

**SAN DIEGO RIVER WATERSHED MANAGEMENT AREA  
WATER QUALITY IMPROVEMENT PLAN WORKGROUP**

**MEETING SUMMARY**

**COUNTY OPERATIONS CENTER  
5510 OVERLAND AVE., ROOM 451, SAN DIEGO, CA 92123  
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 10, 2018 10:00-12:00 PM**

**MEETING ATTENDEES**

<b>NAMES</b>	<b>ORGANIZATION</b>	<b>VOTING MEMBER</b>
Jim Harry	City of San Diego	Yes
Cecilia Tipton	City of Santee	Yes
John Phillips	City of El Cajon	Yes
Joe Kuhn	City of La Mesa	Yes
Ruth de la Rosa	County of San Diego	Yes
Joanna Wisniewska	County of San Diego	No
Stephanie Gaines	County of San Diego	No
Roya Yazdanifard	Caltrans	No
Sheri Dister	Weston Solutions	No
Michelle Mattson (Telephone)	Weston Solutions	No
Olin Applegate	Larry Walker Associates	No

**AGENDA ITEM 3: OPPORTUNITY FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO SPEAK ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA (LIMIT TO 3 MINUTES)**

No items were discussed.

**AGENDA ITEM 4: APPROVAL OF MEETING SUMMARIES – VOTING ITEM**

<b>DESCRIPTION</b>	<b>APPROVAL OF SDR MEETING SUMMARY (December 13, 2017)</b>
<b>MOTION</b>	Motion to approve SDR Meeting Summary from December 13, 2017 as amended.
<b>MOTIONED BY</b>	Cecilia Tipton
<b>SECONDED BY</b>	John Phillips
<b>CALL FOR DISCUSSION</b>	None
<b>CALL TO VOTE</b>	Motion Passed [5 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstentions]

**AGENDA ITEM 5: FISCAL YEAR 2018-19 BUDGET – VOTING ITEM**

Ruth updated the group on a change to the FY 2018-19 Budget. Since the last budget discussion in December, \$50,000 has been added as Task 4A Forrester Creek MST Study (As-Needed). Cecilia commented that it was her understanding from the December meeting that the Task 4 money would be set aside for general special studies in the watershed, not special studies dedicated to a specific location. After discussion on the topic it was decided the task would be renamed As-Needed Special Studies

Including Source Investigation. It was discussed that Caltrans also drains into Forrester Creek, but that there is no mechanism to currently share cost. Roya discussed requirements of the Caltrans NPDES permit and different avenues funding could be made possible.

Ruth distributed the scope for Task 3.A Water Quality Monitoring. Slight changes were made to the Bight section, including additional clarification, but there was no change to the budget. Site selection is expected to occur in mid-January.

A vote on the FY 2018-19 budget is not possible today because Jim Harry has to get formal approval from City of San Diego management. Ruth send the FY 2018-19 budget for an email vote later this month.

Ruth is preparing invoices for the current FY 2017-18 that will be sent out towards the end of the month.

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**AGENDA ITEM 6: WATER QUALITY MONITORING UPDATE**

Joanna provided the following water quality monitoring update:

- On January 9, Weston conducted MS4 wet weather monitoring at two stations: MS4-SDR-4 and MS4-SDR-5.
  - Only two sites were monitored to allow Weston field crews the opportunity to monitor other watersheds during the first major rainfall of the year.
  - The MS4-SDR-4 site (City of Santee) was prioritized because the Department of Pesticide Regulation had previously contacted the workgroup expressing interest in a sample representing the first flush from that location.
  - The MS4-SDR-5 site was prioritized (County of SD site) because it requires a large storm to flow.
- Bacteria TMDL dry weather monitoring was conducted on December 13, 2017. Results are provided in **Table 1** below.
  - Joanna notes that although there is an exceedance of *E. coli* at SDR-FC2, the concentration is less than normally observed, which may be attributed to colder weather.
  - It was also discussed that there was no exceedance in Copermittee monitoring at FM-010 (Dog Beach); however, the County Department of Environmental Health (DEH) did have an exceedance this month in their sampling.
    - Cecilia inquires if the Beach Monitoring Program data gets incorporated with the workgroup’s data submittals. Joanna responds that she does not believe it does. Stephanie adds that she will check with Jo Ann Weber (County of San Diego) regarding mentioning the data in the Annual Report.
    - Sheri mentions that DEH data has been used in previous reports, but only to complete a longer period of record for historical trend analysis.
- Wet weather Bacteria TMDL monitoring is scheduled for today, January 10, 2018.

**Table 1. Dry Weather Bacteria Exceedances at San Diego River Sampling Locations**

Site Type	Site ID	12/13/2017
Freshwater Creek Sites	SDR-FC1*	<i>Enterococcus</i>
	SDR-FC2*	<i>Enterococcus</i> and <i>E. coli</i>
	SDR-CDE*	None

	SDR-MLS*	<i>Enterococcus</i> and <i>E. coli</i>
Beach Site	FM-010**	None

\* Freshwater sample results for *Enterococcus* and fecal coliform are compared to MS4 Permit receiving water limitations for creeks, which are consistent with Basin Plan single sample maximum REC-1 water quality objectives for freshwater designated beach.

\*\* Marine sample results compared to MS4 Permit receiving water limitations for beaches, which are based upon California Ocean Plan water quality objectives.

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#### AGENDA ITEM 7: WQIP ANNUAL REPORT

Sheri provided the following WQIP Annual Report update:

- Minor changes have been made to the Executive Summary per City of San Diego comments.
- Weston is accepting comments until January 19.
- The Annual Report will be submitted January 31, and uploaded to the Project Clean Water website soon after.

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#### AGENDA ITEM 8: JURISDICTIONAL UPDATE

- Santee is working with one of the school districts in their jurisdiction that has a persistent flow discharging to their storm drain where exceedances of bacteria and nutrients have been observed. During the past 6 months the school district has communicated minimally with Santee regarding the issue. Cecilia reached out to the Regional Water Board for recommendations, to which they responded only the Universities have been issued their Phase II Permits, and not the high schools, middle schools, or elementary schools. The Water Board will send an informal letter to the school district (using similar terminology to a Cleanup and Abatement order).
- Joe notes that the City of San Diego is carrying out a removal of homeless encampments at an unprecedented rate. Stephanie adds that the Mayor of San Diego has declared that the San Diego River would be clean and free of trash by March 2018.
- Regional Management Committee Meeting occurs on Thursday, January 11. All copermittees are required to vote in person or via phone.
- The CASQA quarterly meeting is also on Thursday, January 11.
- Roger Mitchell is now the Regional Water Board liaison for the San Diego River Watershed Management Area.
- The Ad Hoc Trash Amendments Workgroup has a meeting on Thursday, January 11.

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#### AGENDA ITEM 9: OTHER ITEMS

No other items were discussed.

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#### AGENDA ITEM 10: NEXT RECURRING WORKGROUP MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled for February 14, 2018 from 10 – 12 pm. Agenda items should be sent to Ruth and Olin by Wednesday, February 7<sup>th</sup>.