

FINAL Minutes of Technical Advisory Committee
35 Stony Point Road, Santa Rosa, California
December 3, 2018

Attendees: Jennifer Burke, City of Santa Rosa
Colin Close, City of Santa Rosa
Easter Ledesma, City of Santa Rosa
Paul Piazza, Town of Windsor
Toni Bertolero, Town of Windsor
Mary Grace Pawson, City of Rohnert Park
Colleen Ferguson, City of Sonoma
Kent Carothers, City of Petaluma
Drew McIntyre, North Marin Water District
Rocky Vogler, North Marin Water District
Mike Ban, Marin Municipal Water District
Chris Petlock, Valley of the Moon Water District
Matt Fullner, Valley of The Moon Water District
Pam Jeane, SCWA
Grant Davis, SCWA
Barry Dugan, SCWA
Brad Sherwood, SCWA

Lynne Rosselli, SCWA
Carrie Pollard, SCWA
Carlos Diaz, SCWA

Public Attendees: David Keller, FOER
Bob Anderson, United Wine Growers
Tony Lopes, Forestville Water District

1. Check-in
Drew McIntyre, TAC Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m.
2. Public Comments
No public comments
3. Sonoma Marin Water Saving Partnership
 - a. Water Production Relative to 2013 Benchmark
Drew McIntyre- referred to the agenda packet and provided a recap of 2018 Water production versus the 2013 Benchmark. Year to date water production for the Partnership is 15% below 2013 benchmark.
4. One Rain; Sonoma County Real-time Rainfall, River-Stream and Reservoir Data

Carlos Diaz, SCWA- Sonoma Water's new flood warning and monitoring system- new network in place in response to 2017 October fires and concerns with secondary hazards surrounding flash floods in the burn areas. Developed the network in conjunction with National Weather Service and CAL Fire. There are 25 new gauges, approx. 12 measure stream levels and 10 rain only gauges. Added 4 soil moisture assemblies; one at top of Bald Mountain, Shiloh Ranch Regional Park, Mark West Regional Park and Enterprise Rd.

5. Water Supply Conditions

Pam Jeane, SCWA- Hasn't been much of a change since September 2018. Lake Sonoma water supply storage is at 76% and Lake Mendocino water storage is almost at the target storage curve. Rainfall YTD in Santa Rosa is just under 6 inches at the end of November and normal is about 7.8 inches.

6. Biological Opinion Status Update

Pam Jeane, SCWA. Referred to handout.

- No changes in fish flow project update at this time
- Dry Creek Habitat Enhancement Project- Wrapped up construction on multiple habitat enhancement sites in two separate reaches of Dry Creek.
- Fish Monitoring- Finished surveys on Dry Creek for adult Salmon and Steelhead Reds and will continue through Spring 2019. Inflatable dam is up at Maribel and there is discussion on the dam being taken down.
- Russian River Estuary Management Project- It has opened and closed several times. As of December 2 it was open.
- Interim Flow Changes- On May 1 the water supply condition changed from *Dry* to *Normal*. On June 1, conditions changed back to *Dry*. A petition was not filed this year.
- It was also reported that the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (ACOE) has approved the request to allow additional water to be stored in Lake Mendocino as a result of Forecast Informed Reservoir Operation (FIRO) work performed since 2014. The approval will allow up to an additional 11,650 AF of water to be stored between November and February each year.

7. Potter Valley Project Relicensing Update-

Pam Jeane – Not a lot of change since the last update, PG&E continuing work with their consultants. Referenced attachment wherein SCWA Board of Directors adopted a resolution supporting a two basin solution for the future of the Potter Valley Project. Pam also mentioned that the next Huffman AdHoc meeting should be in Feb-March 2019.

8. Lake Sonoma and Mendocino Mussel Inspection Program Update

Brad Sherwood, SCWA- Last spring a boat with active live mussels was discovered through the prevention program, it was quarantined and decontaminated. As a result of new legislation (SB 790), SCWA will be able to apply for critical mussel prevention grant funds to enhance prevention efforts and keep the reservoirs and waterways mussel free.

9. Legislative Update

Grant Davis- Last Washington D.C. trip was in November. The \$1.7-million-dollar federal ACOE appropriation for continued Dry Creek restoration was a success. A ribbon cutting ceremony is planned in Spring 2019.

Brad Sherwood - Next Washington D.C. trip is planned in late February or early March 2019. Agency is seeking \$1.2M for dam safety plus other funds for ongoing operation and maintenance activities. Continue to seek \$70M in Pacific Coastal Salmon Restoration funds

On state legislative issues, Brad noted that ACWA wants to make sure everyone is aware that the proposed state wide water tax is expected to be resurrected in 2019. ACWA is also having debate on whether water conservation should be used as a tool to reduce energy. ACWA Region 1 will hold a meeting next spring and will reporting out Region 1 activities. Seek to fill vacant seat with someone from the North.

10. Items for next agenda (TAC Meeting January 7, 2019)

TAC Leadership- Elect new Vice Chair
State Water Efficiency Legislation Update

11. Check out

Meeting adjourned at 10:07am.