adjourn

As there was no further business for review, the meeting adjourned at 3:45 p.m.