

San Diego Regional Storm Water Management Committee Meeting Summary

Thursday, November 16, 2006, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Carlsbad Safety Center, 2560 Orion Way
Carlsbad, CA 92010 Council Chambers

Copermittee

Representatives:

City of Carlsbad – Elaine Lukey	City of National City – Arsalan Dadkhah
City of Coronado – Jorge Ramirez	City of Oceanside – Mo Lahsaie
City of Chula Vista – Khosro Aminpour	City of Poway – Danis Bechter
City of Del Mar – Rosanna Lacarra	City of San Diego – Deborah Castillo
City of El Cajon – Michael Griffiths	City of San Marcos – Ken St. Clair
City of Encinitas – Kathy Weldon	City of Santee – Helen Perry
City of Escondido – Cheryl Filar	City of Solana Beach – Danny King
City of Imperial Beach – Todd Snyder	City of Vista – Jayne Strommer
City of La Mesa – Malik Tamimi	County of San Diego – Kathleen Flannery
City of Lemon Grove – Cora Long	Port of San Diego – Michelle White
	Regional Airport Authority – Richard Gilb

Other Participants:

Sara Agahi – County of San Diego	Kelly Barker – County of San Diego
Jaime Campos – City of El Cajon	Steve Butkis – Weston Solutions
Kelly Doyle – Rick Engineering	Marisa Fontanoz - Regional Airport Authority
Mayra Garcia - Regional Airport Authority	Sheri McPherson – County of San Diego
Kelly Makley – Port of San Diego	Mike Kennedy – Carlsbad Fire Department
Michele Stress - County of San Diego	John Quenzer – DMAX
Erik Steenblock – City of Chula Vista	Summer Waters – County of San Diego
Ralph Vasquez – EBS Environmental	Jason Sapp - County of San Diego
Jack Miller - County of San Diego	Kerry McNeill - County of San Diego
Greg Slawson - County of San Diego	Roshan Sirimanne - MacTec
Jennifer Nichols-Kearns – City of San Diego	Timothy Graham – City of San Diego
Robert Zaino – City of Santee	Mark McPherson - County of San Diego
Cid Tesoro - County of San Diego	

I. Introductions / Program Updates / Announcements

Copermittee representatives introduced themselves and provide updates on significant recent or upcoming activities. Members of the audience introduced themselves and made general announcements.

- City of Oceanside has received \$5 million to fund a project to install a UV treatment facility on Loma Alta Creek
- City of Vista has been awarded grant funds to develop a watershed management plan for Agua Hedionda.
- County has been awarded three grants from the 2006-2007 consolidated grants program. These grants are:
 - Phase 2 of the Porous Pavement Project at the County Operation Center to be managed by the Department of General Services
 - Flinn Springs Porous Pavement Project to be managed by the Department of Parks and Recreation
 - Nutrient Reduction and Monitoring in Santa Margarita Watershed to be managed by the Watershed Protection Program, Department of Public Works.

- An Integrated Regional Water Management Plan is currently being drafted. A draft will be ready for public release on February 22, 2007. Proposition 50 Cycle 2 solicitation is expected to occur in mid-2007. The recently passed Proposition 84 has \$91 million allocated to the San Diego sub-region for projects that implement integrated regional water management plans. In addition, the recently passed Proposition 1E has \$300 million available to fund stormwater flood control projects that are consistent with the implementation of integrated regional water management plans.

II. Google Calendar as a Tool for Coordinating Copermittee Work

Mikhail Ogawa presented information on two internet based tools that may be helpful for coordinating Copermittee work – the first is an internet-based calendar, Google Calendar, which could help track the myriad of Copermittee meetings each month, and the second is a document sharing and tracking tool called Share Point Services. This presentation was intended to introduce Copermittees to some readily accessible tools that could be used during by the Copermittees during the next permit cycle.

Google calendar can be used at no cost. However, if it is decided to use this tool there would be a need to provide initial setup and then delegate the on-going input to the lead of each workgroup. Share Point Services would also require some management of the application and costs approximately \$100 per month for 1 gigabit of storage data. The Copermittees were asked to consider using these tools and will be discussing them further during the MOU discussions.

III. Administrative Issues

Agricultural Wavier – The San Diego Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB) is sponsoring a workshop on Nov. 28 from 10 – noon at the Oceanside City Council Chambers to discuss potential modifications to the Agricultural waivers with stakeholders. There will be a presentation of the current conditions for complying and the shortcomings that have been identified. Following will be an open forum to discuss improvements that will allow the waivers to be more enforceable and to help identify and characterize the pollutant loads from the agricultural land uses.

13267 Lagoon Order – The RWQCB revised the Lagoon order (R9-2006-0076) and sent out an addendum on November 3rd. The revision removed San Marcos as a responsible party from Batiquitos lagoon watershed and added one month to the timeline for the delivery of the monitoring workplan. The Southern California Coastal Water Research Project (SCCWRP) has offered to facilitate working out technical concerns and to provide assistance in developing an integrated monitoring workplan for all the lagoons listed in the order.

