

**Meeting
Notes
San Diego Regional Monitoring Workgroup
County of San Diego – 3rd Floor Conference Room
9325 Hazard Way, San Diego
Thursday, July 13, 2006
1:30 – 3:30 PM**

1. Introductions (see attendance list below)
2. Wet Weather, Ambient, Bay & Lagoon and Bioassessment Monitoring Update (Weston Solutions) – Bioassessment sampling was conducted on schedule in spring 2006. Weston was awarded the Regional Monitoring contract beginning July 1, 2006.
3. Coastal Storm Drain Monitoring Workgroup Update (Karen Helyer & Paul Hartman)- no update; The program is active.
4. Dry Weather Monitoring Workgroup Update (Group)- Will plan to meet in October after the Dry Weather season is completed.
5. Database Management Issues (Group)- no new items discussed TMDL Issues (Group)- For updates see Region9 RWQCB website (<http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/rwqcb9/tmdls/tmdl.html>)
 - a. Chollas Creek Metals– SWRB returned it in June to RWQCB to improve CEQA analysis; It appears that compliance with the California Toxic Rule levels will be at each of the 813 outfalls, based on the definition for waters of the states that RWQCB is using. The first 3 years of implementation requires no reduction, but by 10 years, 100 % of lead and 50 % of copper loads are required to be reduced. Difficult to find space to implement structural BMPs as nearly all property is private and difficult to find technologies to remove dissolved metals.
 - b. Tecolote TMDL- addresses bacteria, pesticides and dissolved metals
 - c. A 13267 Letter of Investigation for additional investigations on 6 lagoons is in the final draft stages and is expected to be issued shortly.
 - d. Other items: Comments due on August 15 (items sent out in a separate e-mail)
 1. Areas of Special Biological Significance (ASBS)- Proposed ASBS Special Protections - Currently the Ocean Plan bans stormwater discharges into ASBS. The proposed protections would allow these existing discharges to continue. However, the storm water discharges must be composed of “natural precipitation runoff”, which is defined as discharges that do not cause a statistically significant increase in pollutant concentrations in the receiving water as compared to a designated reference stream. For more details see:
<http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/plnpols/asbs.html>
 2. Model Ocean Discharge Monitoring- SWRCB is considering amendments to Ocean Plan to address storm

water monitoring and could be part of Phase I NPDES Permits. For more details see:

<http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/plnspols/oplans/index.html>

6. Stormwater Monitoring Coalition (SMC Update) – Tabled to next meeting
7. 1:45 pm- discussion *** Voting Item***Consideration of 2006-2007 Monitoring Program Options (Group) – The group voted not to request a 13267 letter from RWQCB to begin the implementation of the updated monitoring program proposed in the Report of Waste Discharge for 2006-2007. Instead, the 2006-2007 monitoring program will be the same as implemented in 2005-2006 (10 MLS sampled for 3 storm events, 23 bioassessment sites sampled twice yearly, etc.). The 13267 Investigation Order was an option that the RWQCB had proposed if we wanted to begin implementation of the revised monitoring program prior to the adoption of the Permit which is not anticipated until December 2006 at the earliest.
8. Review of Ambient Bay and Lagoon Program (Weston and Group) 2:30 pm to 3:30 pm – Weston presented the results of their analysis of three years of data. The bottom line conclusion was that stormwater MLs results did not show a statistically significant link with the lagoon triad results (sed toxicity, sed chemistry and sed critters). The recommendation is to discontinue the current approach. The group had preliminary discussions on how to proceed in the future. Additional discussion at next meeting. Preliminary comments on the draft document released to copermittees only indicated that the purpose needed to be aligned with the 2003 ABLM Program submitted and approved by the RWQCB. Weston will make these changes and post the document on their FTP site. The County will send out a notice when it is available for review.
9. Any Other Issues – bring to Meeting- A recommendation was to discuss the Blue Ribbon panel Report—in which the feasibility of establishing numeric effluent limits or other quantifiable limits for use in stormwater permits. This will be put on the agenda for August.
10. Meeting- The following meetings are at the County of San Diego, 3rd floor conference room, 9325 Hazard Way, San Diego:

Tuesday, August 15, 1 – 3 pm

Tuesday, September 19, 10:30 am to 12:30 pm

Tuesday, October 17, 10:30 am to 12:30 pm

Tuesday, November 28, 10:30 am to 12:30 pm

Tuesday, December 12, 10:30 am to 12:30 pm

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Attendees:

Jaime Campos, City of El Cajon

Khosro Aminpour, City of Chula Vista

Erik Steenblock, City of Chula Vista

Lynn Schwabe, City of Oceanside

Todd Snyder, City of Imperial Beach

Paul Hartman, City of Encinitas
Dave Renfrew, Weston Solutions
Kristina Schneider, Brown & Caldwell
Andrea Crumpacker, Weston Solutions
Susie Watts, Weston Solutions
Ruth Kolb, City of San Diego
Jerome Jaminet, TRC
Roger Morrison, City of Poway
Marisa Fontanoz, San Diego County regional Airport Authority
Cora Long, City of Lemon Grove
Gretal Roberts, City of Carlsbad
Elaine Lukey, City of Carlsbad
Rosanna Lacarra, City of Del Mar
Lisa Kay, Weston Solutions
Jo Ann Weber, County of San Diego