

REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

WESTSIDE Sac IRWM Coordinating Committee

DATE: January 15, 2016 **TIME:** 10:00 AM - Noon

LOCATION: Napa County Flood Control and Water Conservation District, 801 First St., Napa, CA

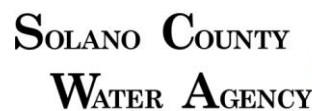
Coordinating Committee Members Present:

County	Representative	Alternate
Lake	Scott DeLeon (Lake Cty. DWR/WPD) ✓	Tom Smythe (Lake County DWR)
Napa	Chris Silke (County of Napa) – Chair	Jeff Sharp (Napa Cty. Flood Control)
Solano	Chris Lee (SCWA)	Thomas Pate (SCWA)
Yolo	Elisa Sabatini (Water Res. Assn) - phone	Max Stevenson (YCFCWCD)

Others Present:

Will Evans- Lake County DWR, Matt Bassett - Hidden Valley Lake, Alan Gardner – Clear Lake Oaks County Water District, Tim Busch – City of Woodland, Chris Fong – City of Woodland, Jeanette Wrynski - Yolo County Resource Conservation District. Attending by phone: Hong Lin – Dept. of Water Resources, Dr. Mark Hester – Institute for Coastal and Water Research UL, Dr. Jonathan Willis – Institute for Coastal and Water Research UL, Phillip Poirier – CDFW, Sachi Itegaki – Kennedy Jenks, Richard Tsai – City of Davis, _____ Chapman – ACR Engineering.

- Call Meeting to Order and Introductions.** The meeting was called to order at 10:07 a.m. by Chair Silke. He called for self-introductions.
- Approve today's Agenda and Minutes for October 13 Regular meeting and November 23rd Special Meeting (Brownfield).** Chair Silke suggested that Item 9 and Item 11 be combined. This seemed agreeable to all. ACTION: Approve the Agenda with the suggested change and both sets of minutes; MOTION: Silke, SECOND: Smythe; AYES: Unanimous (Silke, Sabatini, Lee, Smythe).
- Public comment.** There were no comments from the public.
- Review/Approve Tentative Meeting Calendar for 2016.** The group had a brief discussion of the proposed dates, received comments on alternate days of the week and times of day. There was general agreement that these were good tentative meeting dates and that everyone should put them on their calendars. A meeting poll will be sent out if a date change is needed.
- DWR Update.** Ms. Lin provided an update for inclusion in the meeting packet, but provided additional updates over the phone, followed by a hard copy. Her update is included at the end of these meeting minutes.
- YCRCD Budget Report.** Ms. Wrynski referred to the budget/invoice-tracking statement provided. The December 31st quarterly invoice #9 for \$10,666.76 has been sent to Chair Silke for review and approval. Mr. Silke reported that he had approved and forwarded it to Mr. Lee at SCWA for payment. The amount remaining in the contract with the RCD for the fiscal year is \$31,684.37. At the next Regular meeting she will provide a projection for how long the funds will last, given the expanding amount of work.



7. **Coordinating Committee Fiscal Agent Budget Report.** Mr. Lee reported that the member agencies have put up \$20,000 each per year. \$240,000 has been collected to date. That has been spent down to \$51,000, not including the recent Invoice #9 from the RCD and there is currently \$177,000 in the bank.
8. **Discussion on Participation in State Water Board Storm Water Grant Program for Development of Regional Stormwater Management Plan.** Ms. Sabatini stated that the Yolo WRA (Water Resources Association) is very interested in pursuing a Stormwater Management Plan through this grant opportunity. Mr. Busch stated that the City of Woodland is also very interested and has matching funds. Mr. Tsai stated that the City of Davis is also very interested and has matching funds. There was an overview of the key grant parameters. After discussion with those present the group directed Ms. Wrynski to draft a Letter of Interest for the CC members to review and edit and that the CC members would re-distribute it in their respective counties to decision-makers, including members of the Yolo WRA. Responses will need to gauge both interest and commitment of funds for grant proposal development (a \$50K - \$60K effort) and the required 50% local grant match. The CC will hold a Special meeting Friday, January 29th at 2:00 by phone. Ms. Wrynski will prepare and distribute that Agenda.
9. **Receive and Accept new IRWM Project: City of Winters Drinking Water Hexavalent Chromium (Cr6) Compliance Project.** [#11 was paired with this item and discussed at this time in the meeting]. Mr. Lee reminded the group that there was prior agreement to accept all new proposed projects submitted, assuming that they fit Plan goals and objectives and the submission was completed properly. All agreed that this new project is accepted. Mr. Busch explained that the change in enforcement for Cr6 in drinking water was due to a change in the standard. The levels in water have not changed. Previous state-allowed levels were 50 ppm (Federal EPA limit was 100 ppm). New standards went to 10 ppm. Testing shows an average of 28 ppm. Woodland and Davis are dealing with this by diluting with surface water from the Sacramento River. City of Winters does not have this option.
10. **Select EPA Brownfield Grant Contractor.** The CC was awarded an EPA grant for approximately \$467,378 (contract completed early November) for brownfield assessment. Mr. Lee explained the Request for Proposals, the four proposals received by 1/1/16 for grant management and implementation (AKT Peerless, Broadbent, IT Environmental, McCord Environmental, Inc.), and the scoring sheet he sent to the CC members. It was clarified that this was not a cost-based decision but rather was qualification based. After discussion of proposal rankings by CC members the following motion was put forward: ACTION: Negotiate with McCord Environmental, Inc. to manage the project for the CC with Solano County Water Agency (SCWA) as the fiscal agent. MOTION: Smythe; SECOND: Silke; AYES: Unanimous (Silke, Sabatini, Smythe, Lee).
11. **Review and Select Small Grant Recipients.** Chair Silke described project ranking criteria and Mr. Evans clarified multiple vs. regional benefits. Mr. Silke also added that there are clearly many great opportunities to fund a wide variety of good projects. Each CC member reported their project rankings. Discussion ensued about the scoring criteria, regional benefits, topical areas and requested amounts of funding. ACTION: Fund the Cache Creek Conservancy for \$9,500, City of Winters for \$12,000, Lake County Watershed Protection District for \$24,500 and Putah Creek Counsel for \$2,500 for a total of \$48,500 awarded. MOTION: Silke; SECOND: Lee; AYES: Unanimous (Silke, Sabatini, Lee, Smythe). See the following chart.



