

**San Diego Region Municipal Stormwater Permit
Copermittee Management Committee**

Meeting Summary

Thursday, January 15, 2004, 10:15 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Mission Valley Branch Library, 2123 Fenton Parkway, San Diego, CA 92108

Copermittee
Representatives:

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| City of Carlsbad – Jayne Strommer | City of Oceanside – Mo Lahsaie |
| City of Chula Vista – Muna Cuthbert | City of Poway – Danis Bechter |
| City of Coronado – Scott Huth | City of San Diego – Ruth Kolb |
| City of Del Mar – Mikhail Ogawa | City of San Marcos – Jasen Boyens |
| City of El Cajon – Julie Hampel | City of Santee – Erik Steenblock |
| City of Encinitas – Meleah Ashford | City of Solana Beach – Dan King |
| City of Escondido – Cheryl Filar | City of Vista – Keri Martinez |
| City of Imperial Beach – Steve Kerr | County of San Diego – Jon Van Rhyn |
| City of La Mesa – Steve Clark | Port of San Diego – Karen Helyer |
| City of Lemon Grove – Bruce Charest | SD County Airport Authority – Richard Gilb |
| City of National City – Din Daneshfar | |

Other Participants:

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| Stacey Baczkowski – RWQCB, San Diego | N. Grima – City of San Diego Water Dept. |
| Arsalan Dadkhah – DMAX Engineering | John Brandt – MACTEC |
| Paul Davy – County of San Diego | Ben Cowart – Kepner Plastics |
| Marsha Cook – County of San Diego | Nancy Gardiner – Brown & Caldwell |
| Robin Miller – City of Poway | Brian Gordon – U.S. Navy |
| Anne Lee – Foley & Lardner | Lisa Kay – MEC Analytical |
| Jeff Murphy – County of San Diego | Rosanna Lacarra – MEC Analytical |
| Todd Snyder – County of San Diego | Kelly Moewe – Port of San Diego |
| Gabriel Solmer – San Diego Bay Keeper | Michele Stress – County of San Diego |
| Bev Stumman – Downstream Services | Ralph Vasquez – EBS Environmental |
| Mark Williams – EDAW, Inc. | Nancy Winiarz – Port of San Diego |
| Marvin Winters – Sure Clean Pressure Washing | Sean Bolton – U.S. Navy |

I. Introductions / Program Updates / Announcements

Jon Van Rhyn, County of San Diego, opened the meeting by asking Copermittee representatives to provide brief updates on their programs. In the interest of time, most Copermittees limited their updates to a description of recent progress on their Jurisdictional Urban Runoff Management Program (JURMP) Annual Reports, which are due to the Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB) by the end of January.

Other members of the audience then introduced themselves in turn. There were no announcements.

II. Administrative Issues

Jon Van Rhyn, County of San Diego, provided the administrative update. He noted that Copermittees should deliver two hard copies and three CDs of their Annual Reports to the County of San Diego by January 28, 2004.

III. San Diego Regional Water Quality Control Board Update

Stacey Baczkowski, RWQCB, provided the update. She noted that four Copermittees were delinquent in paying their annual waste discharge fees to the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB). She indicated that all payments should be made immediately. Ms. Baczkowski also noted that the RWQCB is looking forward to reviewing Copermittee Annual Reports upon completion.

IV. Discussion of Municipal Permit Renewal Issues

Jon Van Rhyn, County of San Diego, opened this discussion with a reminder that Attachment C to the Municipal Permit requires Copermittees to apply for new waste discharge requirements no later than 180 days prior to expiration of the existing order (by August 2005). He mentioned the need for an ad hoc workgroup to address this important issue. Copermittees were in general agreement with this approach, and several signed up to participate.

Stacey Baczkowski indicated that RWQCB staff is currently at work on the format of the new Permit, and would definitely be interested in participating in such a workgroup. She anticipated that an internal decision on the direction of the new Permit would be reached in February or March 2004.

V. Discussion of FY 2004-05 Shared Costs

Ruth Kolb, City of San Diego and Budget Workgroup Chair, presented the Workgroup's proposed shared costs budget for FY 2004-05. This includes the following proposed elements and costs:

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| Regional Monitoring Program | \$ 992,000 |
| Regional Outreach Activities | \$ 40,000 |
| California Stormwater Quality Association (CASQA) Membership | \$ 15,000 |
| Total Costs | \$ 1,047,000 |

This proposed budget represents an increase of \$ 67,508 over current FY 2003-04 costs, \$ 65,000 of which is for the expansion of the annual monitoring report to include an analysis of data from dry weather monitoring, coastal storm drain monitoring, and special studies. The amounts proposed for regional outreach and CASQA fees remain unchanged. Ms. Kolb provided an overview of proposed changes from the Copermittees' FY 03-04 budget. Jon Van Rhyn also explained why some regional monitoring costs have been "carried over" from one fiscal year to the next, resulting in an apparent net decrease in some budgeted costs. For FY 04-05, this applies in particular to the Ambient Bay, Lagoon, and Coastal Water Monitoring element, which was "over-budgeted" in FY 03-04 because most of the budgeted work was not actually conducted until the next fiscal year.

