

COORDINATING COMMITTEE REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

Date: Wednesday, March 8, 2023

Time: 10:00 – 12:00

Location: Hybrid meeting; remote hosting by Lake County

Coordinating Committee Members Attending:

County		Representative		Alternate
Solano	✓	Max Stevenson, SCWA	✓	Drew Gantner, SCWA
Napa		Chris Silke, NC Flood Control District		Richard Thomasser, NC Flood District
Yolo	✓	Elisa Sabatini, Yolo County Sabrina Snyder, Yolo County	✓	Sarah Leicht, Yolo Subbasin Groundwater Agency
Lake		Marina Deligiannis, Lake County Water Resources Dept.	✓	William Fox, Lake County Water Resources Dept.

Others present: Yolanda Garibay, Lake County Special Districts; Matt Pavelchik, State Water Boards; Alyssa Gordon, HLVCSD; Ryan Fulton, LWA; Angela Islas, CivicWell; Tracy Kent-Stone, West Sacramento; Matti Siltanen, DWR; Terre Logsdon, County of Lake; Celia Taylor, City of Woodland; Hannah Davidson; Katie Burdick; Hannah Davidson, HLVCSD; M Cohen, City of Woodland.

AGENDA

1. Call Meeting to Order and Introductions – Stevenson (5 min) 10:03 A.M.
Recording capabilities unavailable; introductions all around.

2. *Approve Consent Agenda – Stevenson (5 min)

- a. **Approve Today’s Agenda** **To add an item to the agenda, see note below
- b. **Approve Minutes from the January 11, 2023 virtual meeting**
- c. **YCRCD Financial Update** – Reza
- d. **Coordinating Committee Financial Report** – SCWA

Approved: unanimous (Lake, Solano, Yolo)

3. * Public Comment:** This is time reserved for the public to address the Coordinating Committee on matters not on the agenda (5 min)
No public comment.

4. *Consideration of Brown Act: Teleconference, Hybrid or In-person meeting on May 10, 2023.
California’s State of Emergency related to the Covid 19 pandemic will end on February 28, 2023.
The Coordinating Committee can continue to meet virtually if desired following pre-Covid Brown Act requirements – Stevenson (15 min)

Discussion: Max Stevenson – virtual meetings make the meetings more accessible to the public. Continue to meet via zoom and assume legislature will make necessary changes to make it easier to zoom.

(Terre.logsdon@lakecountca.gov)

Terre Logsdon suggested that quorum needs to be present in a room for public to address. Max Stevenson suggests we continue with the meetings as they have been conducted. Sabrina, will check in with her attorney to see what is supposed to happen.
Max would like to wait for legislature to fix it.



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Meet in person next time? Hybrid meetings have limited success. In person, Terre – mentioned climate resiliency – would like to see Brown Act meetings be required to be hybrid to minimize VMT. Participation rate is greater with online access.
William Fox: sentiment of everyone here that all prefer the zoom option.
Max: propose that each agency go back to their counsel and check to see what the options are and we will go from there. Preference is zoom, but will meet in person if necessary.
Sabrina: if Lake County would be able to participate remotely.
CC members to check in with their legal counsel and have a response to Kate by 3/17.
AB 557, sponsored by CSDA, would extend AB361 if agencies chose to support

5. Presentation: State Water Board County-wide and Regional Funding Program – Matthew Pavelchik (20 min)

Mr. Pavelchik provided a presentation which is attached to these minutes.

6. *Lake County: proposal for the Westside Sac IRWM CC to apply to the County-wide and Regional Funding Program – William Fox (10 minutes)

Mr. Fox made a case for a regional proposal to the SWRCB County-wide and Regional Funding Program. Discussion by Max Stevenson: need a fiscal agent. Mr. Fox agreed that a fiscal agent is needed. Sarah can check into whether YSGA could be fiscal sponsor. Asked for a \$ amount. WF: well replacement and repair is largest need in the county. As per Matt: possibility for some \$ to be provided up front (CHECK THIS). Propose for Sarah and William to talk offline and craft details, dollar amounts to give some structure to the proposal. In general, the group supports and traditionally, CC has funded consultant review in the past and it would be a proper use of funds.
MS: propose; WF second the above. Unanimous.

7. Dunnigan Groundwater Recharge Project update – Ryan Fulton, LWA (10 min)

Mr. Fulton provided an update of the project: 90 AF recharge in January, 80 AF recharge in February, expect to be able to recharge using Sac River water this month. Expanding monitoring, working with TNC on tech memo to provide results from fall. Showed video from DWR that highlights Dunnigan Project (<https://water.ca.gov/News/Blog/2023/Jan-23/Capturing-Water-from-Storms-to-Replenish-Groundwater>).
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SB 23 is aiming to simplify the permitting process for water projects (from Alyssa Gordon)

8. DWR Update – Siltanen (10 min)

Mr. Siltanen went through the DWR update PDF with the group, paying special attention to the highlighted opportunities.

