MEETING NOTES OF THE LAKE ELSINORE/CANYON LAKE TMDL TASK FORCE MEETING

July 31, 2013

PARTICIPANTS REPRESENTATIVE

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Call to Order & Introductions

The Lake Elsinore/Canyon Lake TMDL Task Force meeting was called to order at 1:30 p.m. by the Chair, Jason Uhley at Elsinore Valley Municipal Water District, Lake Elsinore, California.

Meeting Notes from the Task Force Meeting held May 14, 2013

The Task Force meeting notes of May 14, 2013, were unanimously approved as submitted.

Update: Riverside County CNRP

Mr. Uhley informed the Task Force that the CNRP was approved by the Regional Board on July 19th.

Mr. Uhley then provided a presentation to the Task Force an overview of the CNRP background and process.

Brief discussion ensued regarding previous studies that were prepared for the Task Force and LESJWA, which provide direction on strategies to address the TMDLs.

Update: Riverside County CNRP and San Jacinto AgNMP

Ms. Boldt informed the Task Force that the AgNMP was submitted to the Regional Board in July. No comments were received and the plan will go before the Board in the next few months.

Update: EVMWD Recycled Water Discharge Permit Renewal (Norris Brandt/EVMWD)

Mr. Brand provided a brief overview of EVMWD permit for their recycled water facility. He informed the Task Force that nothing significant has changed from the 2005 permit. EVMWD will continue to put approximately 0.5 mgd of recycled water into the Temescal Creek, and the balance of the recycled water is used to supplement Lake Elsinore. The Regional Board has approved their plan to address TDS. They are currently working with the Regional Board to create a plan to off-set nutrient loading.

Currently, EVMWD does not need an off-set for TP; however they may in the future. The issue right now for EVMWD is to address TN. To this extent, for the District to continue to add recycled water to Lake Elsinore, they will need to apply all of the available credits from the aeration system. Additionally, EVMWD is evaluating a nutrient monitoring program to be conducted triennially to track nutrient loading to the lake.

Update: Lake Elsinore Aeration Agreement (Tim Moore/Risk Sciences)

Mr. Uhley provided a brief update on the Lake Elsinore Aeration Agreement.

There was discussion of expanding the agreement to provide a holistic approach on treating Lake Elsinore by including other possible BMPs as part of a future agreement.

It was recommended that the interested parties form a smaller business negotiation group to meet separately, without a consultant or LESJWA staff support to work on an agreement to fund and allocate credits for the aeration project.

Update: Canyon Lake Hybrid Treatment Project

Alum Application

Mr. Whetsel provided a brief status report on the Alum treatment project. Aquatechnex was selected by the LE&CL Technical Review Committee. Their selection will go before the LESJWA board on August 7th.

Alum Effectiveness Monitoring RFP

Mr. Whetsel provided an update on the Alum effectiveness RFP that was issued by LESJWA and which was closed on July 30th. LESJWA received one response to the RFP from MWH working as a partner to Dr. James Noblet from California State University-San Bernardino.

Mr. Whetsel provided a brief overview of the MWH proposal and the cost. After a brief discussion, a motion was made to recommend the approval of the MWH proposal and take it forward for approval to the LESJWA Board at the August 7th meeting.

Task Force Administration

Task Force Agreement (Signature Status)

Mr. Whetsel read off a list of the Task force members who still need to provide signatures for the Task force agreement. These include: CA Dept. Fish & Game, City of Perris and March JPA.

Task Force Budget

Mr. Whetsel distributed as an informational item a detailed budget worksheet that showed the annual costs of the task force and cash contributions for each stakeholder over the life of the Task Force. This worksheet also included an up-to-date estimate of the funds available to the Task Force.

Following up on concerns regarding the proposed FY 2013-14 load based cost allocation model to allocate stakeholder costs for the Canyon lake Hybrid treatment project (Alum Addition), stakeholders requested a special meeting to review the model methodology.

A meeting date was set for 9:00 a.m. Thursday, August 29th at SAWPA (this meeting was eventually expanded to serve as the next Task Force meeting date).

Mr. Uhley announced that he would make a copy of the load based cost allocation model available to stakeholders following some final revisions to the model.

Risk Sciences Scope of Work to Support Task Force

In response to comments at the June 20th LESJWA Board meeting, LE&CL TMDL stakeholders were requested to review the language of the Risk Sciences FY 2013-14 Scope of Work.

Mr. Norton presented a brief overview of the Risk Sciences Scope of Work to the Task Force, noting the language in question. After a lengthy discussion a motion was put forward to revise the language as follows, "Prepare and revise cost sharing and credit allocation agreements". The motion passed.

Discussion: Idyllwild Wildfires

There was a brief discussion regarding the recent Idyllwild wildfire and the impact to water quality from runoff of the forest. It was discussed that the USFS no longer monitors at the Cranston Guard Station and that there could be value on collecting data at this site to determine impacts from the fires.

Hope Smythe suggested that the Regional Board will follow-up with the USFS to discuss the issue.

Other Business

Ms. Cathy Jochai announced that CalTrans has agreed to continue to be a participant in the Task Force and that she expects the past invoices to be paid in the near future. She also announced her retirement and introduced her replacement Mr. William Pan.

Schedule Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, August 29, 2013 at 9:00 a.m. at SAWPA.

Adjourn

As there was no further business for review, the meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.