

RUSSIAN RIVER WATERSHED ASSOCIATION MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

July 27, 2017 9:00 AM – 11:00 AM

Windsor Town Council Chambers 9291 Old Redwood Highway, Windsor, CA 95492

AGENDA

- A. Call to Order and Introductions
- B. Approval of the Agenda
- C. Approval of Standing Items
 - a. Minutes: April 27 Board of Directors Meeting
- **D. Guest Presentation:** "Monitoring Data and the Contaminant Data Display and Download (CD3) tool" Will Stockard, County of Sonoma
- E. Natural Resource Conservation Initiatives in the Russian River Watershed
 - Guest Presentation: "Sonoma County Venture Conservation overview"
 Sara Press, Sonoma County Agriculture Preservation and Open Space District
 - b. Prop 1 Stormwater Resource Plan (SWRP) update
 - c. Russian River Regional Monitoring Program (R3MP) update
 - d. Russian River Geographic Response Plan (RRGRP)

F. Board of Director Business

- a. Update on May 18 Presentation to the NCRWQCB
- b. RRWA/NCRWQCB quarterly lunch meeting in August
- c. North Coast Resources Partnership (NCRP) update
- d. Legislation Developments
 - i. SB231
 - ii. SB5
 - iii. AB18

G. 2016-2017 Work Plan Wrap-up

a. Budget summary reports will be sent by month end

H. 2017-2018 Work Plan Kickoff

- a. Planning for Key Projects
- b. Stormwater Program
 - i. Consider Creek Week & Pollution Prevention Week Proclamation, see attached
 - ii. CoPermittee support
- c. Safe Medicine Disposal Program
- d. Russian River-Friendly Landscape Program
 - i. LID Event in September
 - ii. S4 Brochure development
- e. Outreach
 - i. Consider 2017-2018 Video Contest topic
 - ii. Website and Social Media Campaign
- I. Items of Interest
- J. Public Comment

K. Adjourn

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DRAFT MINUTES

Directors and Alternates Present

Mark Landman, Chair
Mark Millan, Vice Chair
Pam Stafford
Melanie Bagby
Kevin Doble
Adriane Garayalde
City of Cotati
Town of Windsor
City of Rohnert Park
City of Cloverdale
City of Ukiah
County of Sonoma

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

Additional Attendees

Andy Rodgers RRWA Executive Director

Christina Leung RRWA Staff

Rita Miller City of Santa Rosa
Teresa Gudino City of Santa Rosa

Chuck Striplen NCRWQCB

Ann DuBay Sonoma County Water Agency

Will Stockard Sonoma County
Elizabeth Cargay Town of Windsor

Sara Press Sonoma County Agriculture Preservation and

Open Space District

Brenda Adilman RRWPC

- A. Call to Order and Introductions Board Chair Mark Landman (Cotati) called the meeting to order at 9:07 AM.
- **B. Approval of the Agenda –** Mark Millan moved that the Board approve the agenda. No one abstained. The agenda was approved.
- C. Approval of Standing Items
 - a. Minutes: April 27 Board of Directors (BOD) Meeting
 - i. The Board unanimously approved the minutes from the April 27 BOD Meeting.
- D. Guest Presentation: "Monitoring Data and the Contaminant Data Display and Download (CD3) tool" Will Stockard, County of Sonoma
 - a. Will Stockard presented the data management tool on the CD3 website live at: http://cd3.sfei.org/. The data management tool was created by SFEI to keep track of monitoring points currently in California. The tool can select areas of interest through hydrologic unit code boundaries, habitat features, or select points. The tool is still being developed. Data is regularly updated and occasionally requires quality control and formatting. The data management tool allows comparisons of jurisdictions and regions to evaluate water quality concerns. Handout provided: Visualization Tools.

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E. Natural Resource Conservation Initiatives in the Russian River Watershed

- a. Guest Presentation: "Sonoma County Venture Conservation overview"
 Sara Press, Sonoma County Agriculture Preservation and Open Space District
 - i. Sara Press presented Phase 1: Regional Conservation Partnership Program (RCPP) of the Sonoma County Venture Conservation (SCVC). The SCVC is funded by a grant with the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) for 5 years, and has a long-term goal to maintain and enhance working natural lands to withstand drought and climate change. The RCPP focuses on agricultural lands working with voluntary land owners to determine potential conservation easements. The next step is to finalize the screening and ranking criteria with the NRCS to determine which projects will get funding.
- b. Andy Rodgers provided an overview and update on the Prop 1 Storm Water Resource Plan (SWRP) project. The preparation of the SWRP started May 10. The completed tasks to date include 7 planning submittals, website launch, SharePoint site launch, public meetings, TWG and collaborator coordination, and review of projects received to date. The BOD was updated on the next steps for the SWRP, and past and future meetings.
- c. Andy Rodgers provided an update on the R3MP project. The San Francisco Estuary Institute (SFEI) is creating a data management tool (as mentioned in Will Stockard's presentation) and completing stakeholder interviews to determine the issues that are important to them.
- d. Andy Rodgers provided an update on the RRWA support of the MS4 Stormwater Permit compliance, including:
 - 1. The Trash Implementation report is going through its final edits from the Member Agencies. Draft summary graphs of the assessment items were presented to the BOD.
 - 2. The Ethnic Communities Outreach report is being completed.
- e. Andy Rodgers announced an overview of the Russian River Geographic Response Plan (RRGRP) which is an effort by the California Department of Fish and Wildlife: Office of Spill Prevention and Response (OSPR) that went through the EPA, Sonoma County office of Emergency Services, and the Sonoma County Water Agency. The Russian River was chosen by the OSPR for the first planning cycle. They are gathering information to develop initial response and potential management in the occurrence of a major spill in the Russian River. OSPR is looking for key contacts along the Russian River and available resources.