9. Drought Roundtable Discussion – Intra-region drought & planning update – Stevenson and all (10 min)

Discussion. Solano: Lake Berryessa; Lake County: great conditions, lots of wells are artesian! Surface water looks great on Clear Lake, doing well from a supply side. Alyssa Gordon have comment on Drought Contingency Plan would like WS IRWM CC meeting, May meeting. Sarah Leicht: Indian Valley Reservoir at 128,000 AF in storage with continued inflow. There will be an irrigation season this year. A couple residents are still waiting for new wells; also recharge through district canals. City of Woodland has been running ASR wells also. Sabrina Snyder: Yolo County in partnership with YCFC are hosting a water awareness forum in May, will distribute info to Kate for distribution to WS lists.

10. *Consideration of Small Grants evaluation process – Stevenson and all (10 min)

Discussion

Extend May meeting? 2.5 or 3 hours to accommodate live scoring? Slightly longer meeting next time.



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Max move to adopt scoring table and have a three-hour meeting in May. SS: second. Unanimous.

11. CC Member and Administrative Coordinator Reports, Regional Activities and Updates – All (10 min)

Discussion. Lake County DAC projects for inclusion in annual report. Send last year's annual report to Max toute suite!

12. Consideration of and planning for an in-person meeting in FY 22/23 – All (10 min)

Discussion

13. Confirm Next Meeting Date and Location – Wednesday, May 10, 2023, 10:00 am, hosted by Napa County.

14. Adjourn

Time of adjournment: 12:00

Respectfully submitted, K Reza, Yolo County RCD

Approved by Westside Sacramento IRWM Coordinating Committee, May 10, 2023



Max Stevenson, Chair

5/10/23



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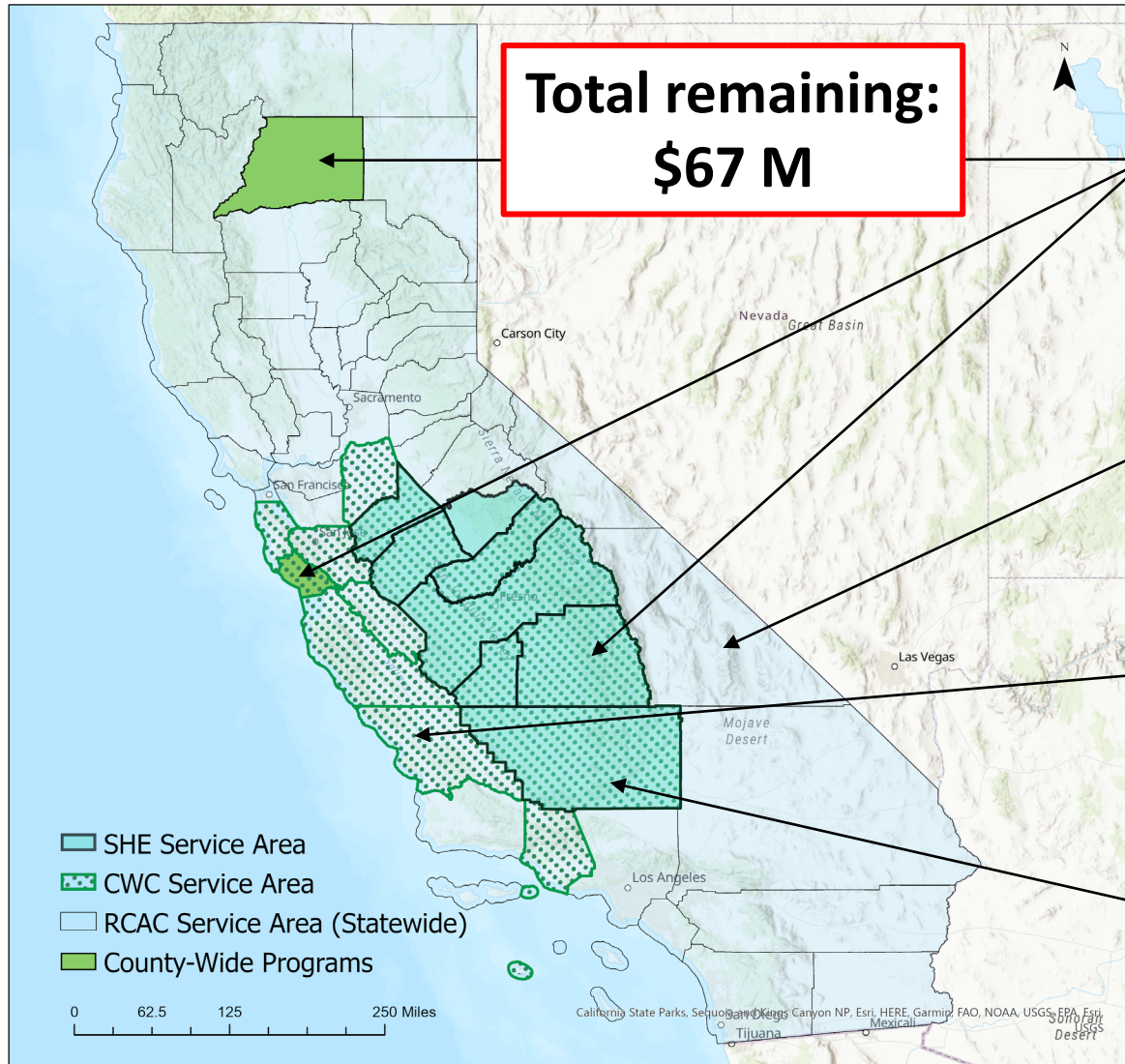
County-Wide and Regional Funding Program

