



RUSSIAN RIVER WATERSHED ASSOCIATION
MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
July 23, 2015, 9:00 AM – 11:00 AM
Windsor Town Council Chambers
9291 Old Redwood Highway, Windsor, CA 95492

A G E N D A

A. Call to Order and Introductions

B. Approval of the Agenda

C. Approval of Standing Items:

- Minutes: Feb 26, 2015 and April 23, 2015 Board of Directors Meetings

D. Guest Presentation: *California's Stormwater Initiative* - Mitch Avalon, Contra Costa County

E. Work Plan 2014-15 Wrap-up

- End of Year Work Plan Report (per MOU)

F. Work Plan 2015-16 Kick-off

- Regional Monitoring Program Update and Discussion
 - i. Proposition 1 grant opportunity
- Stormwater Program
 - i. Recent and upcoming training
 - ii. Update of Draft Phase I Permit comments
 - iii. Homeless encampment task force
 - 1. Consider guided tour of creek encampments
- Safe Medicine Disposal Program
 - i. Supreme Court ruling on Alameda case
 - ii. DEA regulation changes
 - 1. Comment letter consideration
 - iii. Potential RRWA legislative action and advocacy discussion
- Outreach
 - i. Environmental Column (see schedule on next page)
 - ii. OWOW Plant Handouts
 - iii. Website and Social Media Campaign – subcommittee formation
 - iv. Creek Care Guide Spanish translation
 - v. 2015-16 Video Contest topic
- North Coast Resources Partnership (NCRP) update

G. Other RRWA advocacy items

- Consider comment letter – HR 813 FORECAST Act
- Comment letter update – AB 1315: Public contracts: water pollution prevention plans: stormwater definition
- Next lunch meeting with NCRWQCB TBD

H. Items of Interest

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I. Public Comment

J. Adjourn

RRWA Calendar Summary:

All meetings are held from 9:00 to 11:00 AM at Windsor Town Council Chambers, 9291 Old Redwood Highway, Windsor, California 95492

Upcoming TWG Meetings	Upcoming Board of Directors meetings
September 8, 2015 October 13, 2015 November 10, 2015 December 8, 2015 February 9, 2016 April 12, 2016 June 14, 2016	September 24, 2015 – Guest Speaker: Lisa Micheli, Executive Director, Pepperwood Preserve – Topic TBD December 10, 2015 - Guest Speaker: North Coast RWQCB Executive Officer Matt St. John – dialogue with RRWA Board
Environmental Columns	
June – Thank you SCWA (Claire Nordlie) – Car Wash Vouchers July – Thank you Windsor (Cristina Goulart) – Cigarette Butts August – Santa Rosa (Staff) – Water Conservation Topics September – Santa Rosa (Staff) – Creek Stewardship October – SCWMA (Lisa Steinman) and Mendocino Co. Staff – Marijuana Growing Operations and Water Quality Impacts November – Healdsburg (Meg Lawrence) – Topic TBD December – Rohnert Park (Eydie Tacata) – Topic TBD	

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Minutes

Directors and Alternates Present

Mark Landman, Chair	City of Cotati
Bob Cox, Vice Chair	City of Cloverdale
Dan Hamburg	County of Mendocino
Efren Carillo	Sonoma County Water Agency
Ann DuBay	Sonoma County Water Agency
Shaun McCaffery	City of Healdsburg
Pam Stafford	City of Rohnert Park
John Eder	City of Sebastopol
Kevin Doble	City of Ukiah
Mark Millan	Town of Windsor

Directors present represented nine of the eleven RRWA member agencies and constituted a quorum.

Additional Attendees

Andy Rodgers	RRWA Executive Director
Daria Isupov	RRWA Staff
Paige Dulberg	RRWA Staff
Will Stockard	County of Sonoma
Henry Mikus	Sonoma County Waste Management Agency
Lisa Steinman	Sonoma County Waste Management Agency
Jennifer Burke	City of Santa Rosa
Teresa Gudino	City of Santa Rosa
Dirk Medema	City of Santa Rosa
Rocky Vogler	City of Santa Rosa
Elizabeth Cargay	Town of Windsor
Paul Piazza	Town of Windsor
Chuck Striplen	SFEI
Brenda Adelman	Russian River Watershed Protection Committee
Bob Andersen	Member of the Public

- A. Call to Order and Introductions** – Board Chair Mark Landman (Cotati) called the meeting to order at 9:02 AM.
- B. Approval of the Agenda** – Mark Landman requested that the Board approve the agenda and the addition of one item to the agenda: RRWA Creek Week – Pollution Prevention Week Proclamation. The agenda with the additional item was approved.
- C. Approval of Standing Items** –
- Minutes from February 26 Board of Directors Meeting were reviewed and approved. Mark Milan (Windsor) abstained from the vote.
 - Minutes from the April 23 Board of Directors Meeting were reviewed and approved. Dan Hamburg (Mendocino County) abstained from the vote.
- D. Guest Presentation: *California's Stormwater Initiative* - Mitch Avalon, Contra Costa County**

