

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, JULY 10, 2019 10:00-12:00 PM

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MEETING START 10:00

MEETING ATTENDEES

NAME	ORGANIZATION	VOTING MEMBER
Jim Harry	City of San Diego	Yes
Ruth de la Rosa	County of San Diego	No
Joanna Wisniewska	County of San Diego	Yes
Stephanie Gaines	County of San Diego	No
John Phillips	City of El Cajon	Yes
Roya Yazdanifard	Caltrans	No
John Quenzer	D-Max	No
Sheri Dister (telephone)	Weston Solutions	No
Gene Oh	Weston Solutions	No

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

No members of the public were present.

AGENDA ITEM 4: APPROVAL OF MEETING SUMMARIES – VOTING ITEM

The May 22, 2019 meeting summary was brought forward for approval. John Phillips (City of El Cajon) commented about a grammatical edit on page 3, changing “Permit reissuances... w Copermittees will be scheduled...” to “with Copermittees”. The summary was approved as amended.

Stephanie Gaines (County of San Diego) mentioned that some agencies did not put names on the signature page of the MOU, so confirmation is needed about which entities have signed.

DESCRIPTION	APPROVAL OF SDR MEETING SUMMARY (May 22, 2019)
MOTION	Motion to approve SDR Meeting Summary from May 22, 2019 as amended.
MOTIONED BY	John Phillips
SECONDED BY	Joanna Wisniewska
CALL FOR DISCUSSION	None
CALL TO VOTE	Motion Passed [3 Yes, 0 No]

AGENDA ITEM 5: WATER QUALITY MONITORING UPDATE

Joanna Wisniewska (County of San Diego) provided a monitoring update.

- Weston Solutions has completed monitoring at two SMC stations.
- Michelle Mattson (Weston) will provide a Bight follow-up plan update at a later date.
- Ruth de la Rosa (County of San Diego) asked if the follow-up can be scheduled without confirmation of the project approach, and Joanna confirmed it should be OK.
- A decision needs to be made on whether to resample around past sampling locations or conduct a full investigation.
- Michelle (Weston) will present data and inform voting members for discussion and decision making.
- Jim Harry (City of San Diego) requested that Andre and Heather are CCed on any information.

Joanna provided on update about Forester Creek.

- Another round of monitoring has not yet been conducted, but is ongoing this month (including the City of El Cajon) every other Friday.
- John Phillips (City of El Cajon) stated that the homeless presence has increased due to drying of the channel, so escorts are needed.

Joanna provided an update on TMDL monitoring.

- Only three samples were collected in May due to rain.
- The May report has been distributed to the workgroup.
- Results are as expected, with no exceedances at FM-010.
- Geomeans were not calculated since only three samples were collected.
- There were Enterococcus exceedances at the freshwater sites.
- Joanna requested June geomean data from Weston, which was then shared to the group.
 - Expected exceedances of Enterococcus at all sites except the beach site.
 - No follow-ups at this time, and a report will follow.

Ruth asked the group for feedback on the bioassessment field trip.

- Stephanie expressed that it was enjoyable, interesting to see the process, and thought it was a comprehensive overview although she wishes more bugs were observed (species richness).
- Jim stated he was impressed at how much diversity was seen at the site.

AGENDA ITEM 6: WATER QUALITY IMPROVEMENT PLAN ANNUAL REPORT

- The request to the Regional Board for an extension for WQIP adaptive management was approved. An extension was given until January 2022.
- Stephanie confirmed the staggering of updates so all adaptive management and WQIP updates don't flood in at once.

Ruth presented the WQIP schedule. The schedule has 19 items.

- Ruth asked Sheri Dister (Weston Solutions) about the proposal to prepare two drafts instead of three.
- Jim agreed to a later draft, but the City of San Diego would need a mid-December briefing draft for internal review. The January 10th draft would then be circulated for signatures. For the November 11th draft, the City of San Diego can provide a quick one-week turnaround for comments.
- Stephanie suggested moving the entire schedule up roughly two or three weeks, but still only preparing two drafts.

Sheri stated that Weston typically does not have data and information from all parties before the end of October, so special effort would be needed to get everything together for a full first draft. Sheri also stated that typically most comments are provided on the second draft; the County of San Diego clarified that Weston would have more time to put together the draft document.

John Quenzer (D-Max) suggested shortening the commenting period so that comments are submitted before Thanksgiving. Sheri stated that for the November 4th deadline for the first draft, Weston needs information from group earlier. With comments on November 18th, that allows a month to respond to comments and prepare the draft final report. Sheri is comfortable with this.

Schedule items were discussed in detail as follows:

Item 11 – Draft Annual Report.

- Weston's Draft will change from November 11th to 4th and comments from December 6th to November 18th.
- The final report would then be due December 18th.
- Jim thinks there still needs to be some commenting in January because the City needs approval from upper management, so an editorial period is needed.

