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Bay Area IRWMP Coordinating Committee

Agreements and Action Items from June 28, 2010 Meeting

1. Roll Call—Appointed FA representatives present

WS-WQ	WW-RW	FP-SW	Watershed	Other
Molly Petrick, SFPUC	Brian Campbell, EBMUD	Mark Boucher, CCCFCO; Brian Mendenhall, SCVWD	Harry Seraydarian, NBWA; Jennifer Krebs, SFEP; Melanie Denninger, SCC	Paul Helliker, Chair, MMWD; Ann Draper, SCVWD.

Others present:

Chris Choo (MCFCWCD)
Theresa Eade (StopWaste.org)
Dale Hopkins (SF Bay RWQCB)
Gary Lippner (DWR-NCRO)
Carol Mahoney (Zone 7 Water)
Glenn Moeller (DWR-NCRO)
Carl Morrison (Morrison Assoc/SCWA, Zone 7)
Robyn Navarra (Zone 7)
Brad Sherwood (SCWA)
Joanne Siew (RMC)
Marie Valmores (CCWD)
Peter Vorster (The Bay Institute)
Renee Webber (North Bay Water Reuse Authority)

2. Review Agreements/Action Items from May 24, 2010 meeting (Discussion, led by CC)

Update on project template for screening projects

- Mark Boucher uploaded an updated project template on the Bay Area IRWMP website:
http://bairwmp.org/docs/irwmp-projects/IRWMP%20Project%20Template%20Updated_06.07.10.doc/view

Update on draft flyer for Prop 84

- Carol Mahoney developed a draft Prop 84 informational flyer for the CC's review and comment, and will be finalizing the flyer for distribution.

Update on conversation with DWR management regarding comments on Prop 84 guidelines

- Paul announced the latest schedule (see below) for Prop 84 and 1E provided by Vivien Maisonneuve, the Bay Area DWR representative.

Grants	Fiscal guidelines/notifications	Application due date
Planning - round 1	Beginning of August	End of September
Planning - round 2	Mid-January	Mid-June 2011
Implementation - round 1	Beginning of August	Beginning of January
Stormwater	Beginning of August	Mid-April
LGA	End of January	Beginning of March

- Paul announced the latest schedule (see below) for Prop 84 and 1E provided by Vivien Maisonneuve, the Bay Area DWR representative.
- Paul indicated that he has been working with DWR to change the appropriation language - \$250 million was allocated to IRWMP projects that would reduce the reliance on the Delta, but this would complicate issues for the Bay Area in terms of accounting for the \$138 million allocation, especially in the case of the North region. The new language that was suggested is: For those areas that use water from the Delta, plans to reduce reliance on the Delta would have to be incorporated into the Plan.
- Paul also noted that the requirements for the \$250 million were different from the \$100 million made available under Prop 84, and the total amount available could be \$350 million. If that is the level of funding available, he asked the CC if they would want to implement the sub-regional process, because there could potentially be \$45 million available instead of \$15-\$30 million for the Bay Area. This will be confirmed after the budget is passed.
- Paul met with Celeste Cantu from Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority (SAWPA), Dale Hoffman-Floerke, Deputy Director of Integrated Water Management (IWM) and Paula Landis, the lead for Regional offices in the Div of IWM at DWR to discuss the language in Prop 84 that indicates that DWR can delegate the allocation in IRWMP regions that coincide with funding area. Based on feedback from the DWR reps, DWR will work with the region to allow the region to make decisions on the allocation as long as the projects meet the guidelines criteria.
- DWR reps at the meeting clarified that the economic analysis is only required for projects applying for Implementation grants, and is not a requirement for projects to be added into the Plan.
- The Bay Area IRWM region needs to ensure that it has 10% of the projects dedicated to DACs; if not, the 10% will be held until it is shown that a project addresses a DAC area.

3. Update – Planning and Process (PnP) and Project Screening Subcommittees (Discussion, led by PnP and PS)

Update on outreach efforts

Prop 1E and 84 Informational Fliers and Website Updates

- Jennifer Krebs provided comments on the draft Prop 84 flyer and indicated that it would be good to send out the flyer as soon as possible, and post updated information on the Bay Area website.
- Peter Vorster asked if there were other avenues of outreach, and noted that the North Bay Watershed Association was doing a great job at providing information to the north region.
- Harry Seraydarian noted that that most of the outreach so far was focused on Prop 1E, and the CC is still focused on regional projects for the first round of Prop 84 funding, but the CC did encourage people to conceptualize new regional projects.
- Paul questioned how the CC would handle the email traffic to the email noted in the Prop 84 and 1E fliers. Mark Boucher noted that it can be set up such that emails sent to the address can be forwarded to several other people on the list as well. Mark will talk to the consultant to set this up.

