



RUSSIAN RIVER WATERSHED ASSOCIATION
TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP MEETING
September 11, 2018, 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**
 - Review Agenda
- 2. Update on July 26 Board of Directors Meeting**
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 - SWRP adopted by the Board
 - Video contest theme selected
- 3. 2018/2019 Work Plan Revisions**
 - Co-Permittee Meeting Facilitation
- 4. 2019/2020 Work Plan Kick-Off**
 - RRWA organizational Venn diagram
 - Timeline for development and adoption
 - Discussion of potential new projects and initiatives
 - Executive Director Services
 - General Benefit
 - Special Benefit
- 5. Storm Water Program Updates**
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 - Stormwater Phase I Support-Training
 - Regional Permit Fee proposal
- 6. Regional Monitoring Program (R3MP)**
 - R3MP- Steering Committee meeting #3 August 21
- 7. Russian River Storm Water Resource Management (SWRP)**
 - October 19 (Weaverville area) NCRP meeting targeted for SWRP adoption
- 8. CASQA**
 - Group Membership
 - Conference October 15-17
 - RRWA October conference presentation

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- DWR Water Plan Pilot Project
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- Resource Legacy Fund

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- Preliminary list of interested speakers and panelists

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SUMMARY NOTES

1. Greetings and Introductions

Andy Rodgers – RRWA	Jenifer Piccinini – City of Santa Rosa
Colleen Hunt – RRWA	Henry Mikus – City of Sebastopol
Rick Seanor – City of Ukiah	Oriana Hart – Permit Sonoma
Eric Janzen – City of Cloverdale	John Mack – Permit Sonoma
Craig Scott – City of Cotati	Sandi Potter – Town of Windsor
Curt Bates – City of Healdsburg	Elizabeth Cargay – Town of Windsor
Nick Bennett – City of Rohnert Park	Brendan Thompson – NCRWQCB
Heaven Moore – City of Santa Rosa	Adriane Garayalde – RR Confluence
Teresa Guidino – City of Santa Rosa	Bob Legge – Russian Riverkeeper
Nick Sudano – City of Santa Rosa	

- Review Agenda

2. Update on July 26 Board of Directors Meeting

- Sonoma County Safe Medicine and Sharps Disposal Ordinance
 - Ad Hoc formed to review and comment on legislation
 - RRWA included on a CPSC drafted sign-on support letter
- SWRP adopted by the Board
- Video contest theme selected: “Litter to Zero, be a Water Hero”

3. 2018/2019 Work Plan Revisions

- Co-Permittee Meeting Facilitation: add 12 hours for Colleen to facilitate the RRWA meeting.
 - The work plan can either be revised to add the 12 hours or the 12 hours can be repurposed from a different work plan item.

4. 2019/2020 Work Plan Kick-Off

- RRWA draft organizational Venn diagram
- Timeline for development and adoption
 - September 11: Kick-off
 - October 9: TWG develops project list
 - November 13: TWG refines project list
 - December 6: BOD reviews draft scope, provides approval to proceed
 - December 11: TWG operating budgets due; TWG to review the draft budget
 - January 2019: Andy meets with individual members (optional)
 - February 12: TWG reviews the final work plan
 - February 28: BOD considers work plan for approval
- Discussion of potential new projects and initiatives
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Andy suggested during this work plan we look at longer term goals. The work plan will need to clarify the roles and responsibilities of RRWA, specifically around Confluence and R3MP. He noted there should be a discussion of projects that are no longer of value.

Nick S. (Santa Rosa) suggested the following projects be added to the next work plan:

- CASQA block membership-general benefit;
- Colleen meeting facilitation time, including work plan and other areas of facilitation;
- Public effectiveness assessment;
- Offsite LID mitigation proposal support; helping to polish the final deliverable; and
- Colleen to provide regional outreach coordination including identifying regional event opportunities and coordinating participation with member agencies.

Heaven (Santa Rosa) suggested the following project be added to the work plan:

- Coordination of events and training;
- Continue with grant alerts;
- Representation member agencies at CASQA groups. Santa Rosa would like to review the committees and provide input on which committees RRWA attends. Would like RRWA to report out on CASQA committee meetings; Colleen mentioned this could be done under the current work plan;
- Linking with the Board of Directors and the TWG to provide more input to the Board. Make the relationship more valuable;
- Add time for RRWA to support subcommittees; and
- RRWA to comment on the draft permit.

Eric (Cloverdale) asked Andy about the intent with longer term projects. Seems outside the scope of permit compliance. Nick S. (Santa Rosa) responded that the idea was to look more into the future of what is due in the permit and having more longer-term planning with future deliverables.

Nick S. (Santa Rosa) suggested RRWA be available to synthesize regional data like from the sediment work plan and other future special studies.

Nick B. (Rohnert Park) in favor of RRWA facilitating subcommittees.

Henry (Sebastopol) in favor of having the RRWA involved in the MS4 permit renewal process.

John (Sonoma County) asked if there are existing longer-term goals now. Andy (RRWA) said not presently, but we could identify goals that are beyond one year where it makes sense.

Craig (Cotati) would like RRWA to follow SB231.

Elizabeth (Windsor) suggested coordinating Laguna data to support regional efforts. Use the RRWA calendar more. Heaven (Santa Rosa) suggested that all RRWA projects should be reflected on the calendar.

