

SAN DIEGO RIVER WATERSHED MANAGEMENT AREA
WATER QUALITY IMPROVEMENT PLAN WORKGROUP

MEETING SUMMARY

COUNTY OPERATIONS CENTER
5510 OVERLAND AVE., ROOM 472, SAN DIEGO, CA 92123
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2019 10:00-12:00 PM

MEETING START 10:00

MEETING ATTENDEES

NAME	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	No
Joanna Wisniewska	County of San Diego	Yes
John Phillips	City of El Cajon	Yes
Cecilia Tipton	City of Santee	Yes
Sheri Dister	Weston Solutions	No
Amy Margolis	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 members of the public were present.

AGENDA ITEM 4: APPROVAL OF MEETING SUMMARIES – VOTING ITEM

The meeting summary from January 9, 2019 was approved.

DESCRIPTION	APPROVAL OF SDR MEETING SUMMARY (January 9, 2019)
MOTION	Motion to approve SDR Meeting Summary from January 9, 2019.
MOTIONED BY	John Phillips
SECONDED BY	Jim Harry
CALL FOR DISCUSSION	None
CALL TO VOTE	Motion Passed [4 Yes, 0 No] The City of Santee was not present for the vote.

AGENDA ITEM 5: FISCAL YEAR 2019-2020 WORKGROUP BUDGET – VOTING ITEM

Ruth (County of San Diego) asked if there were questions about not to exceed (NTE) limits in the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU). The workgroup did not have issues or questions. Ruth presented slides and passed out a handout showing the budget.

- Ruth walked through the budget tasks at a high level and noted some minor adjustments.
- If the MOU is not signed until later in the year, the County intends to cover costs and invoice the other jurisdictions later.
- The group voted on the budget that was reviewed, and unanimously approved.

DESCRIPTION	APPROVAL OF FISCAL YEAR 2019-2020 WORKGROUP BUDGET
MOTION	Motion to approve the 2019-2020 Workgroup budget as is.
MOTIONED BY	John Phillips
SECONDED BY	Joe Kuhn
CALL FOR DISCUSSION	None
CALL TO VOTE	Motion Passed [5 Yes, 0 No]

AGENDA ITEM 6: WATER QUALITY MONITORING UPDATE

Joanna (County of San Diego) provided the following update:

- Wet weather MS4 monitoring was conducted at MS4-SDR-4 on January 31. All five stations have been monitored and wet weather outfall monitoring in SDR is now complete for the monitoring year.
- Bacteria TMDL dry weather monitoring was conducted on January 22. Results for all three indicator bacteria were above the geometric mean receiving water limitations at all four creek sites. Enterococcus exceeded the geometric mean receiving water limitation at the ocean site, FM-010. 2 of 3 wet weather events have been conducted to date. Sheri (Weston Solutions) noted that the 3rd event is planned for Friday, which will complete wet weather TMDL monitoring for the year.
- The group briefly discussed whether monthly geometric means rather than rolling geometric means may make a difference in the results. Dry weather samples collected from October to March are monthly.
- Joanna discussed the data summary from Geosyntec on the Forester Creek follow-up monitoring. Joanna will forward the summary to the group. Data are not final and are for informational purposes for the workgroup. The group discussed the potential for a reporting limit for HF183 based on recent studies, which may in the future reduce the number of “hits” to only meaningful concentrations of HF183. One more round of monitoring will be conducted, which should be completed this monitoring year.

AGENDA ITEM 7: DRY WEATHER TMDL TARGETS

Ruth led a discussion and presentation of the upcoming interim TMDL dry weather target.

- The dry weather TMDL interim compliance date is April 4 2020 for all jurisdictions except the City of San Diego, which has a compliance date of April 4 2019. The final compliance date is April 4 2021 for all jurisdictions.
- The six compliance pathways (from WQIP) were reviewed.
- Progress to date was reviewed. Goals have been met for total and fecal coliform at the beach but not for Enterococcus at the beach or for all indicator bacteria at creek sites. This is just one of the six compliance pathways.
- The group discussed Permit provision E.6.d.(2)a, which requires additional monitoring to determine source(s) of exceedances. There is already work being done above the minimum requirements of the Permit (e.g., Forester Creek follow-up monitoring and source identification efforts undertaken by each jurisdiction). The TMDL monitoring plan may need to be updated.
- Adaptive management to update goals, strategies, and/or the monitoring program may also be considered in the future.
- It is likely that interim TMDL dry weather goals will not be met throughout the region. The next WQIP annual report should emphasize that the watershed is going above and beyond the minimum monitoring requirements of the Permit and strategies have been enhanced. Programs should be linked to more effectively tell a cohesive story as the TMDL interim compliance date approaches.
- Regulatory updates that are expected to eventually transition the focus from FIB to human sources may be addressed, if appropriate.
- The group discussed encampments as a long term problem that will not be solved before the target compliance dates.
- This conversation will continue over the next several months.

AGENDA ITEM 8: TENTATIVE INVESTIGATIVE ORDER

The Tentative Investigative Order (TIO) is still under review. The next San Diego Water Board meeting, where the TIO may potentially be issued, is scheduled for March 13. The next workgroup meeting, scheduled for the same day, will be rescheduled, likely for March 27th.

AGENDA ITEM 9: JURISDICTIONAL UPDATE

Ruth asked if the group had jurisdictional updates.

- Ruth noted that the County successfully submitted the WQIP Annual Report, and thanked everyone for the hard work and Weston for incorporating last minute changes.
- El Cajon's subcontractor is investigating which compliance pathway is most feasible for TMDL compliance.

AGENDA ITEM 10: OTHER ITEMS

No other items were given.

AGENDA ITEM 11: NEXT RECURRING WORKGROUP MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled for March 13, 2019 from 10–12 pm.

Meeting end 11:48.