- The Prop 1E flyer has been finalized and posted online at the Bay Area IRWMP website.
- Jennifer Krebs noted that she did not receive the email notification on Prop 1E information and requested for Harry to forward the Prop 1E email to her so that she could use it and forward it along.
- Paul requested for RMC to include a task to consolidate and respond to questions related to Prop 84/1E processes/applications in the scope and budget for the next phase of work.
- Paul noted that among the fund raising efforts that he made was to add in an additional \$24K of budget for website upgrades.

Outreach via Bay Area Groups/Organizations

- Melanie Denninger noted that in the absence of funding for consultant support, the CC has been thinking of distributing information through BAWN's distribution list and other contact lists. She received feedback that people would like to hear from the subregions more. In addition, Brad Sherwood mentioned that BAWF is supposed to be a good outreach mechanism, and noted that some of the CC members are sponsoring BAWF to specifically conduct IRWMP outreach. Harry agreed that this was a good forum and suggested that something similar could be done for BAWN.
- Dale Hopkins noted that the Contra Costa Watershed Forum and North Bay Watershed Association both provide forums for watershed groups to meet with agencies.

Subregion Contacts

- The CC agreed that the following would serve as subregion contacts:
 1. North Bay: Harry Seraydarian
 2. West Bay: Molly Petrick
 3. East Bay: Mark Boucher
 4. South Bay: Brian Mendenhall

Open House

- Jennifer suggested that the CC hold an Open House (e.g. Sep 1, 2010) for project proponents who are proposing projects, to have an opportunity to integrate similar projects into regional projects. Carl Morrison seconded Jennifer's suggestion.
- Chris Choo indicated that relevant information should be sent out prior to the Open House so that attendees come with a reasonable understanding of the grant requirements.
- Carol Mahoney suggested that specific stations could be set up to address different question themes (e.g. the format at the Strategic Workshop on Urban Greening).

Action Item(s)

- Mark Boucher to work with consultant to include subregion leads addresses for emails to Projects@bairwmp.org.
- Harry Seraydarian to forward Prop 1E email to Jennifer Krebs.
- *Mark Boucher to create a page for FAQs, and information on subregion contacts for the Bay Area IRWMP. (DONE).*
- The CC to organize and conduct an Open House in early September. Venue to be decided. Peter Vorster suggested that he could check into the availability of the Aquarium of the Bay.

Reports from Functional Areas (FA) on potential projects for Implementation grant

Recycled Water Projects

- Brian Campbell provided an update from the recycled water project committee from BACWA: the recycling coalition is well-developed and has been receiving Federal funding. The group is requesting for recycled water to be designated as a priority area. Paul suggested that BACWA should review their projects and highlight the stronger projects to the CC, which could possibly be combined into a regional recycling project. Brian Campbell questioned if

there are several projects combined into a larger regional project, could DWR choose to fund only some projects in the combination?

Water Conservation Projects

- Robyn Navarra from Zone 7 will be attending a meeting to review potential projects. She has heard from about six agencies on their interest to participate in water conservation programs: EBMUD, ACWD, SCVWD, Sonoma County Water Agency, MMWD, City of Napa (TBD), and SFPUC (who has requested for more information).
- Harry suggested that it would be beneficial to the projects if there was a way to identify and include a DAC component in them. He summarized that there are regional concept programs for conservation, recycled water and green infrastructure.
- Robyn asked the DWR reps (Glenn Moeller and Gary Lippner) at the CC meeting if they would consider a prison facility a DAC because Zone 7 is considering a recycled water project as the prison is a large outdoor water user.

Stormwater Flood Management Projects

- Carol announced that BAFPAA will be holding a meeting on July 15 and will review if there are any additional projects.

Ecosystem Restoration Projects

- Melanie noted that projects of this nature are usually local and locally-integrative. The Coastal Conservancy is involved in numerous developing projects in the Bay Area, many of which are ready to go and would qualify well under DWR's criteria.
- Dale and Melanie questioned if the CEMAR monitoring project would still be eligible under DWR's criteria if the CC supports it. Paul indicated that there is no threshold requirement for the cost-benefit ratio. The CC agreed that the CEMAR project should stay on the list.

Action Item(s)

- FA reps to report back on project status to CC at the next CC meeting.

4. Update on funding commitments for the next phase of IRWM support (Information, led by CC)

- Paul indicated that he has been consolidating money for the Planning grant proposal and requested for RMC to provide a scope and budget. Brian Campbell suggested that another meeting should be held to discuss the scope and budget and other related issues.
 - Paul provided a summary of allocated budget for the next phase of IRWM work:
 - \$63K from the water agencies
 - \$60K from the wastewater agencies
 - \$25K from watershed groups
 - \$25K from BAFPAA
 - Total: \$173K

Action Item(s)

- RMC to develop scope and budget for next phase of IRWM support, and Planning grant application.

5. Agenda Items for the next CC meeting

- The date of the next CC meeting is to be decided.
- Potential agenda items include:
 - Update on outreach efforts (including Open House coordination)
 - Update on project solicitation