

MEETING NOTES

Basin Monitoring Program Task Force February 22, 2022

STAKEHOLDERS PRESENT:

City of Corona, Melissa Estrada*
City of Rialto, Thomas Crowley*
City of Riverside, Bobby Gustafson*
City of Riverside, Doug Edwards*
City of Riverside, Greg Herzog*
City of Riverside, Nicole Greenwood*
City of Riverside, Michael Plinski*
Eastern Municipal WD, Al Javier*
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*
San Bernardino Valley Municipal WD, Matt Howard*
SBMWD/RIX JPA, Jennifer Shepardson*
WMWD, Jennifer McMullin*
YVWD, Ashley Gibson*
YVWD, Mia Preciado*

OTHERS PRESENT:

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

Santa Ana Regional Water Quality Control Board, Eric Lindberg*
West Yost, Garrett Rapp*
West Yost, Samantha Adams*
West Yost, Sodavy Ou*
West Yost, Veva Weamer*
Water Systems Consulting, Michael Cruikshank*

*Participated via conference call

STAKEHOLDERS ABSENT:

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

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

Call to Order/Introductions

The Basin Monitoring Program Task Force (Task Force) meeting commenced at 2:32 p.m. in a virtual Zoom Meeting, in response to, and in compliance with, COVID-19 regulations. Brief introductions were made.

Approval of January 27, 2021 Meeting Notes

The January 27, 2021 meeting notes were approved as posted.

Draft Basin Monitoring Program Task Force FY 2022-2023 Budget – SAWPA

Mark Norton presented a draft FY 22-23 BMP budget for the next fiscal year as it approaches. This version of the 2022-2023 Fiscal Year Budget for the Task Force was initially reviewed last year during the budget review for Fiscal Year 2021- 2022. Due to additional funding needs for planning priorities, it was approved by the Task Force to defer the annual contributions for the Triennial Ambient Water Quality update to be collected during Fiscal Year 2022-2023 to alleviate some of the financial burden off of Fiscal Year 2021-2022. The draft budget document will be distributed to the Task Force after the meeting for review. There was no action taken on the budget today and will be brought back for approval from the Task Force at the next meeting.

Draft Basin Plan Amendment Update – KSC/Regional Board Staff

Tess Dunham, of Kahn, Soares, and Conway, LLP, requested an update from Cindy Li, of the Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB), on the Basin Plan Amendment (BPA), approved by the RWQCB at their December 2021 meeting. Cindy Li stated that the BPA and the administrative record has a tentative presentation date of May 15, 2022 for State Board approval.

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 and Garrett Rapp, of West Yost, provided a PowerPoint presentation titled *Basin Planning Priorities Task 1 Workshop – Surface Water Monitoring Requirements and Goals for the Santa Ana River Watershed, Part 2 and Analysis of Modeling Tools*. Similar to the last meeting's presentation, this time for Reaches 3 and 4, the surface water objectives, metrics for compliance, and methods of analyzing the metrics were thoroughly reviewed to determine an improved set of planning priorities. Any comments and feedback should be emailed to Veva Weamer at vweamer@westyost.com.

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

Samantha Adams, of West Yost, provided a PowerPoint Presentation titled *Task 2 Update – Groundwater Monitoring Program*. She reviewed details about the meetings that are being conducted with stakeholders and reviewed a list of agencies that have not held meetings with West Yost. She shared thoughts on the final work product for the groundwater portion of the planning priorities, such as, overviews of groundwater monitoring plans, proposed plans for filling in data gaps and annual data compilation.

Schedule Future Meetings

The next Basin Monitoring Program Task Force meeting, which will be conducted virtually due to COVID-19, has been scheduled for Monday, April 11th, 2022, at 10:00 a.m.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 3:24 p.m.