

Draft Minutes of Technical Advisory Committee
35 Stony Point Road, Santa Rosa, California
December 1, 2014

Attendees: Jennifer Burke, City of Santa Rosa
Rocky Vogler, City of Santa Rosa
Linda Hall, City of Santa Rosa
Garrett Broughton, Town of Windsor
Paul Piazza, Town of Windsor
Mary Grace Pawson, City of Rohnert Park
Mike Brett, City of Sonoma
Steve McCarthy, City of Sonoma
Dan Muelrath, Valley of the Moon Water District
Mike Healy, City of Petaluma
Dan St. John, City of Petaluma
Chris DeGabriele, North Marin Water District
Drew McIntyre, North Marin Water District
Mike Ban, Marin Municipal Water District
Grant Davis, SCWA
Pam Jeane, SCWA
Lynne Rosselli, SCWA
Carrie Pollard, SCWA
Ann DuBay, SCWA

Public Attendees: Brenda Adelman, RRWPC
David Keller, FOER
J. Dietrich Stroeh
Bob Anderson, United Winegrowers

1. Check-in

Chair Chris DeGabriele called the meeting to order at 9:06a.m.

2. Public Comment

None

3. Water Supply Conditions and Temporary Urgency Change Order (including report on Water Conservation)

The regional water production comparison has been updated with October information and was distributed by Chris DeGabriele, NMWD. Conservation efforts continue with usage down 14.4% February through October 2014 compared to the same period last year. Chris commented on the changes made and continuing to be made to reconcile the numbers with SCWA data. The report will be reissued when corrections have been completed, and will include detailed information for each of the contractors.

Brenda Adelman commented on the differences between SCWA sales numbers and usage numbers for the contractors. Chris explained the information is compiled by the contractor and SCWA separately, using different time frames, which accounts for the difference. A rounding error was the other factor contributing to the difference. Brenda is looking for better clarification of the contractor statistics. Chris explained the reconciliation issue is being addressed. Grant Davis spoke to the conservation effort being made by everyone. No change will be made in the drought status at this time.

4. Biological Opinion Status Update

Pam Jeane, SCWA, reviewed the Biological Opinion Status Update sent via email to meeting attendees. She updated project status on the Dry Creek Habitat Enhancement and Demonstration Project. Miles two and three are being assessed to determine the work to be completed. The project is at 30% design completion. Fish monitoring is being done in the Russian River as required by the Temporary Urgency Change Order. The Estuary monitoring is mostly completed. No water releases from Lake Sonoma are planned to move the fish in the River. Fish screen and ladder work is ongoing through the winter for completion of the project in summer 2015. The mouth of the Russian River was breached on Tuesday. EIR work continues and a report will be released the summer of 2015. Field trips are planned in February to see the Dry Creek Project progress. Fish numbers and species are being recorded with the increased flows due to rain.

Brenda Adelman reported that North Salmon Creek Beach trails are being improved. Pam Jeane, SWCA, will request posting to the website of the work being done on the North Salmon Creek Beach trails.

Grant Davis asked for an extended WAC meeting this spring to discuss the SCWA strategic plan with his Board. Chris asked TAC members to speak with WAC members to get their feedback on having a meeting with SCWA after the WAC/TAC meets, likely in March or April at the time the SCWA budget is considered.

5. Items for Next Agenda

January 5 TAC Meeting

Draft SCWA budget

Water Supply Conditions and Temporary Urgency Change Order

Biological Opinion Status Update

6. Check Out

Next TAC meeting is January 5, 2015

Next WAC/TAC meeting is February 2, 2015

Meeting adjourned at 9:27a.m.