

Minutes of Water Advisory Committee- FINAL
For Meeting of April 3, 2006

Attendees: Chris DeGabriele, North Marin Water District
Drew McIntyre, North Marin Water District
Jack Baker, North Marin Water District
Mike Ban, City of Petaluma
Steve Simmons, City of Petaluma
Mike Bierman, City of Petaluma
Al Bandur, City of Sonoma
Stanley Cohen, City of Sonoma
Krishna Kumar, Valley of the Moon Water District
Sanford Smith, Valley of the Moon Water District
Spencer Bader, Sonoma County Water Agency
Randy Poole, Sonoma County Water Agency
Pam Jeane, Sonoma County Water Agency
Lynn Florey, Sonoma County Water Agency
Renee Webber, Sonoma County Water Agency
Keenan Foster, Sonoma County Water Agency
Anne Crealock, Sonoma County Water Agency
Marc Bautista, Sonoma County Water Agency
Dave Manning, Sonoma County Water Agency
Tim Anderson, Sonoma County Water Agency
Shawn Chase, Sonoma County Water Agency
Erica Phelps, Sonoma County Water Agency
Jay Jasperse, Sonoma County Water Agency
Kent Gylfey, Sonoma County Water Agency
Miles Ferris, City of Santa Rosa
Glen Wright, City of Santa Rosa
Virginia Porter, City of Santa Rosa
Greg Scoles, City of Santa Rosa
Jane Bender, City of Santa Rosa
Mike Martini, City of Santa Rosa
Dana Roxon, MMWD
Jon Mandell, MMWD
Darrin Jenkins, City of Rohnert Park
Jake Mackenzie, City of Rohnert Park
Matt Mullan, Town of Windsor
Richard Burt, Town of Windsor
Toni Bertolero, City of Cotati
Janet Orchard, City of Cotati
John Nelson, JONWRM

Public Attendees: Brenda Adelman, RRWPC
Don McEnhill, League of Women Voters
Paul Stutrud, OWL
Tony Lindstrom, Cal American Water
Duane DeWitt, Community Builders Corp

1. Check In

Miles Ferris, City of Santa Rosa, called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. The attendees checked in.

2. Public Comment

Duane DeWitt, Community Builders Corp., commented on the paving of our aquifer recharge area with impermeable surfaces and aggravating the effects of future storm events.

3. Approval and Recap of the March 6, 2006, Minutes

Mike Bierman, City of Petaluma, requested the minutes be changed to reflect that he was a full participating member of the Sonoma County Salmon Coalition.

Jake Mackenzie, City of Rohnert Park, made a motion to approve the minutes as corrected and Mike Martini, City of Santa Rosa seconded. All approved.

4. Fish Presentations

David Manning, Sonoma County Water Agency, gave presentations on studies done on inflatable dams and their effect on the migration of fish, and the monitoring process.

Shawn Chase, Sonoma County Water Agency, gave a presentation on Chinook Salmon.

To view the presentations log on to:

<http://www.sonomacountywater.org/naturalresources.html#Fishresearch>

5. Status of Collector No. 6 Project

Kent Gylfey, Sonoma County Water Agency, gave a presentation on the status of Collector No. 6.

Substantial completion was reached as of March 15, 2006. After the final completion, water quality sampling and DHS permitting approval Collector No. 6 is expected to be on-line no later than July 1, 2006.

6. Agency's Draft Water Policy

William Keene, Sonoma County Water Agency, gave a presentation on the SCWA's draft water vision and policies.

Changes include:

- Water Reliability Issues
- Sustainability Initiative
- Strategic Planning Process Goals/Objectives

Jake Mackenzie suggested that the Ahwahanee Water Principles be taken into consideration. There also needs to be public outreach and meetings with contractors done before it is presented to the Agency Board. He motioned that a committee be established to work with the Sonoma County Water Agency as they develop their Water Policy Document. Janet Orchard, City of Cotati, seconded. All supported. Miles Ferris will appoint this committee.

7. Update on Water Supply, Transmission System and Reliability Project EIR

Erica Phelps, Sonoma County Water Agency, reviewed the new schedule for the Water Project EIR as follows:

Demand Analysis Update:	August 2006
General Plan Updates:	
City of Petaluma	October 2006?
County of Sonoma	Early 2007?
Marin Countywide	Early 2007?
City of Cotati	May 2008 per Janet Orchard
Internal Staff Review Draft:	December 2006
Draft EIR:	June 2007
Final EIR:	May 2008
EIR Certification / Project Approval:	June 2008

These deadlines are based loosely on the previous EIR process.

The UMWP and the EIR are both using the same information and working in conjunction with each other.

Mike Martini asked for clarification of the available water supply from the Russian River system. Randy Poole, Sonoma County Water Agency indicated that the Russian River's firm water yield is 124,000 acre feet.

8. Sonoma County Salmon Coalition

Jake Mackenzie advised the coalition meeting scheduled to meet on March 30, 2006, was postponed. Workgroups will try to meet before next week.

9. Water Advisory Committee Interests Letter

Chris DeGabriele, North Marin Water District, presented the revised letter to the WAC for consideration.

Randy Poole advised that an update on the Urban Water Management Plan, Restructured Agreement, Water Shortage Allocation Methodology, and the EIR would be presented to the Board on April 18, 2006.

John Nelson, JONWRM, indicated that he would email the corrected Restructured Agreement to the contractors.

Letter Status –

Santa Rosa – approved and support moving letter onto SCWA Board

Rohnert Park – approved and support moving letter onto SCWA Board

Cotati – got approval of initial draft and need to take back for review of changes.

Sonoma – not scheduled

Windsor – scheduled for Wednesday

VOMWD – scheduled for Tuesday

10. Fluoridation Treatment Capital Cost Estimate Update

Chris DeGabriele indicated that the Department of Health Services has requested that each permitted public water system update the cost of fluoridation of their water system. It is due to the Department of Health Services by June 2, 2006, and the statutory deadline is July 1, 2006. MMWD is the only system that is currently fluoridated.