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	Project Name	Lead Agency	Funded Amount
2	Implementation of the Cache Creek Resource Management Plan (#53)	Cache Creek Conservancy	\$9,500
3	City of Winters Drinking Water Hexavalent Chromium (Cr6) Compliance Project	City of Winters	\$12,000
5	Quagga Mussel Boat Display	Lake County Watershed Protection District	\$24,500
11	2016 Putah Creek Fall Cleanup (IRWM Project # 130)	Putah Creek Counsel	\$2,500
Total FY2016 Funding Distributed			\$48,500

Ms. Wrynski was instructed to inform the awardees that they will be contacted within a month by Chris Lee, Solano County Water Agency as the fiscal agent for contracting, and to write to the other applicants informing them that they were not selected, expressing appreciation for their interest and application and reminding them of the upcoming second round at the next fiscal year.

12. **Review Westside Sac Annual Report.** CC members provided comments on the draft Annual Report, stating that it was about the right length and complexity; the member identifiers on the front page, left bar should have hyphens removed and email contacts added; Lake County Department of Water Resources should be changed to Lake County Watershed Protection District; there should be a list of funding awarded to various counties through the grant submission efforts of the CC; revise the budget pie chart in accordance with the fiscal year; double-check photo credit needs and send a revised draft out to the group. The group would like digital (pdf) copies and approximately 100 hard copies. Ms. Sabatini said that she would be happy to provide those copies as match from Yolo County. The Annual Report should be completed by approximately March of each year, in time for budget preparations for the new fiscal year.
13. **CC Member Reports.** a) Berryessa Watershed Improvement Program (Napa County Measure A) – Mr. Silke reported that Napa county will be collecting 0.05% sales tax through 2018. These funds are earmarked for watershed improvement and flood projects through competitive grants. There is currently \$2M available for unincorporated parts of the county. Legal counsel urges that a greater emphasis should go toward agriculture and water resources. They are making final revisions to the guidelines, to be out in February. There will be multiple, annual funding cycles. Measure A will later become Measure T for transportation with funds going toward road and bridge projects. b) Mr. Smythe reported that after the Valley Fire they assembled a post-fire team of professionals to identify high hazard sites to be mitigated with approx. \$200,000 in EWP and FEMA funds. There were 107 sites identified. Projects were possible on 14 sites. On other sites projects were just not possible for a variety of reasons. Efforts included sand bags, bridge stabilization and K-Rail reinforcement. The FEMA Hazard Mitigation Program is providing approx. \$800,000. They are trying to put together a \$4M project. There are 2 projects under a fire mitigation pilot program of \$441,000 each which will upgrade 55 culverts (mostly undersized). The deadline is January 29th. Items c) and d) were covered sufficiently above. e) Mr. Lee reported that their first sampling event was last week; the water was black with soot. Broader-scale assessments are about to happen. They received and OES grant of \$450,000 for post-fire work just above and below the dam. They also got a Prop 1 grant for replanting in erosion areas post fire. Ash monitoring is being done at the north end of the lake; the community there gets water from a screened intake which is immersed in gravel, which acts as a natural filter. Creek turbidity was 60-70 NTU's after a recent rain event.
14. **Confirm Next Meeting Date and Location:** Wednesday, March 16, 10:00 am, Solano County Water Agency.
14. **Adjourn** – the meeting was adjourned at 2:33 pm by Chair Silke.



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Minutes respectfully submitted by: Jeanette Wrynski, YCRCD. Approved on _____, 2015 by the Westside Sac IWRMP Coordinating Committee.