- Stephanie asked if it would be beneficial to present the “final” draft to the group on December 11th for a quick commenting period before final draft submittal.
- For item 17, January 10th has been changed to December 18th.
- Based on Jim’s input, Sheri believes that the January 22nd due date for feedback should be earlier, and requested that it be moved to January 7th. Then the week of January 13th would be when the “final” final version is provided.
- Comments on the revised version of the schedule are to be received by August 1st.

Item 2 – Jurisdictional strategies and schedules.

- John thinks this needs to be pushed back, as jurisdictions need more time to prepare.
- Ruth is OK with September 15th as the new date.
- Jim stated that the City needs more time, probably until the end of September.
- Sheri stated that Weston wants to make sure they get information from everyone so they can build a comprehensive picture of what’s going on in the watershed as opposed to only highlighting individual jurisdictions.
- Ruth asked Sheri what data are needed; Sheri suggested that the rollup could be activities focused on human sources or common actions such as cleanup events (or stormwater studies, structural BMPs, public works projects) that can be highlighted as a group.
- Jim stated that while end of September is the likely date for all information that will go into Appendix 2 and City specific highlights, they can provide preliminary data that can be tied into a watershed wide story.
- Sheri stated that this is fine, and Ruth confirmed the deadline change from August 30th to September 13th. Sheri will work with the City on items that are needed by this date.

Item 3 - Special studies.

- Ruth clarified this is just a list of special studies for reporting this year in order to have an overall idea of the special studies going into the report and how to organize the special studies section. Scopes of work could be provided if reports are not yet available.

Item 4 - Workgroup meeting.

- The August workgroup meeting (August 14) will include a discussion on the approach to address the Regional Board adaptive management request.
- The group reviewed what items may be discussed in the adaptive management meeting, such as over-irrigation.

Item 5 and 6 - Field screening, persistent flow, and IDDE program.

- These items are due to Weston by the end of September.
- John (City of El Cajon) stated that they should have everything finished.
- Joanna stated that this involves additional work on providing highlights and a summary so it may take a bit longer for the County.

Item 7 - Weston presentation of SMC monitoring, jurisdictional data update, JRMP statistics, and progress to goals.

- John (D-Max) stated that goals would differ from 17-18 FY reporting goals, as we've moved on to the next permit term goals. Discussion is needed regarding how to present goals.
- The group agreed with moving on to the next set of goals.
- Sheri stated that the group should keep in mind that Weston needs time for the report to go through internal review prior to the November 4th draft report submittal deadline, when scheduling information submittals to the consultant team for assessing progress to goals.

Item 8 - JRMP report by October 3rd

- This does not need to be a final version, can be unsigned, and is being requested for use in the rollup of information for watershed highlights.

Item 9 - SDR WMA Workgroup meeting on October 9th

- This conflicts with CASQA, so Ruth will put together a doodle poll for a date change, tentatively October 10-12th.

Item 10 - TMDL report will be out on October 25th.

Item 11 - Draft WQIP Annual report schedule was discussed previously.

Item 12 - SDR Workgroup standing meeting on Nov 13th will include a presentation of the draft report.

Item 13 - Response to comments for Draft WQIP Annual Report

- Ruth stated that Sheri should look at dates relevant to reports and make adjustments to items in between.

Item 14 - SDR Workgroup Standing meeting on Dec 11th will include a discussion of report comments.

Item 15 - Appendix 2 finalization, with the addition of remaining comments on the report.

- Sheri will provide a revised schedule by the end of the week.
- Ruth will send revised schedule to the workgroup.

AGENDA ITEM 7: INVESTIGATIVE ORDER

The County of San Diego and City of San Diego agreed to fund a workplan developed by SCCWRP. They will be putting together an advisory committee, with a final workplan planned for the end of November. The County and City will be developing an MOU and cost share with all parties that agreed to participate. The County will be the administrative lead.

- John (El Cajon) asked if there has been discussion on cost share.
- Ruth stated there will be different cost shares based on MS4 and sewer parties, but it is still being worked out.

AGENDA ITEM 8: JURISDICTION UPDATE

Jim mentioned that the City of San Diego is considering providing the Regional Board staff with Famosa Slough information with the intent of getting confirmation that the WQIP update has been accepted. He stated that the County of San Diego will be kept in the loop regarding all communications. He will also send some suggested comments to the County and Roy (Caltrans) for Project Cleanwater updates.

John (D-Max) discussed communication with Helen at the Regional Board about diazinon monitoring in La Mesa and Santee dry weather outfall monitoring, as they have not observed exceedances in a while (good historical data). Helen stated that not testing for it is fine, despite the 303(d) listing in Eucalyptus Hills Creek (which is not on the main stem). The group may want to think about using this method and rationale for other constituents in other watersheds. Sheri stated that wet weather monitoring of diazinon is being conducted and John confirmed that this is still likely needed.

No updates were given from the City of El Cajon or County of San Diego.

AGENDA ITEM 9: OTHER ITEMS

No other items to note.

AGENDA ITEM 10: NEXT RECURRING WORKGROUP MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled for August 14th from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM.

Meeting end 11:39 AM.