

FINAL Minutes of Technical Advisory Committee  
35 Stony Point Road, Santa Rosa, California  
July 8, 2019

Attendees: Easter Ledesma, City of Santa Rosa  
Mike Ban, Marin Municipal Water District  
Mary Grace Pawson, City of Rohnert Park  
Colleen Ferguson, City of Sonoma  
Paul Piazza, Town of Windsor  
Jon Foreman, Valley of The Moon Water District  
Alan Gardner, Valley of the Moon Water District  
Jay Jasperse, SCWA  
Craig Scott, City of Cotati  
Drew McIntyre, North Marin Water District  
Rocky Vogler, North Marin Water District  
Jennifer Burke, City of Santa Rosa  
Colin Close, City of Santa Rosa  
Kent Carothers, City of Petaluma

Staff: Lori Wyatt, SCWA  
Carrie Pollard, SCWA  
Barry Dugan, SCWA  
Pam Jeane, SCWA  
Don Seymour, SCWA  
Lynne Roselli, SCWA

Public Attendees: Brenda Adelman, RRWPC  
Bob Anderson, United Wine Growers  
David Keller, FOER

1. Check-in  
Drew McIntyre, TAC Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:06 a.m.
2. Public Comments  
No public comments
3. Recap of June 3, 2019 TAC Meeting Minutes and Approval of Minutes  
Moved by Paul Piazza, Town of Windsor, seconded by Jennifer Burke, City of Santa Rosa; unanimously approved.
4. Sonoma Marin Water Saving Partnership  
Drew McIntyre, North Marin Water District
  - a) Water Production Relative to 2013 Benchmark- . Refer to handout, year to-date water usage is 15% below the state's 2013 benchmark.
  - b) May 4 Eco-Friendly Garden Tour Participation Summary- Participation levels were very strong this year. Last year had 1700 participants, this year there were approximately 2700. There was more advertising this year which drove higher levels of participation.
  - c) 2018 Water Conservation Legislation Update-Standing Item. Since early June, various contractors have requested to participate in the new working groups being formed by DWR (6 new groups). As these working groups

develop it will be good to report back to TAC and/or WAC. NMWD is still waiting to hear back from DWR regarding the landscape measurements and budget allocations for NMWD as part of DWR's Round 2 Pilot program. Updates will continue as they develop.

5. Sonoma County Grand Jury Report- Will There Be Water After An Earthquake?  
Drew McIntyre, North Marin Water District- Sonoma County Water Agency released press release, refer to handout. Water contractors are being asked to provide a response to one of the recommendations. Jay Jasperse, SCWA – on June 14, 2019, Grand Jury issued their report on seismic hazards and vulnerabilities of public water systems and the SCWA press release generally summarized the report. SCWA is in the process of responding to the recommendations. There are 11 findings and 6 recommendations. SCWA felt the report was well balanced and informative. The Agency will be partnering with Water contractors to formulate a response.
6. Water Supply Conditions and Temporary Urgency Change Order  
Pam Jeane, SCWA. Lake Mendocino storage is at 92,000 ac-ft. Lake Sonoma, is at 240,000 ac-ft. A Temporary Urgency Change Order was approved by the State Water Resources Control Board in June, and will remain in place until October 15, 2019.
7. Biological Opinion Status Update  
Pam Jeane, SCWA. Refer to hand out.  
Fish Flow Project- No changes. Work continues on responding to comments, mostly on adaptive management.  
Dry Creek Habitat Enhancement Project-Started final construction on the third of three sites in Reach 14. Also working on finalizing designs and permitting on the last of the remaining Phase III project work in Phase 5 and should be under construction in 2020. Continuing to collect data at all sites because of high flows this year. This month, 2,000 coho will be released from the hatchery into enhancement sites along Dry Creek. There is a special study being conducted within Reach 4 using radio tags on released coho to monitor how they behave and utilize the enhancement sites. Sonoma Water and Army Corps are moving forward with phases IV, V and VI which make up the last three miles of the 6 miles of habitat enhancement work.  
Fish Monitoring-Issues with fish traps in the system because of the late rains last year. The annual snorkel and electrofishing surveys aimed at assessing juvenile populations residing in streams throughout the watershed began in June and will continue through October and will include assessments of use of newly-created habitat in Dry Creek by juvenile coho salmon and steelhead.  
Russian River Estuary Management Project-The 2019 management season started May 15 and ends October 15. Staff are doing surveys and monitoring work for water quality and biological monitoring. There is a community meeting scheduled August 28 from 6:00-7:30pm at the Jenner Community Center.
8. Potter Valley Project Update  
Pam Jeane, SCWA-Notice of Intent was due July 1, 2019. Sonoma Water along with some other parties were the only ones that responded. Refer to handout. Sonoma Water asked for a two year extension of time beyond the license application deadline of April 2020. Appendix C lays out pre-filing procedure and is the schedule Sonoma Water would expect to go through if their NOI is accepted. Also asked for several waivers, refer to handout. Sonoma Water asked for a FERC response within 30 days.
9. Huffman Ad Hoc Committee Meeting- June 17, 2019 Meeting

Drew McIntyre, North Marin Water District- Jennifer Burke, Susan Harvey, Jack Baker and Drew McIntyre met with Congressman Huffman on June 14, 2019 to gain approval for WAC/TAC representation at these meetings, Congressman Huffman agreed to allow WAC/TAC representation at the Ad Hoc meetings moving forward as an extension of the Agency's representation. Focus of the June 17 Ad Hoc meeting was review of the draft NOI and future role of the Huffman Ad Hoc group. Most of comments at the meeting were focused on changing NOI wording in relation to fish passage at Scott Dam. The NOI agencies that are signatory to the NOI listened to the comments.

10. Regional Water Supply Resiliency Study Update

Jay Jasperse, SCWA. Update on Study, Jacobs Engineering should be reaching out soon to schedule a meeting with each of the contractors to learn more about each of their systems.

11. State Water Tax Update

Drew McIntyre, North Marin Water District- Refer to handout. State Water Tax was going to be applied to retail water agencies to generate money to be reallocated in other areas in the State for improvements to disadvantaged communities on the water side. The tax funding option is no longer being considered. Rather, SB 200 (Monning) is expected to be approved using other state funds including the General Fund and the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund.

12. Items for next agenda

Update/recap of first meeting that was held by the Water Agencies Potter Valley Project Ad Hoc Subcommittee

13. Check out

Meeting adjourned at 10:11 am