

Watershed Stewardship Initiative Group (WSIG) Minutes
October 20, 2005
Metropolitan Biosolids Center

In attendance: Craig Adams (San Dieguito River Valley Conservancy), Cathy Cibit (City of San Diego), Arlene Dea Deeley (City of San Diego), Bruce Ferguson (Weston Solutions), Tedi Jackson (City of San Diego), Lisa Kay (Weston Solutions), Phil Pryde (River Park JPA), Rikki Schroeder (BIA), Bruce Posthumus (Regional Water Quality Control Board), Mark Whitehead (WPGG Chairman), Jacqueline Winterer (Friends of San Dieguito River Park), Wes Danskin (U.S. Geological Survey); Jeff Pasek (City of San Diego), & Dexter Wilson (Dexter Wilson Engineering).

Meeting was called to order at 1:40 p.m. by Chairman Mark Whitehead.

A) Introductions

As there were several new people in attendance, everyone introduced themselves.

B) Announcements

The September meeting minutes were approved unanimously. Cathy Cibit mentioned that it is really important to RSVP for the workshops.

C) Questionnaire Summary; Draft Matrix

Weston presented the results of the Questionnaires and briefly discussed the results. Cathy discussed the revised Matrix which replaced the “D’s”, “I’s” with symbols similar to what Consumer Reports uses.

D) Workshop Framework

Cathy and Lisa discussed how the workshop was going to flow; discussed the “Rules of Engagement”; the maps and other information around the room to assist with the facilitation of the discussion of Water Supply and Water Quality. The group broke out into 3 smaller groups with a facilitator who charted the action plans on large flip charts.

E) Summary of Action Plans

The 3 groups charted their action items and then during the break everyone looked at the results. Lisa then consolidated redundant action items and facilitated this discussion. Then everyone was given 5 check marks or “votes” to place on 5 action items of their choice. A brief discussion followed. The results are attached.

E) November Workshop

During the next workshop it was agreed to summarize the results of the October workshop; bring a list and maps of land use plans; and examples of other watershed plans to facilitate discussion.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:40 PM.

Attachment: Summary of Action Item Sheets

WATER SUPPLY AND WATER QUALITY (Oct. 20, 2005)

Group 1 – Facilitator Bruce Ferguson. Mark Whitehead, Rikki Schroeder, Phil Pryde, Dexter Wilson		
Action	<u>U</u>pper, <u>M</u>iddle, <u>L</u>ower, <u>A</u>ll Watershed Areas	Priority (Number of Check Marks or “Votes”)
Protect groundwater quality - create saltwater barrier to protect groundwater quality. This needs study.	L	3
Increase pervious surfaces in new and redevelopment	A	3
Expand use of reclaimed water (purple pipes)	L, M	1
Regulate level of Hodges to control tree growth (prevent poor WS/WQ)	M	
Low flow treatment facility – <u>set aside land for treatment</u> prior to water entering Hodges	M	7
Increase public ownership	U	3
Regulation on agricultural/ranching (overgrazing and erosion control)	U	
Check fire management plans to ensure post-fire protection controls for erosion and WQ	U, M	

Group 2 – Facilitator Tedi Jackson		
Craig Adams, Wes Danskin, Chris Basilevac, Jacqueline Winterer, Jeff Pasek		
Action	<u>Upper, Middle, Lower, All</u> Watershed Areas	Priority
Water sampling/monitoring for: - Surface water - Groundwater	A	8
Create a database of <u>existing</u> water quality data	A	2
Identify existing/needed GIS coverages, i.e., land use and geology, impervious surfaces	A	2
Evaluate/implement a <u>regional level</u> system of <u>sedimentation and natural filtration basins</u>	M, L	6
Implement/fund habitat acquisition plans	A	10
Identify and evaluate artificial wetlands, i.e., result of urban development	M, L	
Develop and fund an animal waste management program for <u>concentrated animal facilities</u>	M, L	4
Endorse and support of existing urban runoff management programs, i.e., SUSMP	M, L	2
Restore a more natural flow regime to the river, i.e., reoperation of reservoirs	M, L	
Remove non-native invasive plants and restore native vegetation, i.e., Riparian	A	6
Incentives to implement source water protection guidelines for reservoir protection	M, U	3
Evaluate and if feasible utilize the water supply potential of the SPV basin, i.e., recycled/imported storage (“reclaimed”)	M	1

**Group 3 - Facilitator, Cathy Cibit
Susan Carter, Arlene Deeley, Paul Gebert, Bruce Posthumus**

Action	<u>Upper, Middle, Lower, All</u> Watershed Areas	Priority
Serious water conservation - Multi-faceted program - landscape - irrigation - ordinances - “lead by example” - award program - incentives - home based BMPs - rate structure - contractor education - outreach/education	<p align="center">M, L</p>	<p align="center">9</p>
Water supply - Groundwater mgmt and conjunctive use plan - determine sources and causes - determine inflows/outflows - why is salinity high? - Use less water - Eliminate invasive plant species	<p align="center">L, M</p>	<p align="center">4</p>
Litter - Develop and implement multi-faceted litter control and prevention plan - identify sources, causes, types - regulations – review; revise (ex. ban Styrofoam cups on beach - provide receptacles	<p align="center">L, M, U, A</p>	<p align="center">2</p>
Domestic animal waste - Pets, feral animals - Agriculture Multi-faceted approach - Education outreach - Regulations, ordinances, enforcement - economic incentives/chg incentives	<p align="center">A</p>	<p align="center">6</p>

Sediment - Erosion control - More sand on beach; less sediment in rivers	A	
Identify conflicts in regulations - Ex. landscaping, water use	A	2