

**San Diego Regional Stormwater Copermittees  
Regional Management Committee Meeting  
Meeting Summary**

**June 17, 2010**

Santee City Hall, Building 8  
10601 Magnolia Avenue, Santee, CA 92071

Copermittee  
Representatives:

City of Carlsbad – <b>Elaine Lukey</b>	City of Oceanside – <b>Mo Lahsaie</b>
City of Chula Vista – <b>Khosro Aminpour</b>	City of Poway – <b>Malik Tamimi</b>
City of Coronado – <b>Rosanna Lacarra</b>	City of San Diego – <b>Kris McFadden</b>
City of El Cajon – <b>Jaime Campos</b>	City of Santee – <b>Helen Perry</b>
City of Encinitas – <b>Erik Steenblock</b>	City of Vista – <b>Paul Hartman</b>
City of Escondido – <b>Cheryl Filar</b>	County of San Diego – <b>Jon Van Rhyn</b>
City of Imperial Beach – <b>Chris Helmer</b>	Port of San Diego – <b>Karen Holman</b>
City of La Mesa – <b>Joe Kuhn</b>	Regional Airport Authority – <b>Annie Martin</b>
City of National City – <b>Arsalan Dadkhah</b>	

Other  
Participants:

<b>Sara Agahi</b> – County of San Diego	<b>Sheri McPherson</b> – County of San Diego
<b>Marisa Soriano</b> – City of Chula Vista	<b>Todd Snyder</b> – County of San Diego
<b>Nancy Appel</b> – County of San Diego	<b>Christina Arias</b> – San Diego RWQCB
<b>Rachel Borgatti</b> – County of San Diego	<b>Delores Brandon</b> – County of San Diego
<b>David Renfrew</b> – Weston Solutions	<b>Christian Braun</b> - GeoSyntec
<b>Richard Lucera</b> - RBF	<b>Karen Melvin</b> – County of San Diego
<b>Christine Sloan</b> – County of San Diego	<b>Eric Mosolgo</b> – Brown and Caldwell
<b>Jill Witkowski</b> – San Diego Coastkeeper	<b>Jay Shrake</b> - Mactec
<b>David Roberts</b> – Nautilus Environmental	<b>Amanda Archenhold</b> - Mactec

**1. Introductions and Announcements**

Copermittee representatives introduced themselves and provide the following updates:

- Mo Lahsaie noted that there will be an Agriculture Workshop in Escondido at the Farm Bureau Offices, 1670 E. Valley Parkway - Escondido, CA 92027 on June 24<sup>th</sup> from 11:15 am to 2:00 pm.
- Sheri McPherson mentioned the on-going call for projects for the San Diego Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) Program. Projects to be considered for the upcoming round of funding need to be in the project database by August 2<sup>nd</sup>. The project database and details on submitting projects can be found at: <http://www.rmewater.com/clients/sdirwmp/funding.html>
- City of San Diego is hiring a Storm Water Pollution Prevention Inspector II position. June 29<sup>th</sup> is the closing date for the application. Information on this position can be found at: <http://apps.sandiego.gov/pjaol8/bulletins/4690.pdf>
- Kris McFadden, with the City of San Diego, solicited the Copermittees to submit letters to support Senate Bill 346, the Brake Pad Partnership, intended to reduce copper and

other substances released from brake friction materials from entering our streams and creeks. This bill scheduled to be heard in ASM Environmental Safety and Toxic Materials Committee on June 21<sup>st</sup>, therefore its crucial that letters be sent as soon as possible. For more information, please contact Ruth Kolb at rkolb@sandiego.gov.

## **2. Administrative Issues**

Jon Van Rhyn provided the following administrative updates:

- The MOU Amendment is close to being complete and is expected to be wrapped up this week. The finalized MOU Amendment will be scanned and copies distributed to all Copermittees. A check will be paid to the Port of San Diego to cover expenditures exceeding their cost-share contribution from the previous fiscal year.

