

Minutes of Water Advisory Committee and Technical Advisory Committee  
35 Stony Point Road, Santa Rosa, California  
August 6, 2012

Attendees: Susan Gorin, City of Santa Rosa  
Linda Reed, City of Santa Rosa  
Jennifer Burke, City of Santa Rosa  
Linda Hall, City of Santa Rosa  
Jake Mackenzie, City of Rohnert Park  
Laurie Gallian, City of Sonoma  
Milenka Bates, City of Sonoma  
Toni Bertolero, City of Sonoma  
Mark Landman, City of Cotati  
Damien O'Bid, City of Cotati  
Dennis Rodoni, North Marin Water District  
Chris DeGabriele, North Marin Water District  
Mike Healy, City of Petaluma  
Dan St. John, City of Petaluma  
Robin Goble, Town of Windsor  
Richard Burt, Town of Windsor  
Mark Bramfitt, Valley of the Moon Water District  
Krishna Kumar, Valley of the Moon Water District  
Jack Gibson, Marin Municipal Water District  
Larry Russell, Marin Municipal Water District  
Mike Ban, Marin Municipal Water District  
Efren Carrillo, SCWA  
Shirlee Zane, SCWA  
Jay Jasperse, SCWA  
Jessica Martini Lamb, SCWA  
Spencer Bader, SCWA  
Carrie Pollard, SCWA  
Lynne Rosselli, SCWA  
Carly Cabrera, SCWA  
Scott Carpenter, SCWA  
Scott Wilkens, SCWA  
Konrad Naber, SCWA

Public Attendees: Richard Dowd, City of Santa Rosa BPU  
Brenda Adelman, RRWPC  
David Keller, FOER  
Dietrich Stroeh  
Dawna Gallagher  
Bob Anderson, United Wine Growers  
Peter Yolles, WaterSmart Software  
Jim Downey, Penngrove/Kenwood Water District  
Chip Worthington

1. Check-in

Chair Susan Gorin called the meeting to order at 9:04a.m.

2. Public Comment

Brenda Adelman expressed her concern regarding potential endocrine-disrupting chemicals in recycled water.

David Keller spoke on the drought announcement for Marin County. Chris DeGabriele stated the declaration was to address the impact on hay and grazing during early spring and that there is no water supply impact.

Chip Worthington expressed his concern regarding the lack of communication between agencies and the public, especially about the Federated Indians of Graton Rancheria casino.

3. Recap from the May 7, 2012 WAC/TAC Meeting and Approval of Minutes

Moved by Laurie Gallian, City of Sonoma, seconded by Robin Goble, Town of Windsor, to approve the minutes of the May 7, 2012 WAC/TAC meeting as published; unanimously approved.

4. Water Supply Coordination Council

Summary of the July 27, 2012 meeting was emailed to the committee.

5. Water Contractor Presentation: City of Cotati – “Water Smart” Program

Damien O’Bid made a PowerPoint presentation on the Water Smart program Cotati has had in place for almost one year. They have seen improvements and have achieved a 5% reduction in water use with 50% of their residential water customers participating. Questions from the group and public were answered.

6. FY 2011/12 Water Sales vs. Budget

Spencer Bader, SCWA, reviewed the report which was emailed to the members. Comments and questions followed.

7. SCWA Water Supply/Transmission System Operations Status

a. Sonoma Booster Station Pipeline Repair

Scott Carpenter, SCWA, presented on three projects: 1) Sonoma Booster Station leak repair which is completed; 2) Spring lake 27” Sonoma Aqueduct valve repair; 3) Santa Rosa Aqueduct mainline valve replacement at the Hyatt Hotel is in process.

b. Santa Rosa Plain Groundwater Management Process Update

Jay Jasperse, SCWA, gave a brief update on the Santa Rosa Plain Groundwater Management Process. The Basin Advisory Panel has been working on a variety of activities. A Resolution of Intent to prepare a groundwater management plan will be considered by the board in September or early October, describing details of a governance structure, roles and responsibilities of the lead agency (SCWA), Basin Advisory Panel and TAC. The plan will be developing over the next two years. Business and other municipalities and environmental groups, general public and other water agencies are participating on the Basin Advisory Panel. Questions and comments followed from the committee. Supervisor Shirlee Zane stated her concern that Santa Rosa may be acting independently in the development of its own Groundwater Management Plan. Jennifer Burke spoke to the work that Santa Rosa is doing on a Groundwater Master Plan which should be concluded next year. Chair Susan Gorin clarified the interaction between the City of Santa Rosa and the SCWA regarding the groundwater work. Dick Dowd, BPU Chair explained that Santa Rosa works closely with other agencies. Research is taking place for analyzing the condition of SR groundwater and determining water supply during an emergency.

8. Biological Opinion Status Update

Jessica Martini Lamb, SCWA, reviewed the Biological Opinion Status Update emailed to the members. Questions and comments followed.

9. Integrated Regional Water Management Plan(s) Update

Jake Mackenzie, Rohnert Park, reported on the last North Coast IRWM meeting in Yreka. New officers will be elected in October. The use of Prop 84 funding is being planned.

Paul Helliker reported for the Bay Area IRWM. Any projects need to be submitted by September 1. Plan update will be complete by the middle of 2013.

10. Items for Next Agenda

September 10 TAC

Sustainable Energy Bond Program  
Agency Video Contest Winners  
LRT2  
Future Projects for evaluation  
Biological Opinion Status Update

November 5 WAC/TAC

Biological Opinion Status Update  
IRWM report  
Water Supply Coordination Council

11. Check Out

Next TAC meeting is September 10  
Next WAC/TAC meeting is November 5.

Chair Susan Gorin adjourned the meeting at 11:03a.m.