

**REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES**

**WESTSIDE Sac IRWM Coordinating Committee**

**DATE:** March 14, 2018      **SCHEDULED TIME:** 10:00 AM – Noon

**LOCATION:** Solano County Water Agency

**Coordinating Committee Members Attending:**

County		Representative		Alternate
Lake	✓	Phil Moy, Director, Lake Cty. DWR (phone – leaving 10:30 AM)	✓	David Cowan, Lake Cty. DWR
Napa	✓	Chris Silke, County of Napa – Chair		Jeff Sharp, Napa Cty Flood Control, phone
Solano	✓	Chris Lee, SCWA		Sabrina Colias, SCWA
Yolo	✓	Elisa Sabatini, Water Res. Assn	✓	Max Stevenson, YFCWCD

**Others Present:**

Thi Pham (phone) – Rural Community Assistance Corporation (RCAC); Stephen McCord, PhD – McCord Environmental/Brownfield Project Manager; Bret Hewitt – Executive Director of Tuleyome; Jo-Joe Leigh – California Indian Environmental Alliance, representing the Elam Pomo Colony of Native Americans (phone); Sachi Itagaki – Kennedy/Jenks; Max Stevenson – Yolo County Flood Control and Water Conservation District (YFCWCD,10:15); Danielle Dolan – Local Government Commission (phone, 10:45); Jeanette Wrynski – Yolo County RCD/Westside IRWM Administrative Coordinator.

- 1. Call Meeting to Order and Introductions.** The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Chair Sabatini. She called for self-introductions.
- 2. Approve Consent Agenda.** Chair Sabatini requested to add an Agenda Item 7d – Renewal/Extension of RCD contract to continue to serve the Westside IRWM Coordinating Committee – and 7e – Provide guidance to the Administrative Coordinator on engagement with the IRWM Roundtable of Regions (RoR). All Concurred. ACTION: Approve the Consent Agenda; MOTION: Lee; SECOND: Silke; AYES: Unanimous (Silke, Lee, Sabatini, Cowan). Ms. Wrynski noted that, because of additional funding support for her time through the DACI grant, there will be a substantial savings to the agreement for her services – expenses for nearly one fiscal quarter.
- 3. Public comment.** Thi Pham announced that there will be a free landowner workshop on April 6<sup>th</sup> in Nevada City on Private Well and Septic System Maintenance. It is open to all surrounding counties. Ms. Wrynski passed around copies of the workshop flyer from Ms. Pham, which gave workshop details.
- 4. DWR Update.** Mr. Arnold was unable to attend due to a mandatory training. Ms. Wrynski reviewed the update he provided highlighting the new DWR website, delay to late summer for release of the Prop 1 RFP, ongoing California Water Plan update, and the Tribal Water Summit April 4 & 5. She had also received DWR news through the RoR, including announcement of grant awards to 78 applicants for Sustainable Groundwater Planning Grants, and also significant staffing changes at DWR. Yolo County, through YFCWCD, was awarded a \$1M grant for development of their SGM Plan. Napa and Lake Counties have “Alternative” Plans. DWR is offering facilitation support but must be notified of interest in order to set aside funds in their next fiscal year budget.
- 5. Update of Westside IRWM Plan.** Ms. Wrynski said she had received Kennedy/Jenks’ RFI#1 – the first “Request for Information” and had worked with all of the CC members to collect information that was as complete as possible. She also continued to provide supplemental information to K/J as she received it. Sections 1 – 4 of the



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Westside's IRWM Plan showing draft changes were received and re-distributed to CC members for review and comment. The CC requested information on when comments were due. SCWA wants to receive the InDesign files for the updated plan and to have Ms. Wrynski investigate printing hard copies of the plan once completed.

