

## MEETING NOTES

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# Basin Monitoring Program Task Force January 27, 2022

### STAKEHOLDERS PRESENT:

City of Corona, Melissa Estrada\*  
City of Riverside, Bobby Gustafson\*  
City of Riverside, Doug Edwards\*  
City of Riverside, Greg Herzog\*  
City of Riverside, Michael Plinski\*  
City of Rialto, Thomas Crowley\*  
Eastern Municipal WD, Al Javier\*  
Elsinore Valley Municipal WD, Jesus Gastelum\*

Elsinore Valley Municipal WD, Lenai Hunter\*  
Inland Empire Utilities Agency, Joshua Aguilar\*  
Orange County Water District, Greg Woodside\*  
Orange County Water District, Kevin O'Toole\*  
SBMWD/RIX JPA, Jennifer Shepardson\*  
SBMWD/RIX JPA, Marissa Flores-Acosta\*  
WMWD/WRCRWA, Mallory Gandara\*  
YVWD, Ashley Gibson\*

### OTHERS PRESENT:

Kahn Soares & Conway, LLP, Theresa (Tess) Dunham\*  
Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority, Kelly Rowe\*  
Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority, T. Milford Harrison\*  
Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority, Mark Norton\*  
Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority, Haley Mullay\*  
Santa Ana Regional Water Quality Control Board, Cindy Li\*

Santa Ana Regional Water Quality Control Board, Keith Person\*  
West Yost, Garrett Rapp\*  
West Yost, Samantha Adams\*  
West Yost, Sodavy Ou\*  
West Yost, Veva Weamer\*

\*Participated via conference call

### STAKEHOLDERS ABSENT:

Beaumont-Cherry Valley Water District  
City of Beaumont  
Chino Basin Water Master  
City of Banning  
City of Redlands

Irvine Ranch Water District  
Jurupa Community Services District  
San Geronimo Pass Water Agency  
Temescal Valley Water District

### Call to Order/Introductions

The Basin Monitoring Program Task Force (Task Force) meeting commenced at 1:32 p.m. in a virtual Zoom Meeting, in response to, and in compliance with, COVID-19 regulations. Brief introductions were made.

### Approval of December 13, 2021 Meeting Notes

The December 13, 2021 meeting notes were approved as posted.

### Workshop 2 – Critical Analysis of SAR SNMP Ambient Water Quality and Alternative Methods to Comply Pt. 2: Consideration of Alternative Methods – West Yost

Veva Weamer provided a PowerPoint presentation titled *Basin Planning Priorities Task 1 Workshop – Surface Water Monitoring Requirements and Goals for the Santa Ana River Watershed, Pt. 1: Consideration of Alternative Methods*. She explained an overview of the process that West Yost will take in evaluating the current surface water monitoring program and how it's conducted. The approach focuses on figuring out what questions need to be answered by the monitoring program and how the data is analyzed to satisfy different surface water objectives. For each Reach, the surface water objectives, metrics for compliance, data used to maintain compliance, and methods of analyzing the metrics will be thoroughly evaluated to determine an improved set of planning priorities. Today's meeting focused on information provided for Reaches 2 and 3 in detail, with Reaches 4 and 5 being a focus at a future meeting.

For each Reach, the following were presented to the Task Force for discussion:

- various sampling points
- compliance requirements (current surface water objectives) and rationale from the Basin Plan Amendment (BPA)
- historical references for methods used
- historical data and variances in calculated concentrations, as well as potential causes for variances
- potential methods for calculating data

Any comments and feedback should be emailed to Veva Weamer at [yweamer@westyost.com](mailto:yweamer@westyost.com). The next workshop in February 2022 will focus on Reaches 4 and 5 for the same review that was done on Reaches 2 and 3 today. A draft technical memorandum for Surface Water Monitoring Requirements and Goals for the Santa Ana River Watershed is anticipated for late March, early April 2022.

**Task 2 of the BMP TF 2021-2022 Planning Priorities, Progress and Next Steps – West Yost**

Samantha Adams, of West Yost, provided a verbal update on the meetings that are taking place with individual stakeholder agencies. Meetings have been set up and scheduled with most of the stakeholders. Feedback and discussions from these meetings will provide support for the planning priorities and the work that comes from this in-depth look at the monitoring processes conducted.

**Schedule Future Meetings**

The next Basin Monitoring Program Task Force meeting, which will be conducted virtually due to COVID-19, has been scheduled for Tuesday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2022, at 2:30 p.m.

**Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 3:24 p.m.