

RUSSIAN RIVER WATERSHED ASSOCIATION TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP MEETING September 20, 2016, 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM Windsor Town Council Chambers 9291 Old Redwood Highway, Windsor, CA 95492

AGENDA

1. Greetings and Introductions

2. Update on the July 28, 2016 Board Meeting

- Prop 1 Stormwater Planning Grant: Executive Director Andy Rodgers authorized to negotiate with the state in conjunction with Ukiah on behalf of member agencies
- 2016-17 Video Contest topic chose: "Ditch The Plastic, Your Water Is Fantastic"
- Policy for Use of Social Media Sites approved
- Website: RRWA banner message changed to: "Clean water, habitat restoration and watershed enhancement"
- 2015-16 Work Plan year wrap-up and budget summary

3. Grant Updates

- Stormwater Resources Plan (SWRP)
- Russian River Regional Monitoring Program (R3MP)

4. Stormwater Program

- CASQA Conference: September 12 14
- Demographic analysis for ethnic outreach
- CoPermittee updates
 - o LID manual adoption progress

5. Safe Medicine Disposal Program

- Sonoma County Board of Supervisors hearing: September 20
- DEA National Take Back Day: October 22
- SB 1229 signed

6. Russian River Friendly Landscaping Program

- Document development updates
- Event for landscape professionals: Tuesday, January 24, 2017 (save the date!)

7. Additional Updates

- North Coast Resource Partnership (NCRP)
- Website and Social Media Campaign
 - o Like us on Facebook! Follow us on Instagram!
 - o RRWA Calendar
- Need November, December, and January Environmental Column authors
- Creek Week/Pollution Prevention Week events
- Our Water, Our World
- 2016 Sonoma County Homeless Count
- 2017-18 Work Plan planning will start in October

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8. Forum and Advocacy

- Next lunch meeting with RWQCB staff November 9
- Russian River Confluence update
- Discussion of potential future advocacy items

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

- New Technical Working Group meeting time: 10 am 12 pm proposed
- November 8 TWG Meeting to be held at a different location: Library
- September 22 Board Meeting to be held at Westside Water Education Center
- Project successes for future BOD presentation
- 10. Items of Interest
- 11. Public Comment
- 12. Adjourn

RRWA Calendar Summary:

Unless otherwise noted, TWG meetings are held 10:00 AM to noon and Board of Directors meetings are held 9:00 to 11:00 AM at the Windsor Town Council Chambers, 9291 Old Redwood Highway, Windsor, California 95492

Upcoming TWG Meetings	Upcoming Board of Directors meetings
October 11, 2016	September 22, 2016 – Special Location: Sonoma
November 8, 2016 (Location TBD)	County Water Agency, Westside Water Education
December 13, 2016	Center, 9703 Wohler Road, Forestville
February 14, 2017	December 8, 2016 – Guest Speaker: North Coast
April 11, 2017	RWQCB Executive Officer Matt St. John – dialogue
June 13, 2017	with RRWA Board

Environmental Columns

August – Thank you Windsor (Cristina Goulart) – Responsible Recreation September – Thank you SCWA (Nazareth Tesfai) – Illegal Dumping October – Rohnert Park (Marc Bautista) – Street Sweeping/Winter Preparation



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SUMMARY NOTES

1. Greetings and Introductions

Andy Rodgers – RRWA
Daria Isupov – RRWA
Paige Dulberg – RRWA
Nazareth Tesfai – SCWA
Adriane Garaylade – County of Sonoma
Corbin Johnson – Sonoma County
Regional Parks
Will Stockard – Sonoma County PRMD
Eric Janzen – City of Cloverdale
Dirk Medema – City of Healdsburg

Marc Bautista – City of Rohnert Park Heaven Moore – City of Santa Rosa Nick Sudano – City of Santa Rosa Teresa Gudino – City of Santa Rosa Rick Senor – City of Ukiah Cristina Goulart – Town of Windsor Elizabeth Cargay – Town of Windsor Chuck Striplen – NCRWQCB Bob Legge – Russian Riverkeeper

2. Update on the July 28, 2016 Board Meeting

- Andy Rodgers (RRWA Executive Director) provided the following summary of the recent meeting of the Board of Directors:
 - The Board authorized Andy Rodgers to negotiate with the state in conjunction with Ukiah on the Prop 1 Storm Water Planning Grant on behalf of member agencies.
 - "Ditch The Plastic, Your Water Is Fantastic" selected as the 2016-17 Video Contest.
 - The Policy for Use of Social Media Sites was approved.
 - o RRWA banner message updated to: "Clean water, habitat restoration and watershed enhancement." The word "fisheries" was changed to "habitat."
 - o RRWA provided the 2015-16 Work Plan year wrap-up and budget summary. Individual roll over statements were emailed to each member agency.

