

SAN DIEGO RIVER WATERSHED MANAGEMENT AREA
WATER QUALITY IMPROVEMENT PLAN WORKGROUP

MEETING SUMMARY

COUNTY OPERATIONS CENTER
5510 OVERLAND AVE., ROOM 451, SAN DIEGO, CA 92123
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2018 10:00-12:00 PM

MEETING START 10:06

MEETING ATTENDEES

NAMES	ORGANIZATION	VOTING MEMBER
Joe Kuhn	City of La Mesa	Yes
Jim Harry	City of San Diego	Yes
Ruth de la Rosa	County of San Diego	Yes
Stephanie Gaines	County of San Diego	No
John Phillips	City of El Cajon	Yes
Cecilia Tipton	City of Santee	Yes
John Quenzer	D-Max Engineering	No
Roya Yazdanifard	Caltrans	No
Sheri Dister	Weston Solutions	No
Amy Margolis	Weston Solutions	No
Michelle Mattson (telephone)	Weston Solutions	No

AGENDA ITEM 3: OPPORTUNITY FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO SPEAK ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA (LIMIT TO 3 MINUTES)

No comments were given.

AGENDA ITEM 4: APPROVAL OF MEETING SUMMARIES – VOTING ITEM

The meeting summary from November 14, 2018 was approved.

DESCRIPTION	APPROVAL OF SDR MEETING SUMMARY (November 14, 2018)
MOTION	Motion to approve SDR Meeting Summary from November 14, 2018.
MOTIONED BY	John Phillips
SECONDED BY	Jim Harry
CALL FOR DISCUSSION	None
CALL TO VOTE	Motion Passed [4 Yes, 0 No] (City of Santee was absent during vote.)

AGENDA ITEM 5: FISCAL YEAR 2018-2019 WORKGROUP BUDGET – VOTING ITEM

Ruth (County of San Diego) presented slides and noted budget revisions. There will be no vote on monitoring revisions, as the group is waiting for City of San Diego approval. The vote will take place by email. A unanimous vote is needed for the Forester Creek Bacteria TMDL follow up monitoring and Microbial Source Tracking (MST) special study budget.

- The water quality monitoring budget was updated to include new 303d constituents, to be cost shared among the group.
- The Bacteria TMDL lab analysis budget was updated to include sharing costs and using the County Public Health lab (costs were previously covered by the County).
- Forester Creek Bacteria TMDL follow ups (new budget item) and MST study (revised budget item) – cost shared between County and Cities of El Cajon and Santee.
 - A workplan overview was provided and comments were received. Edits will be made but do not affect the budget.

DESCRIPTION	APPROVAL OF FORESTER CREEK BUDGET ITEMS Voting Members: County of San Diego, City of El Cajon, and City of Santee
MOTION	Motion to approve Forester Creek Budget Items.
MOTIONED BY	John Phillips
SECONDED BY	Stephanie Gaines
CALL FOR DISCUSSION	None
CALL TO VOTE	Motion Passed [3 Yes, 0 No]

AGENDA ITEM 6: SAN DIEGO WATER BOARD STORM WATER MANAGEMENT UNIT LEAD

There is a new San Diego Water Board lead for the San Diego River WMA – Helen Yu. She is also assigned to San Diego Bay and Tijuana River WMAs, and plans to attend February workgroup meetings to go over reports and come up to speed.

AGENDA ITEM 7: WATER QUALITY MONITORING UPDATE

Michelle (Weston) provided the following update:

- Wet weather MS4 monitoring was conducted at one outfall on December 5 (MS4-SDR-2). Monitoring was also planned at MS4-SDR-1 but was postponed due to atypical dry weather flows the day before the storm.
- Bacteria TMDL wet weather monitoring was conducted on November 30, 2018. Due to the inability to access monitoring location SDR-MLS (due to construction activities), monitoring was conducted downstream at Fashion Valley Rd. Results were compared to the single sample maximum receiving water limitations. All three indicator bacteria were above the objectives at all four creek sites. There were no exceedances at the ocean site, FM-010.