Tentative Order No. R9-2006-0011 – The draft stormwater permit is still scheduled to be adopted by the RWQCB at the December 13th meeting.

IV. San Diego Regional Water Quality Control Board Update

Chiara Clemente provided an update for the RWQCB. She reiterated the updates provided on the Agricultural wavier, the 13267 Lagoon order and the Stormwater permit. She added the following information:

- The Permit hearing is still scheduled for December 13th however it remains unclear if this hearing for the Permit will be open for public comment.
- RWQCB staff is reviewing **all** wavier language not just the Agricultural wavier.
- A list of recipients of grants in Region 9 from the recent Consolidated grants application process can be found at <http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/funding/consolidgrants0506.html>

V. Approval of Funding for Expenditure of \$4,817.20 Balance Left Over from Think Blue IPM PSA Toward the Sponsorship an Advanced Community Based Social Marketing (CBSM) Workshop

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Copermittees were asked to approve the use of \$4,817.20 in unexpended fiscal year 2005-06 regional outreach funds toward the total cost of the Workshop. Deborah Castillo with the City of San Diego described the proposed activity to conduct an advanced CBSM Workshop and invited the Copermittees to participate in

the workshop. By a unanimous vote, the Management Committee approved the use of unexpended outreach funds from fiscal year 2005-06.

VI. County of San Diego BMP Vector Control Program

Jack Miller, and Greg Slawson, with the County of San Diego Vector Control Program, discussed vector-related issues associated with stormwater treatment devices. The Copermittees expressed a willingness to work with the Vector Control Program to identify breeding sites within their jurisdictions and asked staff to provide them with the sites already in their inventory to assist in the process. The presentation can be found at <http://www.projectcleanwater.org/pdf/copermittees/stormwatervector-11-2006.pdf>

VII. City of Encinitas UV Treatment Facility at Moonlight Beach

Katherine Weldon and Paul Hartman provided a presentation on the implementation of the Moonlight Beach Urban Runoff Treatment Facility (UV Facility). This facility was constructed using funds obtained through the Clean Beaches Initiatives grant program. It was brought on-line in August 2002 and has been operating successfully for 3.5 years. This presentation discussed recent monitoring and effectiveness assessment of the facility. The presentation can be found at www.ci.encinitas.ca.us/Resident/Environment/CleanWP/

VIII. Workgroup Updates

MOU Workgroup – Work continues on drafting the structure and roles for the Copermittee Management. The next meeting is on November 30 to continue this discussion.

Regional WURMP Workgroup – WURMP leads last met on October 13. Kelly Barker requested that the WURMP leads turn in the WURMP Annual Reports to her at the next Copermittee Management meeting on January, 18, 2007. Reports that are not available at that time can be dropped off at the County offices no later than Friday, January 26, 2007. Kelly needs 3 hard copies (1 for the RWQCB, 2 for the County) and 3 CD-ROM (2 for the RWQCB, and 1 for the County).

Education Workgroup – An RFP for the Regional Education Plan is currently open, and closes November 30. The County of San Diego Healthy Garden Healthy Home is sponsoring an effort on County Television Network's "Down to Earth" show to focus on residential best management practices to reduce pesticide use, over-irrigation, over fertilization and prevent soil erosion. Next meeting will be on January 17th. Meeting location and time are still to be determined.

Hydromodification Workgroup – Copermittees will begin discussing the development of the hydromodification plan. First meeting is scheduled for December 6th.

Monitoring Workgroup – Weston Solutions has sent out the draft Wet Weather and Bioassessment Monitoring Report. The Copermittees are requested to submit final comments to Weston by December 4th. The Monitoring Workgroup will meet Tuesday, November 28, 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and again on Tuesday, December 12, 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Both meeting will be held at the County offices, 9325 Hazard Way, San Diego, CA 92123.

Dry Weather Sub-workgroup – The Dry Weather sub-workgroup met on November 15th to discuss data submittals for the 2006 dry weather season. In addition, the Dry Weather sub-workgroup will be developing protocols and recommendations on the measurement of dissolved copper and the assessment of trash. The next meeting has not been scheduled.

Coastal Stormdrain Sub-workgroup – The Coastal Stormdrain Sub-workgroup is currently working on the annual report. Data have been compiled and through QA/QC, and the report is currently being written. The next meeting is not currently scheduled.

IX. Other Business

Mo Lahsaie with the City of Oceanside informed the Copermitees that the California Department of Fish and Game recently visited the San Luis Rey River and is assessing the river as a potential river for the restoration of steelhead fish.

X. Next Meeting

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Copermitee Management Committee will take place on Thursday, January 18, 2007 in the City of Chula Vista from 10:00 to noon.