



RUSSIAN RIVER WATERSHED ASSOCIATION  
MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
September 25, 2014, 9:00 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**

- Minutes: July 24, 2014 Board of Directors Meeting

**D. Guest Speaker – Guest Speaker: *Hardeep Takhar, P.E. Caltrans District 4 – Regional Caltrans Projects, Agency Partnerships, and Stormwater Treatment***

**E. BOD Business**

- North Coast Resources Partnership (NCRP) update
  - 2014 Water-Energy Grant Program
- Water Bond Coalition
- Stormwater program
  - 2014 CASQA Conference presentation debrief and synopsis
  - Training
- Safe Medicine Disposal Program
  - Symposium 2014
  - 2014-15 outreach campaign
- Creek Week/Pollution Prevention Week
  - Events
  - Creek Care Guide
- Our Water our World
  - Nursery locations
- Russian River-friendly Landscape Guidelines
  - Winter event
- 2015-16 Work Plan
- Drought update
- Recent and on-going RRWA advocacy items
  - Next lunch meeting with RWQCB staff scheduled for Sept 30, 2014
- Next Board Meetings:
  - December 11, 2014 – Guest Speaker: North Coast RWQCB Executive Officer Matt St. John - dialogue with RRWA Board; Officer elections
  - Schedule 2015 Meetings:
    - Proposed dates: Feb 26, Apr 28, July 23, Sept 24, Dec 10
    - Speaker and topic suggestions

**F. Technical Working Group Activities**

- Meeting schedule: Oct 14 (introduce Work Plan projects), Nov 18, Dec 9, Feb 10 (final Work Plan review), April 14, June 9

**G. Items of Interest**

**H. Public Comment**

**I. Adjourn**

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**Minutes**

Directors and Alternates Present

Bruce Okrepkie, Vice-Chair	Town of Windsor
Efren Carrillo	SCWA
Bob Cox	City of Cloverdale
Mary Anne Landis	City of Ukiah

Directors present represented four of the eleven RRWA member agencies. A quorum was not present.

Additional Attendees

Andy Rodgers	RRWA Executive Director
Daria Isupov	RRWA Staff
Jennifer Burke	City of Santa Rosa
Rita Miller	City of Santa Rosa
Teresa Gudino	City of Santa Rosa
Rocky Vogler	City of Santa Rosa
Brian Rowley	Caltrans District 4
Brenda Adelman	Russian River Watershed Protection Committee (RRWPC)

- A. Call to Order and Introductions - Board Vice-Chair Bruce Okrepkie (Windsor) called the meeting to order at 9:05 AM.**
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- D. Guest Speaker – Guest Speaker: *Brian Rowley, P.E. Caltrans District 4 – Overview of Caltrans Partnerships with Outside Agencies***
  - Caltrans as a developer recognizes that their activities are part of the overall problem concerning watershed health. Caltrans projects increase pervious surfaces, increase runoff, increase erosion potential, and discharge roadway/vehicular pollutants into waterways. As such, Caltrans has a dedicated environmental division which assesses and responds to water quality impacts.
  - Within the state and federal regulatory framework, Caltrans achieves water quality compliance with both on- and off-site mitigation efforts. Off-site mitigation is becoming more common.
  - Caltrans has partnered with Sonoma County and the City of Santa Rosa to complete three off-site mitigation projects:
    - Sonoma County Fairgrounds (Brookwood Parking Lot)

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- Sonoma County Permit and Resource Management Department (Building and Parking Lot)
- City of Santa Rosa (Talbot Avenue/Leonard Avenue Intersection)
- Caltrans is looking for additional opportunities to partner with agencies for off-site mitigation projects.
- Rita Miller (Santa Rosa) stated that she was the liaison for the Santa Rosa projects and that their completion was a very smooth process. Santa Rosa is a willing agency partner for future projects.
- Brian Rowley added that Caltrans District 4 can partner with other districts (Mendocino County is in District 1).

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    - Jennifer Burke (Santa Rosa) suggested a presentation on the Santa Rosa City Hall retrofit demonstration project at the event.
    - Patrick Givone (Windsor) supports the drought theme for the event as landscape irrigation makes up a large percentage of residential water use.
- 2015-16 Work Plan
  - Efren Carrillo (SCWA) stated that he would like to a Spanish version of the Creek Care Guide considered in the 2015-16 Work Plan.
- Drought update
  - Bob Cox (Cloverdale) said that two ordinances mandating a 25% water use reduction passed in February 2014. Since the reduction mandate, residents have reduced their use by 35%. Healdsburg and Cloverdale made national news as two cities that may run out of water within 6 weeks. Bob Cox believes that may have contributed to the large-scale cut backs in residential water use.
  - Mary Ann Landis added that Ukiah is seeing very successful results from voluntary conservation efforts, with water reduction estimated at 50%.
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