- Bacteria TMDL dry weather monitoring was conducted on November 19, 2018. Results for all three indicator bacteria were above the geometric mean receiving water limitation at SDR-FC1, SDR-FC-2 and SDR-MLS. Fecal coliform and *Enterococcus* were above the geometric mean receiving water limitation at SDR-CDE. There were no exceedances at the ocean site, FM-010.
- Alternatives are being considered for the SDR-MLS location due to the inability to access the site on November 30. During the storm, staff went to the closest downstream location at Fashion Valley Rd. Since that time, a code has been received for the construction gate, so staff should be able to access the usual SDR-MLS location in the future. However, there is a need to figure out a backup in case anything changes. Potential backups include the downstream Fashion Valley Rd. location or an upstream location. An upstream location would mean that impacts from some commercial activities may not be included in the sample, and a downstream location would mean potential impacts from the construction. The group preference for the backup location is upstream if SDR-MLS is not accessible. The City of San Diego representative was not present during the vote. The group will confirm that this is satisfactory for the City prior to dry weather sampling on Monday.

AGENDA ITEM 8: WATER QUALITY IMPROVEMENT PLAN 2017-18 ANNUAL REPORT

Sheri (Weston Solutions) led a discussion of the annual report status

- Comments were due on Monday. A few comments have been received.
 - The County indicated that they have substantial comments, but most are editorial. The County prefers that outcomes are before monitoring (i.e., Sections 3 and 4 are reversed).
 - The County would also prefer to minimize the introduction section.
 - The County requested clickable links to other sections of the report and appendices in the crosswalk at the beginning of the document.
 - The WQIP process flow chart will be color coded to show that the Participating Agencies are now in the implementation phase.
 - The group discussed the progress to goals graphs. The County requested that the baseline, results, and goals are shown as bars.
 - The group discussed goals where a baseline is not relevant (e.g., project complete or not). These graphics will be improved but will remain in the report.
 - The large table with progress to goals details may be moved to an appendix and a higher level summary table may be added to the beginning of the progress to goals section.
 - The isotope study will be added to the County section in the main report¹.

¹ Subsequent comments resulted in the inclusion of this study in the special studies section of the report.

- County comments will be posted soon for the group to review, and the report deadline will be extended to give all jurisdictions time for review and give Weston time to make updates.
- City of San Diego information has not yet been submitted (i.e., highlights for Section 4, progress to goals, and Famosa Slough WQIP update text and attachment). This information will be available this week. The City requests that graphs for their section remain as-is.
- The final report was scheduled for submittal to the Participating Agencies on Monday the 17th; the deadline will be extended to Friday the 21st.
- The group discussed potential improvements to the executive summary TMDL results table, such as splitting columns instead of using commas.
- The group discussed moving monitoring pages of the executive summary to the last two pages after the jurisdictional pages. A summary of all jurisdictions' progress could be included at the beginning, followed by two jurisdictions per page without progress details. It was decided to keep the order as-is this year and focus on updates to the main report due to time constraints. The group will discuss streamlining strategies and progress next year.
- Roya (Caltrans) requested a statement in the executive summary indicating that Caltrans is participating voluntarily but is regulated under a different Permit. This statement does appear in the main body of the report but will be added to the executive summary.

AGENDA ITEM 9: TENTATIVE INVESTIGATIVE ORDER

A new draft of the Investigative Order is expected on February 13.

AGENDA ITEM 10: JURISDICTIONAL UPDATE

Ruth reminded the group of tomorrow's RMC meeting and budget voting items. No other updates were given.

AGENDA ITEM 11: OTHER ITEMS

No other items were given.

AGENDA ITEM 12: NEXT RECURRING WORKGROUP MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled for January 9, 2019 from 10–12 pm.

Meeting end 12:05.