

**REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES**

**WESTSIDE Sac IRWM Coordinating Committee**

**DATE:** December 9, 2014      **TIME:** 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm

**LOCATION:** Lake County Courthouse, Conference Room 4, 255 N. Forbes St., Lakeport, CA

**Coordinating Committee Members Present:**

County		Representative		Alternate
Lake		Scott DeLeon (Lake Cty. DWR/WPD)	✓	Tom Smythe (Lake Cty. DWR)
Napa	✓	Jeff Sharp (Napa Cty. Flood Control)- by phone		Phillip Miller (County of Napa)
Solano	✓	Chris Lee (SCWA) , 2014/15 Chair		David Okita (SCWA)
Yolo	✓	Elisa Sabatini (Water Res. Assn)		Max Stevenson (YFCWCD)

**Others Present:**

Hong Lin, Chief, Water Supply Evaluations Section, DWR (phone, substituting for Kristin Honeycutt)  
Sachi Itagaki , Sr. Civil/Env. Engineer, Kennedy Jenks Consulting (phone)  
Jeanette Wrynski - Yolo County Resource Conservation District

1. **Call Meeting to Order and Introductions** – The meeting was called to order at 1:04 by Chair Lee.
2. **Approval of today’s Agenda and Minutes for 10/23/14 Regular meeting, 11/13 Special Meeting – Brownfield Assessment grant.** All minutes were approved by consensus.
3. **Public comment:** There were no comments from the public.
4. **Report on status of YCRCD budget balance.** Ms. Wrynski presented a budget spreadsheet showing original budget amounts, totals expended and amount remaining. She explained that, given the number of grant-related Special Meetings and other additional work, it is likely the budgeted funds will run out slightly before the new budget - approved at the October Regular Meeting - takes effect. Chair Lee said if funds run short the CC has sufficient funds to cover the expenses.
5. **Report on status of Coordinating Committee budget and match.** Chair Lee reported that with the \$20K pledge from each of the member organizations, the \$8,360 invoice for development of the EPA Brownfield grant and leftover funds from the planning grant, the current CC balance is \$141,604.97. Leftover planning grant funds can be used for implementation, so bring forward projects that are consistent with the IRWMP.
6. **Develop list of topics for future special presentations.** Topics suggested by Chair Lee include:
  - An update on the Zebra and Quagga Mussel status
  - 3 different groundwater bills for different regions of the state
  - Project showcases, i.e. 2015/16 drought
  - Exchanges with adjacent IRWMP groups
  - Educational packages, i.e. what is being taught about watershed health in our region
  - Wildland fire/fuel management, and on the urband interface
  - What kind of land planning is going on with large agency landowners such as BLM and BOR
  - The Napa County Watershed Symposium
  - Reservoir operations – what are the challenges, why and how are they operated the way they are



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7. **DWR Update** – Hong Lin reported that DWR released their new groundwater report at the end of November; web location: <http://www.water.ca.gov/groundwater/> We have medium priority basins. DWR wants to hear about successful stories or case-studies for the IRWM report. There will be an IRWM Conference next year in San Diego. There is a lot of research going on re. urban/wildfire and affects on water quality/supply funded through the Sierra Nevada Conservancy's RFP. Proposition 1 funding: See the DWR website for the funding summary: [http://www.water.ca.gov/waterbond/Regional\\_Bond\\_Summary\\_2014\\_Final\\_web\\_2.pdf](http://www.water.ca.gov/waterbond/Regional_Bond_Summary_2014_Final_web_2.pdf) \$520 M for Clean and Safe Drinking Water, \$1.495M for Watershed Restoration and Protection, \$810M for Regional Water Security, \$2,700M for Statewide System Operation, \$725M for Water Recycling, \$900M for Groundwater Sustainability, \$395M for Flood Management. Their Financial Assistance web page has been updated: <http://www.water.ca.gov/funding/> . Their weekly precipitation summary indicates a big storm coming. We are currently 200 – 300% of average since December 1. California's Fourth Climate Change Assessment: Proposed Non-Energy Research Portfolio: [http://resources.ca.gov/docs/climate/Fourth\\_Climate\\_Change\\_Assessment\\_Scope\\_of\\_Work\\_v1.pdf](http://resources.ca.gov/docs/climate/Fourth_Climate_Change_Assessment_Scope_of_Work_v1.pdf)
8. **Update on drought solicitation awards** - Ms. Sabatini reported that Yolo County Flood Control received a letter from DWR about the Drought award and the contract requirements which must be completed quickly. After discussion the CC agreed to engage Kennedy-Jenks (Sachi Itagaki) to assist with getting all of the documents and information collected in time, with a cap of \$15,000.
9. **Update on Brownfield Assessment EPA grant opportunity** – Chair Lee reported that there was a phone meeting last week with Dr. McCord. There are a few pieces of information yet to fill in. The timing is good. The WRA is not legally one of the coalition members, so the County of Yolo must be the applicant.
10. **Prioritization of Coordinating Committee responsibilities** – refer to the discussion at the last Regular meeting. Education has an important role. Is there any other work going on that is not in the plan that contributes to the success of the plan? We should reach out to others in the region regarding water quality. Also see Section 6 of the IRWM Plan – Goals and Objectives for additional duties.
11. **Update on Invasive Mussel Task Force and related activities**– Both Lake County and Solano County Water Agency submitted proposals to the Dept. of Boating and Waterways to augment their existing programs. The MTF has been in a “holding pattern” but may meet in January. Lake Piru is now contaminated with mussels.
12. **Update on Westside Sac IRWM project tracking** – This item was deferred.
13. **CC member Reports, Regional Activities, Legislative/regulatory updates, upcoming action items needed** – Mr. Sharp reported that Chris Silke will be taking over for him, and that he (Jeff) will become the Alternate. Mr. Lee reported that a letter was sent to his Board of Directors to check on the accuracy of the water basin designations in Solano County so that they can get away from additional monitoring and data collection. SCWA feels they are being managed well; CASGEM monitoring of groundwater should be sufficient. They are doing lots of management. Ms. Lin suggested working with Mark Norberg for a presentation on groundwater and management of groundwater.
14. **Confirm Next Meeting Date and Location:** Ms. Wrynski will send out a Doodle poll for the next quarterly meeting, which should be in March if there are no reasons for meeting sooner.
15. **Adjourn** – The meeting was adjourned by Chair Lee at 2:04 pm.

**Minutes respectfully submitted by:** Jeanette Wrynski, YCRCD. Approved on \_\_\_\_\_, 2014 by the Westside Sac IWRMP Coordinating Committee.

By: \_\_\_\_\_



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