

Technical Advisory Committee
December 6, 2010

Attendees: Krishna Kumar, Valley of the Moon Water District
Ramleh Scherginger, City of Petaluma
Steve Simmons, City of Petaluma
Jake Mackenzie, City of Rohnert Park
Darrin Jenkins, City of Rohnert Park
Milenka Bates, City of Sonoma
Drew McIntyre, North Marin Water District
Richard Burt, Town of Windsor
Grant Davis, SCWA
Spencer Bader, SCWA
Jay Jasperse, SCWA
Pam Jeane, SCWA
Carrie Pollard, SCWA
Mike Thompson, SCWA
Michael Gossman, SCWA
Don Seymour, SCWA
Susan Gorin, City of Santa Rosa
Miles Ferris, City of Santa Rosa
Glen Wright, City of Santa Rosa
Linda Reed, City of Santa Rosa
Jennifer Burke, City of Santa Rosa
Janet Reisner, City of Santa Rosa

Public Attendees: Brenda Adelman, RRWPC
J. Dietrich Stroeh, CSW/Stuber-Stroeh Engineering
David Keller, FOER
Dawna Gallagher
Tom Yarish, Friends of the Esteros
Bob Anderson, United Wine Growers

1. Check In:
TAC Vice-Chair, Krishna Kumar called the meeting to order at 9:04 a.m.
2. Public Comment
Grant Davis wanted those who attended the ACWA Conference to share any updates: Paul Kelley was appointed President of ACWA again. Miles Ferris said due to staffing on the state level affecting the lack of details required for reports, ACWA's role to get some deadlines extended is critical. Grant Davis attended the Climate Change workshop and said the agency and contractors have been proactive in working toward a plan. Although there is a ways to go on this, he said we were far ahead of some of the other entities. Mike Thompson attended a workshop on SB7 and various options for estimating a 20% water reduction. He said options are being finalized. More emphasis will be on regional reporting. Jay Jasperse attended the Ground Water Committee meetings. He said ground water deadlines are looming. SCWA has 14 ground water basins. Specific reporting details are not yet complete regarding requirements.

3. UWMP 2010 Status Update

Jennifer Burke, City of Santa Rosa, said Maddaus is working on demand projections after receiving reports from the contractors. Now they will be looking to work with SCWA on the supply side. Jay Jasperse said SCWA received reports from six of the contractors. They will be planning for the UWMP as they incorporate climate change, ground water and all other aspects needed.

4. 2010 TUCP Status

Pam Jeane reported that several TUCP reports are due. A verbal report was given to State Water Board staff on the status of groundwater management planning and agricultural water user coordination. The two water conservation related reports are due at the end of the year. These two reports were sent out for contractors' review and then will be completed and submitted. An extension will be requested for the water quality report due at the end of the year and a couple of additional reports that will be due in April. Brenda Adelman asked how the public can find out what oral reports were given to the state. Pam Jeane said a written summary will be available. Grant Davis said the State Water Board is aware of the challenges of our region and there will be ground water management planning meetings to work with the community.

5. Biological Opinion Status Update

Pam Jeane reminded the committee that there will be a Public Policy Facilitating Committee meeting on Monday, December 13 from 9:00 am to 12:00 in the Board of Supervisors' chambers in Santa Rosa. The announcement for this meeting was sent out. The resource agencies as well as Water Agency staff will be making presentations. All meeting information/presentations will be posted to the Water Agency's website.

Individual projects:

- Fish Flow EIR Scoping meeting was held in November. About thirty individuals submitted comments.
- The Estuary Management Project draft environmental impact report (EIR) is expected to be released for review by the end of the year. The EIR is needed for permitting estuary management work beginning in May 2011.

The preliminary 30% design has been shared with the resource agencies. This will be taken to the property owners, then, in January it will quickly move to the 60% design. The resource agencies have provided a good deal of input on this plan.

Krishna asked about the status of the Pipeline Feasibility Study. Jay Jasperse said perhaps it will be completed next month.

Public Comment – David Keller asked what was the expected time of release for the EIR for Decision 1610. Pam Jeane responded that this calls for the draft summary to be submitted in the summer of 2012 then again in the summer of 2013.

Jay Jasperse, in response to a question from Richard Burt about SBX7-6, said there will be an agenda item for the 12/7/10 Board of Supervisors' meeting. Thirteen groundwater basins will be addressed and the County will act as lead monitoring entity for 11 of those basins. Although the Agency will be the lead monitoring agency, collectively all of the contractors could potentially lose state grants and funding. The hope is to have work groups to leverage efforts.

6. Items for next agenda –

Miles Ferris recommended continuing to pursue the UWMP.

Spencer Bader said possibly SCWA will be in a position to report on initial budget issues.

Grant Davis asked if a topic might be about ways to make the California Water Plan more useable. He said the Water Agency would be interested in knowing how the contractors use that plan.

7. Check Out –

Jake Mackenzie will be making a presentation to the Board of Directors. An update will be available at the next meeting. Mike Thompson provided an update on the Copeland Creek Project. This project could receive up to \$1million in Prop 84 grant funding.

The next meeting of the Technical Advisory Committee will be held on January 10, 2011, at the Laguna Treatment Plant. Meeting Adjourned at 9:35.