



RUSSIAN RIVER WATERSHED ASSOCIATION
TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP MEETING
November 14, 2017, 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM
Windsor Town Council Chambers
9291 Old Redwood Highway, Windsor, CA 95492

A G E N D A

1. Greetings and Introductions

- TWG October 14 meeting canceled due to fires
- Review Agenda

2. North Bay Fires: Updates, Collaborations, and Next Steps

- Watershed Emergency Response Team
- Watershed Collaborative
- Russian River Watershed Pilot for California Water Plan
- SWRP Agency and Entity coordination
- Public messaging
- How else can RRWA help?

3. Update on the September 28 Board of Directors Meeting

- Summary of Guest Presentation: "Russian River Watershed Pilot for the California Water Plan: Moving Toward a Watershed-Based Planning, Regulation, Governance and Finance System" Charles Gardiner, California Forward
- Board Chair and Vice Chair elections will be held December 14 (Meeting moved from December 7)
- Sonoma County Safe Medicine and Sharps Disposal Ordinance
- Creek Week/Pollution Prevention Week update

4. Stormwater Program

- CASQA Conference update
- Trash Assessment report
- Laguna MRP report
- Spanish Language outreach implementation
- Child outreach implementation
- LID Training: date TBD
- LID Manual outreach
- CoPermittee updates

5. 2018-2019 Work Plan

- Timeline for development and adoption
- Review and discussion of projects and initiatives
 - Executive Director Services
 - General Benefit
 - Special Benefit

6. Russian River Storm Water Resources Plan

- Milestones update
- Schedule update
- TAC meeting #3: November 13
 - Test revisions of EC & Relative Importance
 - Adopt Final Evaluation Methodology & Prioritization
- R3MP update

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7. Safe Medicine Disposal

- County and Agency staff September 12 BOS presentation update
 - Comment letter to Board of Supervisors regarding inclusion of sharps
- National Prescription Drug Take-Back Day: October 28

8. Additional Updates

- SB231 signed by Governor Brown, October 6
- Update Webinar Santa Clara County 50-year water resource plan, September 19
- Social Media campaign 1-year metrics
- TWG SharePoint Site
- NCRP Policy Review Panel & Technical Peer Review Committee Quarterly Meeting: October 20 canceled. Rescheduled to January 19

9. Forum and Advocacy

- Quarterly NCRWQCB meeting TBD late October early November
 - Regional permit fee discussion
 - Water Quality Credit Trading Program public comment period closed
 - Scheduled for Board hearing on December 13 - Postponed
 - October 25 and 26 SWRCB meeting
 - Climate change agenda item
- CEC Monitoring Water Board workshop in early 2018
- Triennial Review workshop - January/February timeframe
- Pathogen TMDL scheduled for Board hearing December 13 - Postponed

10. Future Meetings and Agenda Items (see schedule below)

11. Items of Interest

12. Public Comment

13. Adjourn

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SUMMARY NOTES

1. Greetings and Introductions

Andy Rodgers – RRWA	Nazareth Tesfai – SCWA
Colleen Hunt – RRWA	Pat Gothard – SCWA
Christina Leung – RRWA	Ann Dubay – SCWA
Eric Janzen – City of Cloverdale	Will Stockard – Sonoma County PRMD
Anwar Mirza – City of Cotati	Elizabeth Cargay – Town of Windsor
Dirk Medema – City of Healdsburg	Cristina Goulart – GHD for Town of Windsor
Angela Beran – City of Rohnert Park	Adriane Garayalde – RR Confluence
Nick Bennett – City of Rohnert Park	Chuck Striplen – NCRWQCB
Rick Seanor – City of Ukiah	Steve Kovans – Carlile Macy

2. North Bay Fires: Updates, Collaborations, and Next Steps

- Watershed Emergency Response Team
 - Andy Rodgers (RRWA) introduced the response efforts managed by Cal Fire. Ann Dubay (SCWA) informed the TWG that Phase 1 is complete and will be released soon. It is unsure whether Phase 2 efforts will occur as it has not yet been approved. SCWA has 11 sites that are being monitored for baseline conditions throughout winter. More information can be provided by Chuck Striplen or the SCWA.
- Watershed Collaborative
 - The Board of Supervisors asked the Sonoma County Agricultural Preservation and Open Space District to convene a collaborative to prepare a report of the short-term priorities and long-term strategies for natural and working lands. Five subcommittees have been formed and working on a report due before the end of 2017.
- Russian River Watershed Pilot for California Water Plan
 - The DWR has identified the Russian River watershed as a pilot for the California water plan. This gives the RRWA an opportunity to showcase our collaborative success and influence the state plan.
 - A draft of the water plan is projected to be prepared this year. DWR is hosting a second pilot meeting on December 11.
- SWRP Agency and Entity coordination
 - RRWA will be adding a narrative in the SWRP to recognize fire adapted landscape and serve as a placeholder for fire preparation and recovery projects.
- Public messaging
- How else can RRWA help?