## **Updates and Presentations**

### **3. Regional Board Update**

Christina Arias with the Regional Water Quality Control Board provided the following administrative updates:

- Due to the lack of a quorum at the Board Meeting, adoption of the Hydromodification Management Plan (HMP) Board Resolution has been postponed to July 14<sup>th</sup>.
- Regional Board staff is willing to work with the Copermittees on the Report of Waste Discharge (ROWD). Christina suggested meeting soon before the ROWD effort begins to discuss the direction the Copermittees are interested in going.

### **4. Industrial and Commercial Sources Workgroup Update**

Karen Holman, one of the Co-chairs of the Copermittees' Industrial/Commercial Sources Workgroup, provided an update on the Workgroup's FY 2009-10 and 2010-11 priorities and plans. The Workgroup established the following objectives: 1) Facilitate efforts to work together; 2) Standardize information and processes; 3) Develop standard templates for reporting information; 4) Improve assessment of industrial and commercial related information; 5) Conduct regional industrial and commercial outreach; and 6) Conduct regional efforts cost-effectively.

Karen provided an overview of work conducted on the following tasks during FY 2009-10:

- Task 2G: Inspection Standards – The workgroup has developed an Industrial/Commercial Inspection Standards Guidance Document designed to allow for a baseline level of assessment of inspection information and for use inspection training for four core activities. This Guidance document is scheduled to be approved by the workgroup by the end of this fiscal year.
- Task 2H: Regional Industrial & Commercial Assessment - The workgroup identified the development of a Stationary Inventory Template as a mechanism to allow for both regional and watershed scale interpretation of information. This effort is ongoing. The next steps will be to complete the inventory, fully develop assessment tools, package the information for use in the Long-term Effectiveness Assessment (LTEA), and work on improving pollutant source profiles to enable strategic programmatic planning.
- Task 2K: Regional Mobile Business Program – The workgroup developed a web-based inventory for mobile businesses and developed a mobile business outreach strategy that included notification. Future efforts will include developing batch upload capacity, develop watershed based mobile business report function, and improve the use of violation tracking in the database.
- Regional Training – Although this is not a task in the workgroup's work plan, they have been focusing efforts on regional training to support the assessment of programs across

jurisdictions. This year a Regional Compliance training was held. Future training will include the Inspection Standards Manual.

The workgroup will focus on the following key items as we move into the next fiscal year; 1) Compile standardization and assessment information for the LTEA process; 2) Expand opportunities for regional IC training; 3) Fully utilize the Mobile Business Database; 4) Improve and utilize the BMP Toolbox website; and 5) Expand inspection guidance to other BMP categories. Karen's full presentation is available at <http://www.projectcleanwater.org/html/copermittees.html>.

## **5. Update on Regional Reporting and Assessment Standards Task**

Jon Van Rhyn provided an update on the development of regional reporting and assessment standards. To date, most of the workshops with the individual workgroups have been completed. This effort has been fruitful in identifying the current state of programs and content for standardization and has pointed out that for standards to have any meaning there are many ancillary issues that need coordination and collaboration. The final outcome of this current effort will help to inform workgroup priorities for FY 2010-11.

### **Copermittee Business**

## **6. Hydromodification Management Plan (HMP) Update**

Sara Agahi, with the County of San Diego, reviewed the HMP implementation timeline and reiterated the change in meeting time to July 14<sup>th</sup> for the Regional Board consideration to adopt Resolution R9-2010-0066; she noted that if the resolution is adopted in July then the earliest implementation of the HMP criteria will be January 2011. Sara provided an overview of the Regional Board Resolution and the discussion that ensued on June 9<sup>th</sup> with various stakeholders after it became apparent there would not be a quorum of the Regional Board. To date, there are two issues in the tentative resolution that need to be resolved; the request to remove the infill exemption and to expand the monitoring program.