3. Grant Updates

- Stormwater Resources Plan (SWRP)
 - The Prop 1 contract with the state is yet to be finalized.
 - o The anticipated start date is January 2017.
 - o Daria Isupov (RRWA) provided an overview of a Prop 1 call she participated in:
 - 1. Prop 1 Implementation funds will be available in February 2018.
 - 2. RRWA aims to have a certified SWRP before February 2018.
- Russian River Regional Monitoring Program (R3MP)
 - The North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board (NCRWQCB) secured discretionary funding for SFEI – ASC to facilitate R3MP development.
 - The contract has been drafted, and NCRWQCB will send a copy to the CoPermittees when it is finalized.
 - The anticipated start date is January 2017.
- Please note: "Grant Updates" may move to a separate meeting starting January 2017.

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4. Stormwater Program

- CASQA Conference: September 12 14
 - Attendees of the CASQA Conference led a discussion about the various tracts of the event, including: Legal, Bacteria, Planning, Illicit Discharges, Toxicity, Climate Change, Low Flow Capture, Trash, Municipalities, and Public Education.
 - Workshops will be available online.
 - The 2017 CASQA Conference will be held in Sacramento.
- Demographic analysis for ethnic outreach
 - Project development will be held at RRWA TWG meetings, unless a subcommittee meeting becomes necessary.
 - Based on language data from the US Census Bureau's American Fact Finder, the CoPermittees selected Spanish as the language for this program.
 - Program development will continue at public TWG meetings.
- CoPermittee updates

5. Safe Medicine Disposal Program

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7. Additional Updates

- North Coast Resource Partnership (NCRP) update
- Website and Social Media Campaign
 - o Like us on Facebook! Follow us on Instagram!
 - As recommended by the Social Media Subcommittee, the RRWA Calendar will continue to publish only RRWA-lead RRWA events unless other information is requested by member agencies or other partners.
- Thank you to November, December, and January Environmental Column authors volunteers! (See schedule below)
- Creek Week/Pollution Prevention Week events
 - There were many successful events throughout the watershed on Saturday, September 17th including:
 - 1. City of Ukiah, County of Mendocino, and Mendocino County Resource Conservation District's Orr Creek Clean Up
 - 2. City of Santa Rosa's Family Fun Day at the Laguna Treatment Plant
 - 3. City of Rohnert Park and Daily Act's Copeland Creek Revival
 - 4. Russian Riverkeeper's Great Russian River Clean Up
 - o The City of Healdsburg will host its Foss Creek Clean Up on September 24th.
- Our Water, Our World update
- 2016 Sonoma County Homeless Count

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- There were 2,906 homeless individuals during the point-in-time survey on January 29, 2016. This is a decrease of 201 people compared to the 2015 point-in-time count.
- 2017-18 Work Plan planning will start in October
 - RRWA Staff are available for meetings with any agency that would like help developing the scope of a new proposed project.
 - Agency operating budgets are due to RRWA on November 29th

8. Forum and Advocacy

- Next lunch meeting with RWQCB staff: November 9
- Russian River Confluence update
 - Adriane Garaylade (County of Sonoma) provided information about the next three-day paddle of the Russian River Confluence, October 7 - 9. Sign up at http://russianriverconfluence.org/

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10. Items of Interest

- California Stormwater Awareness Week is September 26-30. Sign up for workshops at www.stormwaterawareness.org
- Bulk purchase of pet waste bag dispensers are ready! Agencies can pick up their order after this meeting.

11. Public Comment

• There were no public comments.

12. Adjourn – 12:10 pm

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November: Sonoma County (Will Stockard) - Topic TBD

December: Ukiah (Rick Senor) – Topic TBD January: Cloverdale (Eric Janzen) – Rain Gardens