F. Board of Director Business

- a. Andy Rodgers gave an overview of the May 18 NCRWQCB presentation he co-presented with Mark Landman and Mark Milan on current and planned RRWA initiations including the High School Video Contest videos, Safe Medicine Disposal, Russian River-Friendly Landscaping, Low Impact Design trainings, SWRP, R3MP, and new programs for the year 2017-2018.
- b. Andy Rodgers reported the next quarterly lunch meeting with the NCRWQCB is scheduled for August 29.
- c. Andy Rodgers announced new information on the North Coast Resources Partnership (NCRP). Grant Davis was recently appointed Director Department of Water Resources, along with a new DWR chief for the IRWM Financial Assistance Branch.

d. Legislation Developments

- i. Andy Rodgers gave an overview of SB231, which allows local governments to charge fees to finance projects capturing stormwater the same way they finance projects for sewer water, trash collection and water delivery systems. The SB231 support letter from the RRWA was sent on July 16.
- ii. Andy Rodgers reported on the status of SB5 and AB18. Many organizations have submitted letters and a deadline has been set to amend the letters to the bill.

G. 2016-2017 Work Plan Wrap-up

- a. Andy Rodgers announced the budget summary reports will be sent out Mid-August.
- b. Andy Rodgers reported the Russian River-Friendly Landscape Program event earlier this year had a full house. Maintenance mini-guides, residential flyers, and brochures in English and Spanish were made and are available on the RRWA website at: http://www.rrwatershed.org/project/russian-river-friendly-landscape-guidelines/
- c. Andy Rodgers reported that the Sonoma County Ordinance Collaborative under the Safe Medicine Disposal Program is moving forward. The ordinance asks for the convenience standard to be adjusted and, along with a law-enforcement location, a non-law enforcement location be required. It also asks for the locations that distribute medicine to also take in medicine for disposal. The RRWA will keep track and monitor feedback. Andy Rodgers also updated the BOD on a hauler transition that has been taking place because of Board of Pharmacy policy changes.
- d. Andy Rodgers announced the Stormwater Activities Summary Table will be sent out in August.
- e. Andy Rodgers reported on the different types of outreach that occurred in the 2016-2017 Work Plan year.
 - Website and social media: Facebook, Instagram, and YouTube channels launched in August 2016 and continue to be updated with the goals of increasing awareness of RRWA and the RRWA website.
 - ii. The Steelhead Festival, which RRWA sponsors, occurred February 11 at the Lake Sonoma Don Fish Hatchery had more than 7,000 attendees.
 - iii. The Annual High School Video Contest awards ceremony occurred at the last BOD Meeting April 23.

H. 2017-2018 Work Plan Kickoff

- a. Andy Rodgers announced a social media report will be presented in September.
- b. The BOD approved a Creek Week & Pollution Prevention Week Proclamation.
- c. Andy Rodgers announced a LID training event will take place in September.
- d. A Slow it. Spread it. Sink it. Store it! (S4) brochure will be developed and translated in Spanish.
- e. The BOD approved the new 2017-2018 Video Contest topic, "From the Street to the Creek, Be a Part of the Pollution Solution!" The BOD also discussed giving students more information such as the trash assessment reports, guidelines, and examples of ways to participate, such as the app Litterati.

I. Items of Interest

a. Melanie Bagby (Cloverdale) mentioned she was very concerned the TWG was discussing possibly adjusting the RRWA workplan formulas, which would change the long-standing MOU. She said the formulas have worked well for years and she would be strongly opposed to changes. Kevin Doble (Ukiah) suggested to have the BOD consider directing the TWG to not spend further time evaluating formula

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- changes. The BOD asked RRWA staff to bring this forward again if changes are being contemplated.
- b. The Potter Valley relicensing project was discussed and it was suggested that Mark Milan, Vice Chair, participate in the process and update the BOD at future meetings.

J. Public Comment

a. Bob Legge from the Russian Riverkeeper expressed his gratitude for sponsorship of past Creek Cleanups and summarized the amounts of trash collected by volunteers is expected to be larger this year.

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