

# STORMWATER QUALITY STANDARDS TASK FORCE

## MEETING SUMMARY

June 30, 2011

### PARTICIPANTS

Joanne Schneider (via teleconference)  
Dave Woelfel  
Allison Mackenzie  
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### REPRESENTING

Santa Ana Regional Water Quality Control Board  
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Babcock Labs  
CDM  
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City of Corona  
County of Orange  
Inland Empire Utilities Agency  
Orange County Water District  
Orange County Water District  
Orange County Coast Keeper  
Orange County  
Flow Science  
Risk Sciences  
Riverside County Flood Control and WCD  
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City of Riverside  
San Bernardino County  
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San Bernardino Municipal Water District  
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### 1. Introductions / Opening Comments

The Stormwater Quality Standards Task Force meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by Larry McKenney at the Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority, Riverside, California. Brief introductions were made.

### 2. Task Force Updates

- **State Board REC Use Proposal Update:** Dave Woelfel said that at the State Board basin plan meeting they indicated that the draft for REC use should go to the public by the end of September, and they've released an internal document that he and Joanne Schneider will comment on. He reviewed some of the document's points. The EPA will continue to use the 1986 criteria. They'll come out with draft implementation guidance by the end of September.
- **New Task Force Agreement:** Larry McKenney said that the current Task Force Agreement expires soon. He recently held a conference call with the partners and circulated an initial draft to them. He'll send a revised agreement early next week.
- **Regional Board Workshop:** The Task Force will provide an informational presentation to the Regional Board at their workshop July 15 in Loma Linda. It will be part of the administrative record. Joanne Schneider reviewed the general outline and concepts that should be conveyed in the presentation. She and Tim Moore will need to coordinate coverage of the specific sections.

### **3. Review and Comment on Discussions (used e-room site for some)**

- **UAA Technical Memos:** Task Force members can read these memos on the CDM Website.
- **Proposed MUN Actions:** Discussion ensued on the use of bacterial quality objectives for MUN waters, when to apply exceptions, and potential rationale as to why MUN should be deleted. The consensus was to do the MUN exceptions.
- **Antidegradation Targets and Implementation Language:** Joanne Schneider said that we need specific numbers to put in the draft basin plan language and implementation language. Tim Moore said that we have the numbers calculated and CDM has prepared a new table for it, which will be posted. The implementation language will be published next week; it will be uploaded to the e-room site.
- **Monitoring Program:** It has not yet been circulated. Joanne Schneider had sent it to Larry McKenney and Tim Moore for previewing first. Tim Moore will forward it for posting to CDM's e-room site.
- **High Flow Suspension: Definition and Identification of Water Bodies:** Tim Moore reviewed the handout, *Temporary High Flow Suspension for Recreational Uses* with the Task Force. He had modified the language to adhere closely to the EPA language, and highlighted those sections of the handout. Extensive discussion ensued about the high flow suspension language; determining what suspensions apply to the document's table of waters and annotating them appropriately; simplifying the table, making a blanket policy where it applies with a footnote of exceptions; removing the highlighted sections; and suggestions to most clearly revise the wording. Larry McKenney summarized that Tim Moore will re-work the text in light of the suggestions made and bring it back to the Task Force.
- **Draft Executive Summary:** Joanne Schneider reviewed the document and notated the highlighted areas. Discussion ensued on the paragraph on the continuance of fecal coliform "and/or" *E. coli* collection, the use of fecal coliform as an indicator for the REC-2 designated water bodies, and where to place the monitoring resources. It was decided to not name fecal coliform as an indicator. It also was decided to remove the sentence including "subject to availability of data."
- **Updated Schedule for Regional Board Hearing:** Tim Moore said that to be ready for the October 28 hearing date, the documents—draft Amendment, CEQA document, and the staff report—must be ready by August 23, which allows for a three week comment/response period. Any Task Force comments need to be provided by July 1 and sent to Larry McKenney, Tim Moore, or Joanne Schneider. Preparing a marked up copy is best. CDM also will create a folder on their Website for comments.

### **4. Additional Issues**

**Update Status of Plans for Recreational Use for UAA Reaches:** The information that was gathered a few years ago needs to be updated, confirming that there have been no structural changes to the conditions, as well as evidence of any further recreation; it's to reconfirm our observations. Dave Woelfel said he could visit all these sites again with the Flood Control staff. He will coordinate a matrix of which sites will be covered and email it to Larry.

**5. Next Meeting Date:** The next Task Force meeting is set for August 16, 2011 at 9:30 a.m.

The meeting adjourned at 11:48 a.m.

#### **Handout Materials**

- *Temporary High Flow Suspension for Recreational Uses*
- *Estimated Single Sample Maximum Value for E. Coli*
- *Administrative Record Index for the Basin Plan Amendment Proposal to Revise Water Quality Standards for Recreational Beneficial Uses*
- *Task Force Process*