Copermittees will be asked to approve this proposed budget at the next Management Committee meeting on March 18, 2004.

VI. Approval of JURMP Annual Report Common Activities Section *APPROVED*

Hard copies of the Draft JURMP Annual Report Common Activities Section were distributed to all Copermittees. This report describes all JURMP-related activities conducted collaboratively by the Copermittees during FY 2002-03. There were no recommendations to modify the draft. Julie Hampel, City of El Cajon, moved to approve the document as presented. Muna Cuthbert, City of Chula Vista, seconded the motion. Approval was unanimous.

VII. Approval of WURMP Annual Report Common Activities Section *APPROVED*

Hard copies of the Draft WURMP Annual Report Common Activities Section were distributed to all Copermittees. This report describes all watershed-related activities conducted collaboratively by the Copermittees during FY 2002-03. There were no recommendations to modify the draft. Jon Van Rhyn, County of San Diego, moved to approve the document as presented. Ruth Kolb, City of San Diego, seconded the motion. Approval was unanimous.

VIII. Workgroup Updates

WURMP Workgroup – There was no update for this workgroup.

Monitoring Workgroup – Jon Van Rhyn indicated that Monitoring Workgroup co-chair Jo Ann Weber was not available to provide the update. Comments on the Copermittees' 2002-03 Annual Monitoring Report are due to the County of San Diego (cc: Lisa Kay, MEC Analytical) by Friday, January 16 at 4 p.m.

- The next meeting of the Monitoring Workgroup is March 11 at the City of San Diego Metro Biosolids facility at 5240 Convoy Street.
- The next meeting of the Dry Weather Monitoring Workgroup is February 17 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the County offices at 9325 Hazard Way.
- The next meeting of the Coastal Stormdrain Monitoring Workgroup is February 19 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the City of Carlsbad (1635 Faraday Avenue, Room 173A).

Outreach Workgroup – Marsha Cook, County of San Diego, provided the update. She noted that the current year's budget still has \$1,600 available. The Workgroup would like to consider printing watershed maps for each jurisdiction. Also, the *Green Wrench Guide* has been translated to Spanish by the Barrio Logan Environmental Justice Pollution Prevention and Compliance Assistance Task Force, and will be available to Copermittees soon. Both the *Green Wrench Guide* and the *What's Cookin'* guide may be re-ordered by any interested jurisdiction (English only at this time). Each order will be invoiced separately. Posters for automotive businesses and restaurants will also be printed and available for those who would like to order. Finally, Ms. Cook encouraged all Copermittees to send a representative to Outreach Workgroup meetings, or otherwise e-mail her ideas, comments, and suggestions. Workgroup participation is beginning to wane. The next meeting of the Outreach Workgroup will be held on March 9, 2004 at the City of San Diego's offices on B St. from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Data and Information Management Workgroup – There was no update for this Workgroup.

Long-Term Effectiveness Assessment Workgroup - Jon Van Rhyn, County of San Diego and Workgroup Chair, indicated that the Workgroup would reconvene sometime in late February or March. He noted that the California Stormwater Quality Association (CASQA) has formed a similar group, which will hold its first meeting on February 23 in Burbank.

BMP Workgroup – Julie Hampel, City of El Cajon and Workgroup Chair, indicated that the Workgroup would reconvene in early March. A date will be posted on the Copermittee web page at http://www.projectcleanwater.org/html/wg_coperm_bmps.html.

IX. Other Business

Marvin Winters, Sure Clean Pressure Washing, detailed several recent instances of failures to implement best management practices (BMPs) during pressure washing activity. He also claimed to have received no response after attempts to report violations via several jurisdictional hotlines. Mr. Winters opined that code enforcement officers should be assigned to patrol during the hours of 11 p.m. and 7 a.m. – when most pressure washing occurs. He expressed the desire to see the implementation of a voluntary permitting system for pressure washers modeled on those in other regions of the state. Finally, he suggested that a regional database containing information about illegal discharges would be a useful resource.

With regard to the issue of a regional database containing information about illegal discharges, Julie Hampel, City of El Cajon, noted that she has recently developed a database that captures this type of information. Karen Helyer, Port of San Diego, indicated that the EDAIMS database, which has been discussed among Copermittees at various times over the past year, is also capable of this function, and is still open to interested cities.

Mo Lahasia, City of Oceanside, noted that he has approached MEC about developing a plan to address some of the issues identified in a recent letter from the RWQCB to jurisdictions with harbors and bays. This letter addressed various requirements to identify sources of harbor pollution and mitigation measures.

Erik Steenblock, City of Santee, noted that the RWQCB has begun to perform audits of jurisdictional Standard Urban Storm Water Mitigation Plans (SUSMPs). He asked RWQCB staff whether additional cities would be audited. Stacey Baczkowski, RWQCB, answered that additional audits are likely, but that she did not know when. She also noted that EPA has approved Tetra Tech to hold a SUSMP workshop in the near future. No date has been set, but it is planned for Summer 2004. The SUSMP audits would provide useful feedback for the conduct of the workshop.

X. Next Meeting

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Management Committee is Thursday, March 18, 2004 from 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. at the same location.