Sara outlined the next steps for the Copermittees to resolve outstanding issues regarding the HMP. These are: 1) Have the Consultant Team conduct power analysis to determine the appropriate number of monitoring stations; 2) Conduct a HMP TAC meeting **June 21<sup>st</sup> 2:30 pm** at City Metro Biosolids Center to get input from the TAC; 3) Hold a Land Development Workgroup Meeting **June 22<sup>nd</sup> 1:30 pm** at County Offices to discuss the counterproposal for HMP; 4) Have a follow up meeting with Regional Board staff either on **June 23<sup>rd</sup> or 25<sup>th</sup>** to discuss and submit the monitoring plan counterproposal.

Several Copermittees expressed their concern over the potential cost of an increased monitoring plan, noting that FY 2010-11 Regional Cost share budget is already approved. Any new costs would likely have to be offset somewhere else within the regional program. In addition, Copermittees expressed their concern that any increase in the HMP requirements needs to be scientifically based. Sara and several other Copermittees strongly stressed the need for participation in the upcoming meetings, especially the July 14<sup>th</sup> meeting with Regional Board staff.

The presentation can be found at <http://www.projectcleanwater.org/html/copermittees.html>.

## **7. Update on FY 2010-11 Work Plans and Budgets**

Jon Van Rhyn reminded the group of the need to wrap up the FY 2009-10 expenditure claims as early as possible. Jon recommended that completed expenditure claims need to go to the workgroups by mid-August, latest, for approval and be submitted to the Program Planning Subcommittee no later than the end of September. The County cannot provide final budget

numbers or provide the necessary information to the Management Committee to assist on any decision on how to address any new FY 2010-11 costs until all accounting is in.

Jon inquired with each workgroups to determine the likely carryover of funds for activities that are currently in progress but will not be invoiced by June 30<sup>th</sup>. Preliminary estimates were as follows:

- Program Planning Subcommittee - \$0
- Fiscal Reporting and Assessment - \$4,000 to finish current Reporting and Assessment Standards Task
- Education and Residential Sources - ~\$20,000 in consultant costs
- Monitoring – Between \$210,000 and \$318,000 to cover delays in implementing the bacteria regrowth study, other SCCWRP/SMC work and unspent TIE monies.
- Land Development – No answer
- Industrial/Commercial - ~\$25,000 for on-going tasks
- Municipal - \$0
- Regional WURMP - \$40,000 to cover the remaining costs of the Reporting and Assessment Standards Task that focused on watershed assessment.

Jon mentioned that the County now has contract capacity for up to 4 consultant teams to cover all but education-related work. To ease the expenditure tracking, Jon suggested that workgroups should consider utilizing the County's contracts for planned FY 2010-11 consultant work.

#### **8. Unfunded Mandates Update**

Jon Van Rhyn provided an overview on the Copermittees' Unfunded Mandates Claim. On March 26, 2010, the Commission on State Mandates adopted a decision supporting a majority of the Copermittees' claims. Currently, the Copermittees are preparing proposed Parameters and Guidelines (Ps&Gs) defining the specific costs and cost types for which they propose reimbursement -- to be submitted to the Mandates Commission by June 28<sup>th</sup>. The Copermittees' legal team recently determined that the additional costs of submitting the claim are reimbursable. They must be submitted as a separate claim, most likely in early 2011. Jon recommended that each Copermittee consider starting on reconstructing cost incurred so far and track future costs related to the Mandates Claim.

#### **9. Project Clean Water Website Updates Including Calendar Function**

Rachel Borgatti, with the County of San Diego, provided an overview of the County's effort to modernize the Project Clean Water Website. Efforts are currently on-going and include the addition of a calendar function for Copermittee meetings, updates to the BMP Toolbox and the Healthy Gardens /Healthy Homes look and content. Rachel encouraged the Copermittees to participate in the survey on Project Clean Water so we can better understand the target audiences we need to serve. This effort is scheduled to be completed by the end of the summer.

#### **10. Future Meetings**

Next meeting is tentatively scheduled for September 16<sup>th</sup>. A location has not yet been determined.