

**SAN LUIS REY WATERSHED COUNCIL  
MEETING MINUTES: 08/27/2007**

- **Call to Order:** 1:12 pm
- **List of Attendees present on 08/27/07:**

Paul Dorey	Vista Irrigation District
Jack Griffiths	Rainbow Municipal Water District
Cynthia Mallett	Bonsall Sponsor Group
John D. Beresford	La Jolla Band of Luiseno Indians
Todd Snyder	County of San Diego, Dept. Planning/Land Use
Ruth Harber	RiverWatch

- **(Item 3) Approval of Minutes:**

The minutes from 07/23/07 meeting were approved, without any requested changes. Motion to approve by Cynthia Mallett; seconded by Paul Dory; approved unanimously.

- **(Item 4) SLRWC Nonprofit Formation – Review/Discuss/Vote:**

A small subcommittee has been meeting regularly to establish the San Luis Rey Watershed Council as a nonprofit 501©(3) organization. The subcommittee drafted a Mission Statement, Goals and some options on board structure and membership structure. At this meeting the group is to vote on approval of the Mission Statement, goals, board structure and membership/voting structure. Draft by-laws will be created and voted on at a later date.

Mission Statement: Discuss and VOTE

The primary purpose, goals & objectives of the SLRWC shall be to: **Foster diverse stakeholder cooperation in order to preserve and enhance the environmental, cultural and economic resources of the San Luis Rey Watershed.**

No recommended changes were offered for the mission statement above. Motion to approve by Paul Dory; seconded by Jack Griffiths; approved unanimously.

Goals: Discuss and VOTE

Each of the below goals were discussed and voted on separately:

- (1) To write & submit grant proposals to support the San Luis Rey Watershed Council Mission Statement. No changes: **Passed Unanimously**
- (2) To develop and implement a watershed-wide water quality & quantity monitoring network. No changes: **Passed Unanimously**
- (3) To guide watershed-related policy and decision makers. No changes: **Passed Unanimously**
- (4) To promote sustainable agriculture within the watershed. No changes: **Passed Unanimously**
- (5) To foster information sharing between stakeholders. No changes: **Passed Unanimously**

Goal number six was discussed in detail and the following language is what was voted on at the meeting:

- (6) To recognize social and historic cultural values within the watershed. **Passed unanimously.**

Board Structure: Discuss and VOTE

There were three options suggested by the nonprofit subcommittee for the Board structure:

**(Option #1): A 9-member board, with one person from each category sitting on the Board:**

Environmental Organization; Community Organizations/Planning Groups; Water Districts/Water Agencies; Native American Tribes; Municipal or County Government/Special Districts; Agricultural Representative; Federal Government; and 2 At Large Positions.

**(Option #2): A 9 member board, with only NGO's sitting on the Board.**

**(Option #3): A 9-member board, with all Board positions being filled 'at large' (no set categories).**

The SLR Watershed Council members present at this meeting leaned toward Option #1 as it provides the most diversity on the watershed council. There was concern that by creating these categories, one representative from each category would vote on behalf of the rest of the members within the category without regard to the interests of the other members within that category. A motion to approve option #1 was made by Dory; seconded by Cynthia Mallett; approved unanimously.

**Membership & Voting Structure: Discuss and VOTE**

There were 2 different Membership Structure Models presented to the SLR Watershed Council. The main difference between the two models is who is allowed to vote, and on what items they are allowed to vote on.

**(Option #1): One-Class Membership Structure** – In this model, all members can vote, but they are only able to vote on limited items (ie: board members, membership fees, changes to the by-laws). All other items would be voted on by the Board.

**(Option #2): Two-Tiered Membership Structure** – In this model, there are 2 classes of members (those who represent an organization & who can vote; and those who are individuals—do not belong to an organization/agency and do not vote). However, in this model, it is the membership (and not the board) who are allowed to vote on the majority of SLR Watershed Council decisions. The Board will still have the final authority/vote over any financial/legal matters.

A motion was made by Paul Dory to approve option #1 for the membership structure; seconded by Mallett, passed unanimously.

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• **(Item 5) Attendee Reports & News:**

- Rainbow MWD is has selected a new General Manger named Dave Seamore.
- The San Luis Rey Municipal Water District Programmatic EIR was released on August 15, 2007.
- Envirepel is proposing a pilot project in Vista to utilize green waste for energy production.
- An Ag Water Outlook workshop will be coordinated by the San Diego County Farm Bureau to inform growers about potential 30% water cutbacks.
- Peter Weiss was officially appointed as City manger for the City of Oceanside.

• **(Item 6) Upcoming Meeting Dates/Facilitators:**

**September 24, 2007—SLR Watershed Council Meeting:** Jack Griffiths

**October 22, 2007—SLR Watershed Council Meeting:** Facilitator Needed

**November 26, 2007—SLR Watershed Council Meeting:** Facilitator Needed

**December 24, 2007—SLR Watershed Council Meeting:** Facilitator Needed