

Final Minutes of Water Advisory Committee and Technical Advisory Committee
35 Stony Point Road, Santa Rosa, California
May 4, 2015

Attendees: Tom Schwedhelm, City of Santa Rosa
David Guhin, City of Santa Rosa
Linda Hall, City of Santa Rosa
Mark Millan, Town of Windsor
Toni Bertolero, Town of Windsor
Jim Smith, Town of Windsor
Paul Piazza, Town of Windsor
Susan Harvey, City of Cotati
Damien O'Bid, City of Cotati
Mark Heneveld, Valley of the Moon Water District
Dan Muelrath, Valley of the Moon Water District
Laurie Gallian, City of Sonoma
Dan Takasugi, City of Sonoma
Joseph Callinan, City of Rohnert Park
Jake Mackenzie, City of Rohnert Park
Mary Grace Pawson, City of Rohnert Park
Mike Healy, City of Petaluma
Dan St. John, City of Petaluma
Dennis Rodoni, North Marin Water District
Jack Baker, North Marin Water District
Chris DeGabriele, North Marin Water District
Drew McIntyre, North Marin Water District
Larry Russell, Marin Municipal Water District
Krishna Kumar, Marin Municipal Water District
Mike Ban, Marin Municipal Water District
Efren Carrillo, Board of Supervisors
Grant Davis, SCWA
Pam Jeane, SCWA
Mike Thompson, SCWA
Mike Gossman, SCWA
Jay Jasperse, SCWA
Carrie Pollard, SCWA

Public Attendees: Brenda Adelman, RRWPC
Dietrich Stroeh, Stuber-Stroeh Engineering Group
Dawna Gallagher Stroeh
Margaret DiGenova, California American Water
David Keller, FOER
Jim Downey, Penngrove/Kenwood Water District
Bob Anderson, United Winegrowers
Deborah Tavares

1. Check-in

Dennis Rodoni, WAC Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:05a.m.

2. Public Comment

Deborah Tavares spoke on Tan Oak tree poisoning purportedly being carried on in Mendocino County by The Redwood Timber Company.

Brenda Adelman spoke to the lack of testing of edible fish. She also expressed concern about the use of recycled water as she believes it contains endocrine disrupting chemicals.

3. Recap from the April 6, 2015 WAC/TAC Meeting and Approval of Minutes

Moved by Laurie Gallian, City of Sonoma, seconded by Mark Millan, Town of Windsor, to approve the minutes of the April 6, 2015 WAC/TAC meeting; unanimously approved.

4. Water Supply Coordination Council

Efren Carrillo, Sonoma County Board of Supervisors, commented on the report which was provided to the members via email. The Sonoma County Water Agency Board of Directors/Board of Supervisors will hear a drought update presentation from Water Agency/county representatives, including members of the Sonoma-Marin Saving Water Partnership on May 12.

5. Approve Renewed Agreements between SCWA and MMWD

Chris DeGabriele, NMWD, advised the TAC recommend that the WAC approve the renewed agreements.

Comments were made regarding the use of water by Marin and the use of recycled water. Krishna Kumar commented that Marin Municipal Water District gets 25% of its water supply from SWCA. Moved by Joseph Callinan, Rohnert Park, seconded by Mike Healy, City of Petaluma, to approve the renewed agreements between SCWA and MMWD; unanimously passed.

6. Sonoma Marin Saving Water Partnership – Regional Alliance 2014 GPCD Update and Proposed Collective Conservation Standard to meet SWRCB Emergency Regulations

Chris DeGabriele reviewed the requirements for conservation from the State Water Control Board based on gallons per capita per day. The regional approach that was proposed by the Sonoma Marin Water Saving Partnership to the state was not accepted. Targets for conservation have been established. TAC will meet in an ad hoc committee to keep on track with conservation. David Guhin, TAC Vice Chair, commented that Santa Rosa's conservation efforts have been recognized by the Governor, and the Mayor of Santa Rosa attended a meeting in Sacramento along with 13 other California Mayors. Final plans will be in place for cities by the next WAC meeting. The Sonoma Marin Water Saving Partnership will continue to work as a region and pursue the established goals for water conservation.

7. Water Supply Conditions and Temporary Urgency Change Order

Pam Jeane, SCWA, reported that Lake Mendocino is at 67% capacity and Lake Sonoma is at 86% capacity. On May 1 the State Water Resources Control Board issued a Temporary Urgency Change Order allowing the Sonoma County Water Agency to reduce Russian River flows from May 1 through October 27, 2015. Minimum instream flows in the Upper Russian River will be reduced from 185cfs to 75cfs and in the Lower Russian River from 125cfs to 85cfs. To improve efforts to optimally manage flows in the Russian River, minimum instream flow requirements will be implemented on a 5-day running average of average daily stream flow measurements with instantaneous flows on the Upper Russian River being no less than 65cfs and on the Lower Russian River being no less than 75cfs. Water stored in Lake Pillsbury is falling rapidly to meet Eel River minimum flows and could run out of water by the end of the summer. PG&E controls the water outflow and a

possible amendment may be requested by them to adjust that flow. Questions and comments followed from the public.

8. Sustainable Groundwater Management Act

Jay Jasperse reported on the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act, which took effect on January 1, 2015. The work group formed to implement the act has provided updates to all groundwater constituent groups. In Sacramento legislation is being introduced to clean up elements not originally included in the act. Basin boundaries need to be established. Groundwater Sustainability agencies need to be formed by 2017. Sonoma Valley, Petaluma Valley and the Santa Rosa Plain ground water basins are the areas that will have agencies. Gina Bartlett has been hired to collect information which will be evaluated to move forward with the formation of the sustainability agencies. Information will be available on the SCWA website. Comments were made by Grant Davis, SCWA, and David Guhin, TAC Vice Chair, City of Santa Rosa.

9. Biological Opinion Status Update

Pam Jeane, SCWA, reviewed the update that was sent to the members. Questions and comments followed her review.

10. Integrated Regional Water Management Plan(s) Update

Efren Carrillo, Sonoma County Board of Supervisors, reported on the April 16 North Coast Region meeting. Prop 84 allocation is \$1M for the North Coast. Projects will be recommended for use of the allocated funds.

Grant Davis, SCWA, reported the Bay Area IRWMP is accepting project recommendations until May 16.

11. Items for next TAC Agenda

Water Supply Conditions
Biological Opinion Status Update

12. Check Out

Next TAC meeting is June 1
Next WAC/TAC meeting is August 3

Meeting was adjourned at 10:15a.m.