



RUSSIAN RIVER WATERSHED ASSOCIATION
MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

September 22, 2016

9:00 AM – 11:00 AM

Westside Water Education Center
9703 Wohler Road, Forestville, CA 95436

A G E N D A

- 1. Call to Order and Introductions**
- 2. Approval of the Agenda**
- 3. Approval of Standing Items**
 - a. Minutes: July 28 Board of Directors Meetings
- 4. Russian River Storm Water Resource Management and Regional Monitoring Program**
 - a. Storm Water Resource Plan
 - b. Russian River Regional Monitoring Program (R3MP)
- 5. Board of Director Business**
 - a. Russian River Confluence Update
 - b. Letters of Support submitted between meetings:
 - c. Dry Creek Rancheria – Rancheria Creek Restoration Project
 - d. Mendocino County Resource Conservation District – Forsythe Creek Restoration Project
 - e. Schedule 2017 Meetings
 - f. February 23, April 27, July 27, September 28, December 7 proposed
 - g. Board Chair and Vice Chair Elections will be held December 8
 - h. Next lunch meeting with NCRWQCB staff November 9
 - i. 2017 – 2018 Work Plan development begins October 2016
 - j. CASQA Conference Update
- 6. RRWA Project Updates**
 - a. Safe Medicine Disposal Program
 - i. Sonoma County Board of Supervisors hearing
 - ii. SB 1229
 - b. Russian River Friendly Landscaping Program
 - i. Event for Landscape Professionals, Tuesday, January 24, 2017
 - c. Outreach
 - i. Environmental Column (see schedule below)
 - ii. Creek Week & Pollution Prevention Week
 - iii. Social Media Campaign
 - d. North Coast Resources Partnership (NCRP) update
- 7. Guest Presentation: “Sonoma County Water Agency’s Water Education Program”
Ryan Pedrotti, Sonoma County Water Agency**
- 8. Public Comment**
- 9. Adjourn**
 - a. Optional tour of the SCWA Fish Ladder to follow

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RRWA Calendar Summary:

Unless otherwise noted, meetings are held at Windsor Town Council Chambers, 9291 Old Redwood Highway, Windsor, California 95492

Upcoming TWG Meetings	Upcoming Board of Directors Meetings
October 11, 2016 November 8, 2016 (<i>Location TBD</i>) December 13, 2016 February 14, 2017 April 11, 2017 June 13, 2017	December 8, 2016 – Guest Speaker: North Coast RWQCB Executive Officer Matt St. John – dialogue with RRWA Board
Environmental Columns	
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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
Adriane Garayalde	County of Sonoma
Pam Stafford	City of Rohnert Park
Mark Millan	Town of Windsor

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

Additional Attendees

Andy Rodgers	RRWA Executive Director
Paige Dulberg	RRWA Staff
Sabrina Barron	RRWA Staff
Ryan Pedrotti	Sonoma County Water Agency
Rita Miller	City of Santa Rosa
Rocky Vogler	City of Santa Rosa
Elizabeth Cargay	Town of Windsor
Brenda Adelman	RRWPC

- A. Call to Order and Introductions** – Board Chair Mark Landman (Cotati) called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM.
- B. Approval of the Agenda** – Mark Landman requested that the Board approve the agenda. The agenda was unanimously approved.
- C. Approval of Standing Items:**
- Minutes: July 28 Board of Directors Meeting; Not all Directors present were at the July meeting, consequently a quorum was not present for minute approval.
- D. Russian River Storm Water Resource Management and Regional Monitoring Program**
- Proposition 1 Planning Grant
 - RRWA was awarded a \$500,000 Proposition 1 grant which will be administered by the City of Ukiah.
 - The SWRP and R3MP are two major initiatives of the project.
 - The anticipated project start date is January 2017.
 - Storm Water Resource Plan (SWRP)
 - Efforts are already underway by RRWA staff to catalog existing planning documents throughout the watershed, which will aid in the development of the SWRP.

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- Russian River Regional Monitoring Program (R3MP)
 - i. The North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board was awarded discretionary funding from the State Water Board to fund R3MP development.
 - ii. The San Francisco Estuary Institute (SFEI) will facilitate the development process which is anticipated to start in January 2017.
 - iii. Monies originally flagged in the RRWA Prop 1 proposal for R3MP development will be repurposed to support preparing a watershed wide SWRP.

