

**MEETING NOTES  
OF THE  
LAKE ELSINORE/CANYON LAKE TMDL TASK FORCE  
April 19, 2017**

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City of Hemet  
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City of Lake Elsinore  
City of Menifee  
City of Perris/MJPA  
City of Riverside  
City of San Jacinto  
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**Via Conference Call:**

Steve Pastor  
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**Call to Order & Introductions**

The Lake Elsinore/Canyon Lake TMDL Task Force meeting was called to order at 1:05 p.m. by Mark Norton at the Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority, Riverside, California.

**Meeting Notes**

The Meeting Notes were approved by the Task Force for the meeting held on March 22, 2017.

**Recommendation: Amec Foster Wheeler Change Orders (LESJWA Staff)**

Mark Norton requested Task Force Stakeholders to consider ratifying the following to expand the scope of the Amec Foster Wheeler TMDL Compliance Monitoring Task Order to include the following.

**A. Cyanotoxin Monitoring for Lake Elsinore and Canyon Lake (\$28,252)**

In response to the detection of cyanotoxins in Lake Elsinore and Canyon Lake in 2016, stakeholders requested one year of monitoring for cyanotoxins to be implemented as part of the routine TMDL compliance monitoring of both lakes.

Additionally, this task includes an option for cyanotoxin monitoring focused to address public health concerns for Canyon Lake if the City chooses to fund this additional monitoring through the Task Force.

**B. Water Quality Data Management (\$5,000)**

Amec Foster Wheeler has requested additional funds to complete formatting and data QA/QC related efforts in regard to historic TMDL-related monitoring data to be uploaded to the California Environmental Data Exchange Network (CEDEN).

Following a brief discussion, Lynn Merrill/representing City of San Jacinto moved to approve a Change Order to include the above. The motion was seconded by Steve Horn /County of Riverside, and was unanimously approved by the stakeholders.

The Change Order will go to the LESJWA Board for approval this afternoon (April 19<sup>th</sup>).

### **Discussion: Update and Revise TMDLS (CDM Smith/Risk Sciences)**

Steven Wolosoff presented to stakeholders on the draft TMDL wasteload and load allocations.

A direct link is provided below to SAWPA's website containing the presentation(s) given at the meeting:

<http://www.sawpa.org/wp-content/uploads/2012/05/2017-4-19-Load-Reductions-from-Existing-Control-Progs1.pdf>

Tim Moore reported that he and Richard Meyerhoff will be sharing the Draft TMDL Technical Document, the original TMDL Technical Document, and other relevant documents for the purposes of conducting a peer review. This peer review will be conducted with two senior staff representatives of the Colorado regulatory community. The focus of this peer review is to gauge from a regulatory perspective whether the approach laid out in our updated TMDL Technical Document is reasonable and clearly understandable.

Mr. Moore and Mr. Meyerhoff will report back to stakeholders on this peer review at a future meeting.

### **Lake Updates**

#### Lake Elsinore

Rita Thompson stated that the current lake level for Lake Elsinore is 1,240.08 feet above sea level and overall the lake appears to be healthy.

Tim Moore asked about the salinity levels in the lake. Chris Stransky reported that the electrical conductivity (EC) values were about 3,500 ( $\mu\text{S}/\text{cm}$ ), about half of what they were prior to the winter storms.

#### Canyon Lake

Mark Norton announced there was a recent article in the Press Enterprise that discussed all of the positive feedback from the Canyon Lake Alum Project.

Mr. Norton also shared photos of the new Canyon Lake Alum Project signs installed at the lake.

### **Task Force Administration (LESJWA Staff)**

Mark Norton informed stakeholders of this afternoon's LESJWA Board meeting which will include recommendations to approve the Change Order to the Amec Foster Wheeler Task Order to conduct TMDL Compliance monitoring, the Amendment to the LE&CL TMDL Task Force Agreement and the LEAMS Licensing Agreement.

### **Other Business**

Mr. Chris Stransky /Amec Foster Wheeler reminded stakeholders of the Harmful Algal Blooms (HABs) workshop at SCCWRP April 25<sup>th</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup>. The first day of the workshop will cover marine bacteria, and then freshwater the other two days.

Stuart McKibbin announced the April 28<sup>th</sup> Regional Board workshop, which will cover discussion of the new 303D list released by the State and the County's response letter discussing the DDT listing for Lake Elsinore among issues of concern.

### **Schedule Next Meeting**

The next LE&CL TMDL Task Force meetings are scheduled for Tuesday, May 16<sup>th</sup> from 1:30p.m.- 4:00 p.m. at SAWPA, and on Tuesday, June 13<sup>th</sup> from 9:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at SAWPA.

### **Adjourn**

The meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.