3. Update on the September 28 Board of Directors Meeting

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- Sonoma County Safe Medicine and Sharps Disposal Ordinance
- BOS item expected in January 2018
- Creek Week/Pollution Prevention Week update
 - The group reported 462 participants in Sonoma and Mendocino Counties.
 - Over 27,000 pounds of refuse was collected from the river. That averages to 58.5 pounds per person.

4. Stormwater Program

- Co-Permittee updates
 - The Co-Permittees announced that they will be applying for a blanket extension of stormwater compliance due dates with the Water Board due to the fire recovery efforts.
- CASQA Conference update
 - In depth CASQA updates will be on the agenda for the next TWG meeting.
- Trash Assessment report
 - The Trash Assessment is in the process of an informal review with our water board. However, Colleen Hunt will provide feedback at next TWG meeting.
- Laguna MRP report
 - RRWA hosted a webinar launch last week providing data tables and instructions for the Co-Permittees to provide required information.
 - RRWA will assist Co-Permittees as needed.
- Spanish Language outreach implementation
 - Spanish Language outreach will be included in the blanket extension.
 - RRWA is ready to assist the Co-Permittees upon receipt of direction.
- Child outreach implementation
 - Child outreach will be included in the blanket extension.
- LID Training: date TBD
 - Due to the fire recovery, Heaven Moore will likely not have time to lead the LID training this work plan year.
 - The SCWA is updating a flood control design manual that will be unveiled to staff and agencies in February 2018.
 - To prevent confusion between the SCWA flood control design manual and the low impact development updates, it was suggested that the LID training be held toward the end of the work plan year.

5. 2018-2019 Work Plan

- Timeline for development and adoption
 - A TWG meeting will be scheduled for January 9 (normally a skip month)
 - This meeting will be exclusively for the Work Plan development as February 22 is a hard deadline for the Board of Directors.
- Review and discussion of projects and initiatives
 - Executive Director Services
 - General Benefit
 - Special Benefit
 - TWG discussed the RRFL event. Ann DuBay of SCWA suggested using this event to focus on land scaping efforts for fire damaged areas and fire-safe landscaping.

- It was suggested that the RRWA lead the child outreach efforts as the City of Santa Rosa does not have the capacity due to the recovery efforts.
- Deadline for Work Plan feedback is November 22.

6. Russian River Storm Water Resources Plan

- Milestones update
- Schedule update
- TAC meeting #3: November 13
 - Test revisions of Evaluation Criteria & Relative Importance
 - Adopt Final Evaluation Methodology & Prioritization
 - SWRP will include a Prop 1-aligned project list (storm water capture) and a list of eligible projects that meet SWRP guidelines criteria, but not Prop 1 implementation criteria.

7. Safe Medicine Disposal

- County and Agency staff presented to the BOS on September 12
 - RRWA comment letter is being prepared to the BOS regarding support for the ordinance and inclusion of sharps
- National Prescription Drug Take-Back Day: October 28
 - Results:
 - Total Law Enforcement Participation: 4,274
 - Total Collection Sites: 5,321
 - Total Weight Collected: 912,305 lbs. (456 Tons)

8. Additional Updates

- SB231 signed by Governor Brown, October 6
- Santa Clara County 50-year water resource plan Webinar, September 19
- RRWA presented Social Media campaign's 1-year metrics
- RRWA asked for feedback regarding TWG SharePoint Site. SCWA still having firewall challenges accessing the site.
- NCRP Policy Review Panel & Technical Peer Review Committee Quarterly Meeting: October 20 canceled and rescheduled for January 19

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 - RRWA has continued the conversation with NCRWQCB on developing a regional permit fee as an incentive to collaborate. This is also being promoted in the California Water Plan pilot.
 - Water Quality Credit Trading Program public comment period closed
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 - October 25 and 26 SWRCB meeting included a climate change agenda item. RRWA staff did not attend.
- Constituents of Emerging Concern (CEC) Monitoring Water Board workshop will be scheduled in early 2018.
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