Matt Pavelchik, P.G.
Sr. Engineering Geologist

Agenda

- County-Wide and Regional Funding Programs
 - Current Regional Programs
 - Scope of the Solicitation
 - How Funding Works
 - Next Steps for Counties

Current Regional Programs Available to Respond to Drought



County-Wide Programs: Outreach, Well Testing, Well Repair and Replacement, Bottled Water, Hauled Water and Tanks, POU/POEs, Kiosk filling Stations, Limited-scale Consolidation
Funding Approved: \$3.7 M

Rural Community Assistance Corporation (RCAC)
Statewide Bottled Water (schools) and Well Repair and Replacement
Funding Remaining: \$3.8 M

Community Water Center (CWC): Bottled Water
Funding Remaining: \$938,532

Self-Help Enterprises (SHE): Well Repair and Replacement, Bottled Water, Hauled Water and Tanks, Well Testing, POU/POEs
Funding Remaining: \$58.6 M

Targeted Recipients for Regional Programs

- **Eligible Grant Recipients:**
 - Counties
 - 501(c)(3) Non-Profit organization on behalf of one or more counties
 - Other public agency on behalf of one or more counties
- **Grant Recipients provide assistance to:**
 - State smalls serving a DAC
 - Less than 15 service connections or 25 yearlong residents
 - Domestic wells serving a DAC/low-income household
 - Small DAC public water systems (in some cases)

Target Scope for Regional Programs

- Assessment
 - Community outreach
 - Domestic well testing
- Interim solutions
 - Bottled water
 - Tanks and hauled water
 - Kiosk filling stations
 - Point of Use/Point of Entry (POU/POE) installation and maintenance
- Long-Term Solutions
 - Well repairs and/or replacements
 - Limited-scale consolidation (such as laterals, above ground interties)
 - POU/POE installation and maintenance, in some cases

Funding Limitations

- Funding is prioritized for small DACs and/or low-income households
 - Generally, a community is determined to be disadvantaged if they have an annual median household income (MHI) of less than eighty percent (80%) of the statewide MHI; low-income households generally have an income less than 80% of statewide MHI
- Funding can be provided for well sampling that includes analyses for contaminants with primary maximum contaminant levels (MCLs), secondary MCLs, and for emerging contaminants, however generally funding for solutions must be related to a primary MCL exceedance or drought-related issue
- Proposed period for completing the work under the program generally should not exceed three years

Application Process

- Applicants encouraged to first read the Application and Funding Process Overview Document available on our webpage: [County-wide and Regional Funding Programs | California State Water Resources Control Board](#)
- Applications are submitted through the Financial Assistance Application Submittal Tool (FAAST)
- The application and required attachments are also linked on our webpage
 - Following slides will have more detail on application and attachments
- Applicants encouraged to complete the attachments to the best of their ability during initial submission and State Water Board staff can assist in refining after submission
- Applicants also encouraged to submit any additional attachments or supporting documentation that may supplement their application

General Eligible Costs for Regional Programs

- Personnel: direct staff time spent on project
 - Includes: administration, outreach, coordination with contractors and enrollees, etc.
 - Labor rates can only include salary plus fringe benefit
- Operating Expenses/Implementation: direct project costs such as supplies, and equipment needed to implement the project
- Professional contracted services: work completed by vendors, subcontractors, and/or consultants
- Travel: essential project-related travel
 - Any reimbursement for necessary travel and per diem shall be at rates not to exceed those set by the California Department of Human Resources. These rates may be found at [Travel Reimbursements - CalHR](#).
- Indirect Costs: non-project specific costs of doing business
 - Must clearly breakdown what is included in indirect costs

Application Approval Process

- Once all necessary information is gathered, State Water Board staff will submit a funding recommendation to the DFA Deputy Director for approval
- If funding is approved, the recipient may start implementing the program and costs may start being incurred, however a grant agreement must be executed before reimbursements can be issued
 - Note that any work done prior to grant agreement execution is conducted at the recipient's own risk

Next Step for Counties or Partner Entities

- Review Application and Funding Process Overview document on our webpage: [County-wide and Regional Funding Programs | California State Water Resources Control Board](#)
- Prepare and submit application through [FAAST - Financial Assistance Application Submittal Tool](#)
- If funding is approved, begin program implementation and funding agreement negotiation

Contacts for Solicitation

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Questions?