E. Board of Director Business

- Russian River Confluence Update
 - i. The next leg of the Russian River Confluence will be October 7 – 9. The three-day paddle will take place from Forestville to the headwaters.
 - ii. The paddles on October 8 and October 9 are open to the public.
 - iii. More information can be found on <http://russianriverconfluence.org/>
- Letters of Support submitted between meetings:
 - i. With the review and approval from RRWA Chair and Vice Chair, RRWA Staff submitted two letters of support of two Prop 1 applications:
 - 1. Dry Creek Rancheria – Rancheria Creek Restoration Project
 - 2. Mendocino County Resource Conservation District – Forsythe Creek Restoration Project
- Schedule 2017 BOD Meetings
 - i. The following 2017 dates are proposed: February 23, April 27, July 27, September 28, December 7.
 - ii. Mark Millan (Windsor) suggested moving the July 27 to August 3 to avoid conflict with the International Water Association's 2017 conference.
- Board Chair and Vice Chair Elections will be held December 8
- Next lunch meeting with NCRWQCB staff will be held November 9
- 2017 – 2018 Work Plan development begins October 2016
 - i. RRWA Staff are available for meetings in the fall with any agency that would like help developing the scope of a new proposed project.
- CASQA Conference Update
 - i. Andy Rodgers (RRWA Executive Director) and Daria Isupov (RRWA Staff) attended the 2016 Annual California Stormwater Quality Association (CASQA) conference in San Diego September 12 – 14. Their conference fees were paid by West Yost Associates.

F. RRWA Project Updates

- Safe Medicine Disposal Program
 - i. Sonoma County Board of Supervisors hearing
 - 1. An informational presentation about an ordinance for extended producer responsibility for household medicines is scheduled for the Sonoma County Board of Supervisors on October 4, 2016.
 - ii. SB 1229
 - 1. SB 1229 was signed by Governor Brown on August 29, 2016. It establishes a duty of care for pharmacies that host drug take-back bins, and provides limited liability coverage for if the pharmacies follow the duty of care.

2. The California Product Stewardship Council (CPSC) sponsored this bill to address pharmacist concerns about liability associated with programs like the Safe Medicine Disposal Program.
- iii. California Board of Pharmacy
 1. There is a hearing today, September 22, to review comments on the draft regulations concerning Prescription Drug Take Back programs.
- iv. Close to Home Editorial
 1. Mark Landman (Cotati) reported that he and James Gore (County of Sonoma) collaborated on an editorial about the Safe Medicine Disposal program and an Extended Producer Responsibility Ordinance. The draft will be made available to other member agencies for adoption and distribution to local papers.
- Russian River Friendly Landscaping Program
 - i. Please save the date! The 2017 Event for Landscape Professionals will be held Tuesday, January 24, 2017 at the City of Santa Rosa's Utility Field Office. The theme of the event is "Supply in the Sky: Storm Water as a Resource." The event is free and open to the public.
- Outreach
 - i. Environmental Column (see schedule below)
 - ii. Creek Week & Pollution Prevention Week
 1. Creek Week is September 17 – 25.
 2. Successful clean up events are taking place throughout the watershed.
 3. Mark Landman recommend a future discussion topic to develop RRWA as a regional coordinator for future creek clean-ups.
 - iii. Social Media Campaign
 1. RRWA Facebook and Instagram channels launched August 1, 2016.
- North Coast Resources Partnership (NCRP) update
 - i. The next meeting of the NCRP will be held on October 21 in Lolita.

**G. Guest Presentation: "Sonoma County Water Agency's Water Education Program"
Ryan Pedrotti, Sonoma County Water Agency**

- The Sonoma County Water Agency (SCWA) has a comprehensive water education program available to SCWA's water contractors, including:
 - i. Free educational materials (provided to 30,609 students in 2015/16);
 - ii. Direct instruction to kindergarten, third grade, fifth/sixth grade, and high school students (8,090 students in 2015/16);
 - iii. ZunZun, a musical watershed assembly;
 - iv. Student contests, such as the RRWA High School Video Contest; and
 - v. Teacher lending library and teacher workshops.
- The program is designed to help educators teach students the value of water as an important natural resource and do promote water conservation and stewardship of local watersheds.

H. Public Comment

- Brenda Adelman provided a public comment thanking SCWA for extending the public comment period on the Draft EIR for Fish Flows.

I. Adjourn

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