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E. Work Plan 2014-15 Wrap-up

- End of Year Work Plan Report
 - High School Video Contest "Water Conservation for Creek Preservation"
 - Our Water Our World (OWOW) in 16 stores in the watershed
 - Russian River Friendly Landscape Guidelines (RRFLG) event with 145 attendees
 - Co-branding with Daily Acts Community Resilience Challenge (Throughout Summer 2015)
 - RRFLG Plant List Handout for OWOW Stores
 - California Stormwater Quality Association (CASQA) conference: RRWA presentation
 - 7th Annual Lake Sonoma Steelhead Festival
 - Stormwater Trainings: Low Impact Development (LID), Best Management Practices (BMPs), and 3 basic stormwater awareness trainings
 - Safe Medicine Disposal Symposium
 - Safe Medicine Disposal Program: more than 20,000 pounds of medicines collected during FY 14-15
- Budget Summary

F. Work Plan 2015-16 Kick-off

- Regional Monitoring Program Update and Discussion
 - At the February 26 Board Meeting, Matt St. John introduced the concept of a regional monitoring program in the Russian River watershed.
 - RRWA Technical Working Group continued the discussion at the April, June and July TWG Meetings.
 - Seeking funding for program start-up
 1. The San Francisco Estuary Institute (SFEI) assisting RRWA with preparation of a grant application on behalf of the co-permittees.
 2. Water Board is applying for state discretionary funds.
- Stormwater Program
 - Recent and upcoming training
 1. LID Training June 11, 2015
 2. BMP Training June 3, 2015
 3. Regional Board is offering free CPESC, CESSWI, and CPSWQ training and testing for municipal and government employees in September.
 - a. Please register by August 23
 - Update of Draft Phase I Permit comments
 1. Comment letter submitted: Draft Phase I Permit
 - Homeless encampment task force - new project
 1. RRWA particularly interested in Pathogen and Trash TMDLs
 2. Santa Rosa has offered to host a guided tour of creek encampments.
- Safe Medicine Disposal Program
 - Review of history of Safe Medicine Disposal Program
 - New interpretation of DEA regulations is changing some take back locations
 - Alameda County developed an ordinance that requires pharmaceutical producers to be responsible for the disposal of pharmaceutical waste
 1. Challenged by PhRMA
 2. Upheld in 9th Circuit
 3. Not heard by Supreme Court (May 2015)
 - Mark Landman requested approval from the Board to submit a letter (draft prepared by RRWA staff) to California Product Stewardship Council along with the sponsorship check.

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1. Dan Hamburg moved to approve the draft letter if the final sentence of the first paragraph was changed to read "*It is our strong belief that companies that manufacture or produce household hazardous materials, especially pharmaceuticals, must take ultimate responsibility in their disposal...*"; John Eder (Sebastopol) seconded. The draft letter was approved. Pam Stafford (Rohnert Park) voted in opposition.
 - Mark Landman requested approval from the Board to develop content for powerpoint presentation on Extended Producer Responsibility in the Russian River watershed; Shaun McCaffery (Healdsburg) moved; Kevin Doble (Ukiah) seconded; there was unanimous approval.
- Outreach
 - Environmental Column (see schedule on next page)
 - RRFLG Plant Handouts displayed in OWOW stores
 - Website and Social Media Campaign – subcommittee formation
 - Creek Care Guide Spanish translation
 - 2015-16 Video Contest topic
 1. RRWA Staff recommend "No Butts, Pick It Up!" topic
 2. Mark Landman requested the Board vote on a topic for the 2016 Video Contest; Pam Stafford (Rohnert Park) moved to use "No Butts, Pick It Up!"; John Eder (Sebastopol) seconded; there was unanimous approval.
 - Creek Week Proclamation
 1. Mark Landman requested that the Board approve RRWA 2015 proclamation of Creek Week and Pollution Prevention Week; Kevin Doble moved; Dan Hamburg seconded: there was unanimous approval.
- North Coast Resources Partnership (NCRP) update
 - Three programs in the Russian River watershed have been recommended for Prop 84 funding

G. Other RRWA advocacy items

- Mark Landman (Cotati) requested that the board consider comment letter (draft prepared by RRWA staff) in support of HR 813: FORECAST Act; Dan Hamburg moved to approve the letter; Pam Stafford seconded; there was unanimous approval.
- Comment letter update – AB 1315: Public contracts: water pollution prevention plans: stormwater definition
 - Letter of opposition was submitted using the between-meeting Guidance Policy for Interim Comment Statements.
- Next lunch meeting with NCRWQCB: TBD

H. Items of Interest

- There were no items of interest

I. Public Comment

- There were no public comments

J. Adjourn – 10:56 AM

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