MEETING SUMMARY

Imported Water Recharge
Technical Committee

February 4, 2014

Signatories to the Cooperative Agreement
City of Corona / EMWD / EVMWD / OCWD / City of Riverside
City of San Bernardino MWD / SGPWA / SBVMWD / WMWD

ATTENDEES
Al Javier, EMWD
Leasa Clealand, WMWD
Greg Woodside, OCWD
Marsha Westropp, OCWD
Johnson Yeh, Geoscience/SBVMWD
Sam Fuller, SBVMWD
Jennifer Shepardson, SBMWD
Rebecca Franklin, SBMWD
John Daverin, EMWD
City of Corona

David Garcia, City of Riverside
City of Riverside
Todd Jorgenson, RPU
Cindy Li, RWQCB
Fakhri Manghi, WMWD
Samantha Adams, Wildermuth Environmental
Mark Norton, SAWPA
Sara Villa, SAWPA
Joe Zoba, YVWD

Call to Order / Introductions
The Imported Water Recharge Technical Committee meeting was called to order at 1:30 p.m. at the Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority at 11615 Sterling Avenue, Riverside, CA. Brief introductions were made.

Review Meeting Summary
The September 23, 2013 meeting summary was deemed acceptable. Amendments were made to add Dennis Williams and the City of Riverside, Michael Plinski and correct Leasa Clealand’s name spelling and affiliation.

Basin Monitoring Program Task Force Report
Mark Norton noted that they invited all the task forces to see how things are shaping up in the area. Work for this year is expected to be completed at the end of fiscal year or June 2018.

The SAWPA Commission has obtained approval from the Basin Monitoring Program Task Force and the SAWPA commission to conduct another SAR wasteload allocation model scenario run, No. 8. New recharge numbers coming from the Seven Oaks Dam will be incorporated into the model run. The completion date is at the end of the calendar year November 2014.

Request for Time Extension for Riverside A-F and Arlington Basins Modeling
David Garcia briefed the stakeholders regarding the previous meeting on how it was decided to keep the deadline. David Garcia noted that a letter was submitted to the Regional Board requesting an extension to July 2015 to complete the modeling. Cindy Li noted that she responded to their letter in an email approving the extension. Greg Woodside noted that their extension will not affect their schedule.

It was asked if their modeling will include the Arlington Basins, David said yes and asked Adoga if it will affect the Temescal Basin and he said no because they are not doing imported water recharge at this time. There was discussion in regards to the language on the agreement and Adoga said he will go back to his management and discuss it and maybe request a time extension.
Review Status of Modeling and Study Updates by Basin
Samantha Adams, WE Inc., reported no change or updates to the groundwater modeling efforts for the Beaumont and Yucaipa basins.

Johnson Yeh reported the status of the Bunker Hill – Rialto/Colton solute transport modeling for the EPA - SBBA Model enhancement. They are refining the model layers and will finish the flow model calibration by June and add the components TDS and Nitrate concentration by the end of August 2014. CH2M HILL just finished and are refining the model based on the existing three models and will be ready by the end of May 2014.

David Garcia of the City of Riverside reported that the City of Riverside has not yet hired a consultant but they are working on a scope with other agencies.

Jennifer Shepardson showed some concern in regards to recharging parties and suggested that the language of the agreement be revisited. Mark noted that David Aladjem and Greg Wilkinson drafted this MOU and he noted that the workgroup could approach them again if there is confusion about the definition of recharging parties. Jennifer stated that there should be a clear understanding and she is taking this back to her legal advisor. The City of Riverside attorney did say that they were not obligated to do it, though they felt it was important to do so because they found value in it, but the question does linger.

John Daverin of EMWD reported on the San Jacinto modeling. He said they are doing a lumped sum parameter model based on their 2002 regional flow model for the current salinity project modeling due this year. EMWD will update the write up submitted for the basin plan amendment for the San Jacinto Upper Pressure Groundwater Management Zone to be consistent with the IWR outline and plan on sharing a draft by the next meeting to share with the group, and then providing it to the Regional Board in July 2014. Additionally, proposals were received this past Thursday for an update to the San Jacinto Groundwater Basin regional flow model (EMWD plans on using this update to the model for the next reporting cycle in six years). They received good responses and are expecting for this flow model update to be done within a year. The regional flow model is being updated with data through 2012.

John reported that they have not recharged water in the San Jacinto River this year and they are waiting on better water quality from MET. Under the worst case scenario they can deliver Colorado River Aqueduct (CRA) water and recharge water into the San Jacinto river area near the Soboba tribal lands. To date they have recharged under obligations with the Soboba Indians close to 15,000 acre feet.

Greg Woodside, OCWD, reported that they are recharging a lot of water and will do their model next year, 2015. They will have a TDS of 50 coming from GWRS and are doing an expansion at GWRS that will lead to a total production of 100 MGD by next year.

It was noted to add to the Agenda for the next meeting that would inform the intention from previous meetings to get some legal opinion and discuss the term “recharging parties”. Cindy stated that she needs to talk to Kurt and her legal counsel. John asked if a management committee “signatories” can get together and discuss. Mark said that if it came to that then they could set the meeting.

Future Meeting
The next IWR Technical Committee Meeting is scheduled for May 29, 2014 at 1:30p.m.

Adjournment
The meeting adjourned at 2:41 p.m.