By: _____
Name, position

Chair/Vice-Chair Rotation will be as follows:

1 st Year	2 nd Year	3 rd Year	4 th Year
SCWA---Chair	NCFCWD---Chair	WRA---Chair	LCWPD---Chair
NCFCWD---VC	WRA---VC	LCWPD---VC	SCWA---VC

Meeting locations will rotate throughout the Region as follows:
Solano → Yolo → Lake, → Napa

**DWR Update for Westside Sac IRWM Coordinating Committee
January 15, 2016**

California Water Action Plan Update 2016

The plan sets forth 10 overarching actions that guide the efforts to create more resilient, reliable water systems and to restore damaged and destroyed ecosystems. The Action Plan anchors the Governor’s 2016-17 budget proposal released last week, including significant increases in funding for flood protection, wetlands restoration, groundwater management, and restoration of the Salton Sea.

http://resources.ca.gov/california_water_action_plan/

Prop 84 IRWM Grant 2015 Final Award

DWR has awarded approximately \$232 million to 26 proposals. Awarded Westside ~ 2 million (4 projects, Solano and Napa) <http://www.water.ca.gov/irwm/grants/p84implementation.cfm>

Prop 1 Funding

DWR Sustainable Groundwater Planning (SGWP) Grant Program

- Application period closed, currently in review process.
- Funding recommendations will be announced late January 2016.

DWR IRWM Grant Program

Prop 1 \$37 million in funding for SR funding area will be available. [Link](#)



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Funding Area Allocations

Funding Area	Bond Allocation	Total Local Assistance	Total DAC	Implementation Grants 1)
North Coast	\$26,500,000	\$24,645,000	\$5,300,000	\$19,345,000
San Francisco	\$65,000,000	\$60,450,000	\$13,000,000	\$47,450,000
Central Coast	\$43,000,000	\$39,990,000	\$8,600,000	\$31,390,000
Los Angeles	\$98,000,000	\$91,140,000	\$19,600,000	\$71,540,000
Santa Ana	\$63,000,000	\$58,590,000	\$12,600,000	\$45,990,000
San Diego	\$52,500,000	\$48,825,000	\$10,500,000	\$38,325,000
Sacramento	\$37,000,000	\$34,410,000	\$7,400,000	\$27,010,000
San Joaquin	\$31,000,000	\$28,830,000	\$6,200,000	\$22,630,000
Tulare/Kern	\$34,000,000	\$31,620,000	\$6,800,000	\$24,820,000
Lahontan	\$24,500,000	\$22,785,000	\$4,900,000	\$17,885,000
Colorado	\$22,500,000	\$20,925,000	\$4,500,000	\$16,425,000
Mtn Counties	\$13,000,000	\$12,090,000	\$2,600,000	\$9,490,000

DWR Water Use Efficiency Grants and Loans

<http://www.water.ca.gov/wuegrants/index.cfm>

Prop 1 Funding Administered through the Water Board

Storm Water Planning and Implementation Grants (\$200m)

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/grants_loans/swgp/prop1/

Solicitation Workshops are being offered for the Prop 1 SWGP planning and Round 1 implementation grants. The workshops will provide valuable information on how to apply, discussion on each question associated with the applications, and feedback on potential projects.

Seating is limited at each location; therefore, you **must RSVP by January 20, 2016** to secure a spot.

Groundwater Sustainability (\$800m)

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/grants_loans/proposition1/groundwater_sustainability.shtml

Drinking Water (\$260m), Recycled Water (\$625m), and Small Community Wastewater (\$260m) Loans and Grants:

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/grants_loans/proposition1.shtml

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Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (CalOES/FEMA)

- DR-4240 (Valley and Butte Fires) now qualify for HMGP
- Eligible subaward applicants are required to submit a Notice of Interest (NOI) to participate in the HMGP. Eligible subaward applicants include State agencies, local governments, special districts, public colleges and universities, and private non-profit organizations.
- Only NOIs received between December 30, 2015, and midnight on January 29, 2016, will be considered for this funding opportunity. [NOI Link](#)
- Eligible projects must meet the criteria specified in FEMA's 2013 Hazard Mitigation Assistance (HMA) guidance.
- FEMA's HMGP provides up to 75 percent federal share toward the total eligible activity cost. For DR-4240, the federal share may not exceed \$3,000,000.
- Any questions regarding completion of the NOI to HMGP@caloes.ca.gov.

DWR Small Communities Flood Risk Reduction Program

<http://www.water.ca.gov/floodmgmt/funding/scfrr-guidelines.cfm>

- Purpose: To help bring small communities (<10k people) up to the "100-year" flood protection standard.
- Public comment period for draft guidelines and PSP closed on December 28, 2015
- Initially, projects will be limited to feasibility studies. For small communities, the State will fund all reasonable and eligible costs needed to complete a feasibility study, up to a maximum of \$500,000 per applicant. Any amounts incurred over \$500,000 shall be cost shared at 50 percent between the applicant and DWR
- Upon completion of feasibility study, applicants can apply for design/implementation funding.

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