Heaven (Santa Rosa) asked Andy to make sure he is representing each agency at R3MP meetings if direct participation is not possible.

5. Storm Water Program Updates

- Activities Table – Complete
- Trash Implementation Plan Template - Almost done, pending member agency input
- Regional Collaborative Outreach Summary - Complete
- Laguna Monitoring and Reporting Plan (MRP) - Data due to Colleen November 1
- Spanish Language Outreach
- Children Outreach implementation-input needed
 - Coloring placements to give out to restaurants
 - Water conservation, ask for water, save water
 - RRWA banner
- Co-Permittee updates
 - Santa Rosa developed and distributed copies of new brochures for construction and vacant lots
- Stormwater Phase I Support - Training
 - Elizabeth (Windsor) suggested municipal inspection training
 - Nick S. (Santa Rosa) need LID training by the end of this year
- Regional Permit Fee proposal
 - RRWA to talk with State Board fee group. Meeting being scheduled.

6. Regional Monitoring Program (R3MP)

- R3MP - Steering Committee meeting #3 August 21
 - Andy (RRWA) The SC is starting to discuss management questions, SFEI is grouping all the ideas that were discussed.
 - Heaven (Santa Rosa) asked that as management questions are defined, make sure the answers to the questions have real value.
 - Andy (RRWA) is planning to bring management questions to TWG once drafted. Andy will set up an R3MP SharePoint.

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- Group Membership-RRWA is pursuing more information
- Conference October 15-17
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- Russian River Confluence
 - Adrienne (Confluence) is drafting the work plan, but it is slow going
- DWR Water Plan Pilot Project
 - Structure and staff
 - Funding and initiatives
 - Andy (RRWA) indicated previous plan is coming together. A draft will be shared when available.
- Resource Legacy Fund - Meeting October 18. Andy (RRWA) noted they do provide capacity funding, which is rare. Heaven (Santa Rosa) is interested in having more funding for R3MP project implementation.

10. Russian River-Friendly Landscaping Program

- July Subcommittee meeting
- Preliminary list of interested speakers and panelists
 - Event is February 5
 - Next meeting is September 13 - Add John Mack to the invite.

11. Safe Medicine Disposal Program

- Operations and Collaborative Committee meeting updates
- Sonoma County Safe Drugs and Sharps Disposal Ordinance hearing scheduled for September 8 - Changed to October 9
 - Letter of Support
- SB 212 -Andy (RRWA) indicated that the state-wide program for pharmaceuticals will pay for safe meds collection and disposal, but it is more diluted than the proposed Sonoma County ordinance. Convenience standards are also diluted; however, it does include a mail-back program. Cal Recycle will develop and oversee the program, but it will be a three-year role out. Sandy (Windsor) asked if we could expand the mail-back program in the interim? Andy (RRWA) is supportive of updating the program as needed in the meantime, however it is at the cost of the member agencies.
 - Comment letters sent on SB212

12. Grant Opportunities

- Fish and Wildlife Environmental Enhancement Fund - November 16
- Coming soon:
 - State Water Board Prop 1 Storm Water
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 - John (Sonoma County) said the County recently enrolled in the 5C program, but doesn't have the system mapped or inventoried, which is required for the program. The County is searching for funding to accomplish this.
 - Heaven (Santa Rosa) - FEMA hazard mitigation funding. Flood mapping grants are available

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- Water Supply Summary
- o Santa Rosa will take November-rain ready.
- o Windsor-January, no topic selected.
- o County of Sonoma is willing to talk about groundwater in March/April.
- o December-RRWA for holiday waste, Henry (Sebastopol) suggested Recology and zero waste.

14. Forum and Advocacy

- Creek Week/Pollution Prevention Week
 - o Windsor is having an event at Pool Creek behind Walmart
 - o Santa Rosa - Laguna wastewater treatment plant, September 22 from 10am to 2pm.
 - o Sonoma Marin Water Saving Partnership is having an event September 29
 - o Take the Watershed Temperature Day - Discussed as an R3MP/Confluence project. Andy (RRWA) acknowledged the event should not have been branded RRWA without coming to the TWG first.
- Potter Valley letter of interest is a high priority item of the Board
- State-wide bacteria objective adopted - Colleen to send specifics to the TWG group.
- SB231 update - CASQA formed a subcommittee on SB231 and is following the initial law suit regarding the new definition of including storm drains as a utility. CASQA anticipates the process may take up to five years.
- Water Board update - RRWA will be presenting to the Regional Water Board at the November hearing
- Regional Water Board topics of interest
 - o Triennial Review - Consideration of Adoption Hearing September 6
 - o Post-Fire Debris Management in Sonoma and Mendocino Counties Hearing September 6
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 - Envisioned as a future storm water compliance framework
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 - o Social Media performance This item was not discussed, will be presented at the next TWG

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Mtich Avalon will be invited to present at the October TWG on the new stormwater legislation proposal related to transportation plans.

17. Public Comment

Bob (Russian Riverkeeper) thanked the group for the sponsorships for Creek Week and clean up events. They have 100 cubic yards of dumpster space on hand. Riverkeeper is also partnering with Ukiah, Windsor, and Cloverdale for Creek Week.

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