



RUSSIAN RIVER WATERSHED ASSOCIATION
MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
September 27, 2018
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

- a. Minutes: July 26 Board of Directors Meeting

D. Project Updates

- a. Outreach
 - i. Social Media outreach performance update
 - ii. Environmental Column
 - iii. Student Video Contest – Topic selected!
 - iv. Russian River-Friendly Landscaping Program – February 5, 2019 event planning
- b. Trash
 - i. Trash Implementation Plan template
 - ii. Best Management Practices menu
- c. Stormwater outreach to children

E. Regional Updates

- a. Russian River Confluence
 - i. Take the Watershed Temperature Day September 15
 - ii. Economic Forum
 - iii. October paddle
- b. R3MP
- c. DWR Russian River Pilot for California Water Plan Update 2018
- d. Regional Permit Fee
- e. Resource Legacy Fund

F. Guest Presentation: Bert Whitaker, Director, Sonoma County Regional Parks, “Sonoma County Parks Improvement, Water Quality and Fire Safety Measure”

G. Board of Directors Business

- a. Update: Creek Week/Pollution Prevention Week events September 15-22
- b. 2019/2020 Work Plan development begins October 2018
- c. RRWA/RWQCB quarterly lunch meeting August 22
 - i. Russian River Pathogen TMDL-November Hearing
 - ii. RRWA Presentation to RWB -November Hearing
 - iii. Next meeting in October TBA
- d. Safe Medicine Disposal update
 - i. SB 212
 - ii. Sonoma County ordinance
- e. 2018/2019 Work Plan Revisions
 - i. Co-Permittee meeting facilitation

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- f. BOD 2018 meeting schedule
 - i. December 6, 2018
 - ii. February 28, 2019
 - iii. May 23, 2019

H. Russian River Storm Water Resources Plan

- a. October 19 NCRP meeting targeted for SWRP adoption

I. Items of Interest

- a. CASQA Conference Presentation October 15-17
- b. RWQCB presentation November 14 or 15

J. Public Comment

K. Adjourn

RRWA Calendar Summary:

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

Upcoming TWG Meetings 10:00 – 12:00	Upcoming Board of Directors Meetings 9:00 – 11:00
October 9, 2018 November 13, 2018 December 11, 2018	December 6, 2018 – Guest Speaker TBD February 28, 2019 – Guest Speaker TBD May 23, 2019 – Guest Speaker TBD
Environmental Columns	
August – Thank you, Permit Sonoma (Joshua Ricci) — Composting...Don't throw it away, compost it!	
September – Thank you, Drainage Engineer of the City of Citrus Heights (Dirk Medema)— Alternative Water Sources – Greywater Reuse	
October – City of Rohnert Park (Angela Beran)— Managing Trash and Reducing Litter	
November- City of Santa Rosa - Winter Ready	
December – Mendocino County - Holiday Waste	
January – Windsor – Topic TBD	

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Directors and Alternates Present

Mark Millan, Chair	Town of Windsor
Melanie Bagby, Vice Chair	City of Cloverdale
Mark Rincon	City of Cloverdale
Pam Stafford	City of Rohnert Park
Jack Tibbetts	City of Santa Rosa
Mark Landman	City of Cotati
Ann DuBay	Sonoma Water

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

Additional Attendees

Andy Rodgers	RRWA Executive Director
Colleen Hunt	RRWA Staff
Adriane Garayalde	County of Sonoma
Heaven Moore	City of Santa Rosa
Elizabeth Cargay	Town of Windsor
Bert Whitaker	Regional Parks
Molly Oshun	Sonoma Water
Bob Legge	Russian Riverkeeper

- A. Call to Order and Introductions** - Board Chair Mark Millan (Windsor) called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Roll call was taken.
- B. Approval of the Agenda** - Mark (Windsor) asked if there were any changes to the agenda. The agenda was approved with no revisions
- C. Approval of Standing Items**
- a. Minutes: July 26 Board of Directors Meeting
 - o Motion to approve the July 26 Minutes by Mark (Cotati), seconded by Pam (Rohnert Park). Ayes: 5; Nos: Zero, Jack (Santa Rosa) abstained.
- D. Project Updates**
- a. Outreach
 - i. Social Media outreach performance update
 - o Andy (RRWA) provided an overview of social media performance metrics. Instagram has really improved over the past year. Website traffic has increased due to social media.
 - ii. Environmental Column

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- Andy (RRWA) monthly column is a shared effort between member agencies, with each agency writing an article once a year. The article is published in newspapers, social media and produced in Spanish.
- Elizabeth (Windsor) which newspaper publish the articles?
- Andy (RRWA) Windsor Times, Sonoma County Gazette, Ukiah Daily, others.
- iii. Student Video Contest – Topic selected!
 - Andy (RRWA) “Litter to Zero, Be A Water Hero”
- iv. Russian River-Friendly Landscaping Program – February 6, 2019 event planning
 - Andy (RRWA) February 6 landscaping event at the UFO in Santa Rosa. Subcommittee is putting speakers together and developing a theme.
- b. Trash
 - Colleen (RRWA) putting together the following documents to support member agencies.
 - i. Trash Implementation Plan template
 - ii. Best Management Practices menu
 - Elizabeth (Windsor) noted the consistency with the trash assessment data.
- c. Stormwater outreach to children
 - Colleen (RRWA) at the direction of the TWG, the RRWA will be putting together a child’s placemat for restaurants to use.
 - Potter Valley - Mark (Windsor) PG&E has put the facility out to auction for operation. Impacts to Ag use of water, water rights, and the amount of water going to Lake Mendocino. More water available for fish habitat. Mark will bring forward information as this gets sorted out and have people come to speak about the issue to become more educated on the issues.
 - Ann (Sonoma Water) significant impact to the upper river.