6. **Tuleyome Mercury Mine Remediation Program and Westside IRWM.** Dr. McCord introduced Mr. Hewitt, new (since July) Executive Director of Tuleyome, and acknowledged that this agenda item and the Brownfield Project update overlap. Mr. Hewitt provided a brief background on himself, Tuleyome's activities, including policy, education and trail-building efforts, and its mine remediation efforts. He also contributed to the next item.
7. **7a. Brownfield Project – Site Assessments, Area Wide Plan.** Dr. McCord provided a slide/image presentation on the status of the Brownfields Project (see attachment), including an updated schedule of tasks, assessments and planning for site cleanups, and the Area-wide Plan. Related items included mercury improvement projects he is investigating for the Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation, the Corona & Twin Peaks Mine Drainage Treatment project, and the statewide reservoir mercury control program. Brownfields assessments are in progress for the old Winters waste water treatment plant (Phase I), an illicit shooting range at the outlet of Willow Slough Bypass (Phase I/II), Elgin Mine (potentially Cleanup Plan), and Plymouth Mine (Phase II). The Area-wide Plan will describe current conditions, prioritize future work, and more broadly serve as a public final project report. He discussed connections between these various projects/activities and the IRWM Plan. Ms. Wrynski will work with Dr. McCord to identify and update projects in the IRWM Plan that can be better aligned with potential future projects. He announced that Brownfields project team member Danielle Dolan, who has been working on the outreach efforts, has moved to Boston for family reasons but is still working remotely. Mr. Silke asked if there will be metrics collected to allow post-project monitoring. Answer: EPA implementation grants require pre- and post-project monitoring. He has a library of all existing data and reports. The Yocha Dehe tribe has asked him to recommend projects they can support through a new funding stream for which they are forming a new foundation. Projects could overlap with or match IRWM and YSGA projects. There was a statewide workshop on mercury control in reservoirs in Sacramento February 1<sup>st</sup>, a webinar series underway by USGS, and future meetings for reservoir owners/operators scheduled for late May/early June. **7b. Disadvantaged Community Involvement grant.** Ms. Wrynski referred the CC to the two updates included in the packet and briefly reviewed the work completed to date and in-progress on Needs Assessments and Small Water System data collation. All CC members expressed continued concern over the more than 70 DAC water systems – particularly in Lake County – that are not showing up in the data tables. They asked Ms. Wrynski to set up a Special Meeting in April in Lake County, inviting the DWR DACI Grant Project Manager(s), to discuss and clarify the status of these water systems in regard to the grant work. **7c. Yolo County Storm Water Resources Plan.** Ms. Wrynski reported that the comment period for the Draft SWRP had closed and that comments were being integrated. Kristin Sicke (YFCWCD), Project Manager, requested that acceptance of the plan be placed on the agenda for the May 9th meeting of the CC. The CC requested that a second topic for the Special Meeting be the integration of new projects in the Yolo Storm Water Resources Plan into the updated IRWM Plan and ranking/prioritizing them all. Kristin Sicke, Sachi Itagaki (K/J) and Jennifer Lau (K/J) will be invited. **7d. Renewal/extension of RCD Contract.** Chair Sabatini explained the duration of the existing contract with YCRC for services ends June 30. She suggested that Mr. Lee work with Ms. Wrynski to develop a contract for 2018-19 to be brought before the CC at the May meeting for approval. All concurred.
8. **Prop 1 IRWM Funding – application readiness and DAC.** Kennedy Jenks is working on both the SWRP and the IRWM update. Per the previous discussion, Ms. Wrynski should invite K/J to brief the CC during the Special Meeting and participate in a discussion about equitable distribution of funding to counties and project proponents both in the call for proposals and if awarded.



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9. **CC Member Reports, Regional Activities and Updates. 8a. Quagga Mussel Boat.** Mr. Lee gave a “shout out” to Mark Miller for his efforts with the Mussel Boat. There are now others besides Lake County – particularly specific SCWA staff – on the permit as being able to move and display the boat. The boat will be at Lake Berryessa for a training next week. SCWA has opened recruitment for 16 Interns for mussel education and outreach at \$16/hr., 40 hours/week. Napa County may take over tourism at Lake Berryessa. There were no other reports.
10. **Confirm Next Meeting Date and Location:** Ms. Wrynski will set up a Special Meeting date and location in Lake County in April to discuss the topics mentioned above. She was asked to set up an Ad Hoc meeting with Phil, Dave and Jan Coppinger to discuss the topics for the DACI meeting. **The next Regular Meeting will be Wednesday, May 9, 2018 10:00 am at the office of Yolo County Flood Control and Water Conservation District.**
11. **Adjourn** – the meeting was adjourned at 12:05 PM by Chair Sabatini.

**Minutes respectfully submitted by:** Jeanette Wrynski, YCRCD. Approved on \_\_\_\_\_, 2018 by the Westside Sac IWRMP Coordinating Committee.

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name, position



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