

Water Supply Coordination Council

MEETING AGENDA

Thursday, March 27, 2014

9am – 10am

Board Caucus Room

- 1) Review summary of last meeting (January 31, 2014 summary attached)
- 2) April 7 WAC/TAC meeting (draft agenda attached)
- 3) Water Supply
 - a. Water supply conditions
 - b. Temporary Urgency Change Order – Term 17 activities
 - c. Sonoma Marin Saving Water Partnership 20% reduction
 - d. Drought Workshops and Drought Drive-Up Days – Schedule
 - e. Groundwater Update
- 4) Schedule Next Meeting
- 5) Other

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Summary
January 31, 2014
Water Supply Coordination Council Meeting

The WSCC is intended to coordinate activities of the Agency, WAC/TAC and other parties as necessary and to report on same pursuant to the Sonoma County Water Agency's September 15, 2009 Resolution #09-0871 to commence and continue development of new water supply projects, plans and strategies to meet the reasonably expected future water demands for the agency's water contractors. The WSCC makes no policy decisions. This WSCC summary is intended to disclose WSCC discussions with the WAC/TAC and other interested parties.

Attendees: Efren Carrillo, Jake MacKenzie, Dennis Rodoni, Grant Davis, Jay Jasperse, David Guhin, Chris DeGabriele

1. Review Summary of Last Meeting (October 18, 2013)

A summary of the October 18, 2013 WSCC meeting was reviewed.

2. February 3rd WAC/TAC meeting

The agenda for the Water Advisory Committee and Technical Advisory Committee scheduled for February 3, 2014 was reviewed.

3. Water Supply

- a. Water Supply Conditions – Grant Davis reported that the Russian River estuary sandbar was breached yesterday. The Agency has received a request from National Marine Fisheries service/CA Fish and Wildlife for a pulse flow release from Lake Sonoma for fish attraction. California Fish and Wildlife Commission is likely to prohibit fishing on the Russian River at their commission meeting on February 5th.
- b. Temporary Urgency Change Order – Term 17 activities – Grant Davis reported that agency staff will be meeting with Urban Water Managers and leaders from the upper Russian River on Monday, February 3rd and on Tuesday, Agency staff will be meeting with agricultural interests on the upper Russian River. Agricultural interests have already been informed that there will be no compensatory release of water from Lake Mendocino for frost protection. Jay Jasperse described the NOAA/National Weather Service frost prediction network and tool available for agricultural growers in the Russian River basin.
- c. Sonoma Marin Saving Water Partnership 20% reduction – The WSCC reviewed the proposed resolution supporting the Sonoma Marin Saving Water Partnership efforts and Governor Gerry Browns' emergency drought declaration that includes seeking 20% voluntary conservation. The resolution will be considered by the WAC at the February 3rd meeting. The requested conservation is significant since winter

demands are up considerably. Jay Jasperse described the efforts ongoing to pursue the pilot studies for aquifer storage and recovery both in Sonoma Valley and in the Santa Rosa plain.

4. Schedule next meeting

Next meeting will be held in March at a time to be determined and prior to the April 7, 2014 WAC/TAC special meeting.

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1. Review Summary of Last Meeting (January 31, 2014)

A summary of the January 31, 2014 WSCC meeting was reviewed.

2. April 7th WAC/TAC meeting

The agenda for the Water Advisory Committee and Technical Advisory Committee scheduled for April 7, 2014 was reviewed.

3. Water Supply

- a. Water Supply Conditions – Grant Davis reported that the Upper Russian River (north of Healdsburg) is classified as critical based on storage in Lake Mendocino. The remainder of the Russian River and Dry Creek is classified as critical based on D1610 criteria. It's likely that classification on the lower reach of the Russian River and Dry Creek will change to dry beginning April 1. Jay Jasperse described the NOAA/National Weather Service rainfall forecast for the end of March where an atmospheric river event is anticipated, but its' focus is not yet pinned down.
- b. Temporary Urgency Change Order – Term 17 activities – Agency staff continue to meet with Urban Water Managers, agricultural growers and leaders from the upper Russian River. The Amended TUCO added two terms to encourage conservation measures. One term requires the Agency to immediately develop and implement a Drought Action Plan to further preserve water stored in Lake Mendocino and keep the State Board updated. The other term requires reporting on the ongoing conservation activities and programs implemented by the Agency and its water contractors to assess and reduce water loss, promote increased water use efficiency and improve regional water supply reliability, including a report on water budgets for irrigation accounts. Discussion ensued on opportunities to broaden the SMSWP efforts into the Upper Russian River region.

- c. Sonoma Marin Saving Water Partnership 20% reduction – The WSCC acknowledged the WAC resolution adopted on February 3rd supporting the Sonoma Marin Saving Water Partnership efforts and Governor Jerry Browns’ emergency drought declaration that includes seeking 20% voluntary conservation. All Water Contractors have adopted resolutions or enacted their Water Shortage Contingency Plans to request 20% voluntary water conservation from their respective retail customers. It was pointed out that each contractor has a different mix of local supply, recycled water and Agency supply available this year compared to prior years. The consensus of the TAC is to rely on compliance with the SBx7x 20 by 2020 regional target (129gallons/person/day) for performance confirmation.
 - d. Drought Workshops and Drought Drive-Up Days - Grant Davis advised that a series of workshops on water supply are being scheduled in each supervisorial district, the first being March 31st in Sonoma Valley at Vintage House, 264 First St. E., Sonoma, from 6 to 8:30pm. Grant also advised there are a series of “Drought Drive-Up Days” under the SMSWP umbrella by the Water Contractors scheduled throughout the service area on April 23rd. At each event, customers will receive free water saving devices and information on ways to reduce water use during the drought.
 - e. Groundwater Update - Jay Jasperse indicated there will be 4 scheduled locally to update the public on the Santa Rosa plain groundwater monitoring plan.
4. Schedule next meeting
- Next meeting will be held in April at a time to be determined and prior to the May 5, 2014 WAC/TAC meeting.