

REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

WESTSIDE Sac IRWMP Coordinating Committee

DATE: November 10, 2020

SCHEDULED TIME: 10:00 AM - Noon

LOCATION: Video only, via Zoom, due to COVID-19 Shelter-in-Place Order. Host – Solano County

Coordinating Committee Members Attending:

County		Representative		Alternate
Solano	✓	Sabrina Colias, SCWA	✓	Chris Lee, SCWA
Napa	✓	Chris Silke, NC Flood District		Richard Thomasser, NC Flood District
Yolo	✓	Elisa Sabatini, WRA	✓	Dr. Max Stevenson, YCFCWCD/WRA
Lake		Scott DeLeon, Lake Cty DWR	✓	Angela DePalma-Dow, Lake Cty DWR

Others Present:

Mattipohto (Matti) Siltanen – State Department of Water Resources; Yolanda Garibay – Grant Manager Lake County Special Districts; Hannah Davidson – Hidden Valley Lake Community Service District (HVLCD); Amanda Hohner – Asst. Professor University of Washington; Matt Cohen – City of Woodland; Jeanette Wrynski – Yolo County Resource Conservation District (RCD)/IRWMP-CC Administrative Coordinator.

- 1. Call Meeting to Order and Introductions.** Chair DeLeon was unable to attend. The meeting was called to order at 10:02 AM by Ms. DePalma-Dow and self-introductions were made.
- 2. Approve Consent Agenda.** Ms. Wrynski stated that she included the YCRCD quarterly report along with the financial update since these were just submitted to SCWA. She inquired whether CC members would like quarterly reports included in the meeting packet along with the RCD financial updates. Lake County would like to see the quarterly reports included whenever the timing fits with bi-monthly CC meetings. ACTION: Approve the Consent Agenda as presented; MOTION: Stevenson; SECOND: Colias; AYES: Unanimous; (DePalma-Dow, Colias, Sabatini).
- 3. Public Comment.** There were no comments from the public.
- 4. Introduction and Recognition of Rick Thomasser, Napa County Flood District Operations Director, as Napa County Alternate to the Westside Sacramento IRWMP Coordinating Committee.** Mr. Silke explained that Mr. Thomasser was unable to be present but introduced him as the Operations Director for the Flood Control District/Project and a 20-year employee. He will be taking the resolution for acceptance of the updated Westside Plan to the District Board of Directors at their next meeting on December 15th.
- 5. DWR Update.** Mr. Siltanen referred to and reviewed the information he provided for the meeting packet, highlighting specific topics and answering questions. The CC may be interested in having a guest-presenter talk about the 8 projects DWR is developing with Prop 68 funds.
- 6. Approve Updated Small Grant Program Guidelines.** The CC discussed the revised guidelines provided and decided to move submission up to March 1 through April 30 so that the final review and decisions would occur at the May meeting each year. The word “unobligated” will be added to the guideline of “no-more-than 25% of Westside funds will be expended per fiscal year.” The CC did not determine a sufficient, unobligated fund balance that would allow a Small Grant Program request for proposals but suggested \$35,000 as a minimum (\$140,000 unallocated X .25 = \$35,000). ACTION: Approve the Small Grant Program Guidelines with language and date updates; MOTION: Colias; SECOND: Stevenson; AYES: Unanimous (DePalma-Dow, Colias, Sabatini, Silke).



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7. **Prop 1 DWR DACI Grant Update.** Ms. Garibay reported that the \$4.7M Prop 1 Grant, which includes 6 projects, is in the final stages of contracting. No construction has started on any of the projects but some engineering designs have been updated and HVLCSD is working on their NOE/Categorical Exemption. Ms. Garibay is lacking documentation from all members of the Regional Water Management Group of formal acceptance or approval of the 2019 Updated Westside Sacramento IRWM Plan. Minutes will substitute temporarily, but a resolution should be passed by each board. Ms. Wrynski will work with Ms. Garibay and CC members to secure all needed documentation. Janet Coppinger, Director of Lake County Special Districts, will be retiring at the end of November.
8. **Update on Westside Website.** Mr. Lee explained that the Westside website was first developed in late 2013 then updated in 2019 with a new layout and photos. Ms. Colias reviewed various web pages and the CC discussed them. Photos are Solano-County-heavy. She requests that CC members send her photos of various IRWM and water-related projects and scenes. Ms. Wrynski will review all website pages; acquire photos from Westside CC members; send Ms. Colias an updated project list once fully completed; work with Ms. Colias on adding a tab for the Small Grants Program, including a list of funded projects, project summaries, and photos; provide documentation of project progress and benefits; and get new logos from all CC members (JPEG's).
9. **Post-Fire Impacts to Drinking Water Potential Application to Delta Science Program.** Ms. DePalma-Dow provided an introduction and background for the topic, which has been under discussion with Professor Hohner – along with attempts to find funding – for approximately 2 years. Prof. Hohner explained the research project concept to investigate impacts to source water quality from large, multi-year fires (burned sediment, ash, chemicals, pH, organic matter and others), including effects on harmful algal blooms and impacts to water treatment requirements. The project would leverage existing pre-fire data going back to the early 2000's. Discussion ensued. The Delta Science Program Draft Request for Proposals was available for review. Ms. DePalma-Dow or Prof. Hohner will contact the Delta Science Program to discuss project fit, Ms. Wrynski will contact Mike Jones, UCCE Forestry Advisor, to determine interest in participating. A letter of intent is due to the Delta Science Program prior to the next Westside meeting; a Special Meeting may need to be held before then.
10. **IRWM DACTI Summit Update.** In the interest of time, Ms. Wrynski briefly reported that the Annual IRWM Summit was very good. It was very focused this year on tribal relationships and inclusion in IRWM and all discussions about IRWM. DWR is putting significant resources into this effort and into training, as are some IRWM Regions in the State. Expect to hear more about this.
11. **CC Member and Administrative Coordinator Reports, Regional Activities and Updates.** Ms. Colias talked about best management practices being installed along Pleasants Creek, including approx. 12 rock weirs and straw placement for erosion prevention by the Solano RCD so as to be ready for rain. Mr. Stevenson reported that well monitoring, through Luhdorf and Scalmanini, for their sustainable groundwater monitoring program has started.
12. **Confirm Next Meeting Date and Location:** Wednesday, January 13, 2021, 10:00 A.M. The rotation is to Yolo County but it will be planned as a virtual meeting via Zoom.
13. **Adjourn** – the meeting was adjourned at 12:00 PM by Ms. DePalma-Dow.

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



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By: Jeanette Wrynski, Administrative Coordinator _____

Chair/Vice-Chair Rotation will be as follows:

1st Year	2nd Year	3rd Year	4th 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



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