E. Regional Updates

- a. Russian River Confluence
 - Andy (RRWA) workplan is not ready but may be ready by December. Suggested having Confluence under a separate meeting.
 - i. Take the Watershed Temperature Day September 15
 - Andy (RRWA) developed temperature day as part of the R3MP. Great press coverage. Ways to improve: engage TWG, emphasize it is not scientific, and make it more positive.
 - Ann (Sonoma Water) has there been any follow up? Andy (RRWA) mentioned cleanup efforts and positive feedback.
 - Heaven (Santa Rosa) commented that Santa Rosa does have an extensive set of temperature data that is scientific. Temperature day should not be a replacement of that data.
 - ii. Economic Forum-Adriene (Confluence) registration is happening now
 - iii. October paddle- Adriene (Confluence) not a lot of signups, still deciding on if the event will take place.
- b. R3MP
 - Andy (RRWA) August 21, SC meeting #3. Brainstormed management questions. Suggestions are being compiled. October meeting will likely be cancelled.
 - Mark (Windsor) would like to see the SharePoint site.

- c. DWR Russian River Pilot for California Water Plan Update 2018
 - o Andy (RRWA) has been participating in this effort. Draft report is not yet available. Next meeting is October 11.
 - d. Regional Permit Fee
 - o Andy (RRWA) confirmed TWG directed RRWA to continue to pursue this effort.
 - e. Resource Legacy Fund
 - o Andy (RRWA): RLF fund capacity building. Andy is meeting with RLF on October 18. They are interested in learning more about SWRP, R3MP, and Confluence.
- F. Guest Presentation: Bert Whitaker, Director, Sonoma County Regional Parks, “Sonoma County Parks Improvement, Water Quality and Fire Safety Measure”**
- o Bert Whitaker (Sonoma County): Parks have aging infrastructure. Impacted by the fires. Proposed Measure M: 1/8 cent county wide sales tax, 11 million annually with 2/3 going to Regional Parks and 1/3 going to incorporated city support. The tax would support improvements with public safety, access, and further developing natural resources.
 - o Melanie (Cloverdale) asked if Sonoma Water has discussed the installation of fire cameras at parks?
 - o Bert (Sonoma County) confirmed they are discussing and identifying locations.
 - o Andy (RRWA) mentioned Bert was a participant in the Confluence paddle and had a significant role with getting Confluence going.
 - o Bert (Sonoma County): find a balanced use of the demands on parks. Looking to expand access into the upper Russian River.
- G. Board of Directors Business**
- a. Update: Creek Week/Pollution Prevention Week events September 15-22
 - o Andy (RRWA) commented on the great turn out.
 - o Bob (Riverkeeper) provided an update: 16,000 pounds of trash removed. Over 200 volunteers. Windsor, Cloverdale, Ukiah and lower river participated.
 - o Heaven (Santa Rosa): Event at the wastewater treatment was well attended. Good engagement.
 - o Melanie (Cloverdale) suggested sharing Clean River Alliance educational video on trash.
 - b. 2019/2020 Work Plan development begins October 2018
 - o Andy (RRWA) said the goal is to be more productive by connecting the board with the TWG. Cut costs where we can and keep projects streamlined.
 - o Mark (Windsor): use of time in the meeting is informative.
 - o Pam (Rohnert Park): any interest in new members?
 - o Andy (RRWA): There are interested members, but the MOU makes it difficult. Opportunities might be more ideal through Confluence.
 - o Mark (Windsor) suggestions developing a fee structure for non-voting members. There are example models.
 - o Mark (Windsor): Confluence is still being developed.
 - o Pam (Rohnert Park) noted trash problems on a portion of Caltrans.

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 - i. SB 212
 - Andy (RRWA) provided the status as pending the Governor's signature. SB 212 will preempt any local ordinances. CalRecycle will take three years to develop the program. We will need to carry on the current program until CalRecycle takes over.
 - Mark (Landman) this was industry driven, disappointed the ordinance did not move forward sooner.
 - ii. Sonoma County ordinance
 - Andy (RRWA) said if the Governor does not veto the bill, the County will move forward with the ordinance. If the bill passes, the County Board of Supervisors will be briefed on the status of the bill.
 - Andy (RRWA) mail back program needs to be leveraged, but member agencies will need to fund until the state-wide program takes over.
 - Mark (Cotati) and Mark (Windsor) would like Sonoma Water to head up the mail back program. Bring this item back and continue following it.
- e. 2018/2019 Work Plan Revisions
 - i. Co-Permittee meeting facilitation
 - Andy (RRWA) adding 12 hours to the workplan for Colleen to continue providing facilitation support of the member agencies. Mark (Cotati) made a motion to include the additional 12 hours, seconded by Pam (Rohnert Park). All in favor and passed anonymously.
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SUBJECT TO APPROVAL

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