

## MEETING SUMMARY

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# Basin Monitoring Program Task Force

May 23, 2018

### STAKEHOLDERS PRESENT:

City of Corona, Jennifer McMullin  
City of Rialto, Tom Crowley  
City of Riverside, Edward Filadelfia  
City of Riverside, Greg Herzog  
Eastern Municipal Water District, Al Javier  
Elsinore Valley Municipal WD, Jesus Gastelum

Elsinore Valley Municipal WD, Lenai Hunter [phone]  
Inland Empire Utilities Agency, Joshua Aguilar  
Orange County Water District, Marsha Westropp  
WRCRWA, Mallory Gandara  
Yucaipa Valley Water District, Ashley Gibson

### OTHERS PRESENT:

Chino Basin Water Conservation District, Steve Sentes  
Daniel B. Stephens & Associates, Joe LeClaire  
Geoscience Support Services, Dennis Williams  
Geoscience Support Services, Johnson Yeh  
Geoscience Support Services, Lauren Wicks  
Risk Sciences, Tim Moore  
S.A. Watershed Project Authority, Bruce Whitaker  
S.A. Watershed Project Authority, Ian Achimore

S.A. Watershed Project Authority, Mark Norton  
S.A. Watershed Project Authority, Rick Whetsel  
S.A. Watershed Project Authority, Susan Lien Longville  
S.A. Watershed Project Authority, Zyanya Ramirez  
S.A. Regional Water Quality Control Board, Cindy Li  
S.A. Regional Water Quality Control Board, Eric Lindberg  
S.A. Regional Water Quality Control Board, Keith Person  
S.A. Regional Water Quality Control Board, Mark Smythe

### STAKEHOLDERS ABSENT:

Beaumont-Cherry Valley Water District  
Chino Basin Watermaster  
City of Banning  
City of Beaumont  
City of Redlands  
Irvine Ranch Water District

Jurupa Community Service District  
RIX JPA  
San Bernardino Valley Municipal WD  
San Gorgonio Pass Water Agency  
Temescal Valley Water District

### Call to Order/Introductions

The Basin Monitoring Program Task Force (Task Force) meeting was called to order at 1:31 p.m. at the Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority (SAWPA) located at 11615 Sterling Avenue, Riverside, California.

### Public Comments

There were no public comments.

### Approval of April 16, 2018 Meeting Summary

Meeting summary was approved with a minor edit.

### SAR Wasteload Allocation Model Update Status Report – Geoscience

Johnson Yeh provided a PowerPoint presentation on the Santa Ana River Wasteload Allocation Model, which included an updated project schedule and an overview of the Technical Memo: Major Assumptions for Predictive Model Scenarios.

Yeh reported that Task 1 in the WLAM is complete; no comments were received for Task 2; and Task 3 is pending on data approval of the assumptions. After the data is approved, it will take Geoscience four weeks to complete Task 3.

At the previous Task Force meeting, SAWPA suggested to Geoscience to review the 2015 aerial mapping data that was collected under the SAWPA Emergency Drought Grant Program since the Land Use data to be used by Geoscience was last updated in 2012. After reviewing the 2015 aerial mapping data, it was determined that it was not categorized as needed and to avoid introducing errors to the model, Geoscience proposed continuing the use of 2012 land use data.

Geoscience was instructed to correct the category 'Maximum Expected Discharge' under the Recycled Water Discharge to Surface Water assumption to 'Maximum Permitting Discharge or Design Capacity'. Tim

Moore explained that the other two categories, 'Average Expected Discharge' and 'Minimum Expected Discharge', are based on what is expected to be discharged where the 'Maximum Permitting Discharge/Design Capacity' category is based on capacity. Discussion ensued regarding the value of the minimum expected discharge trends.

A summary of assumptions for the following locations were provided: City of Beaumont, Yucaipa Valley Water District, San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District, City of Rialto, City of San Bernardino, City of Riverside, Inland Empire Utilities Agency, Western Riverside County Regional Wastewater Authority, City of Corona, Temescal Valley Water District, Elsinore Valley Municipal Water District, Eastern Municipal Water District, and US Army Corps of Engineers.

Geoscience requested that stakeholders submit missing data and or submit edits to questionable data by June 1, 2018 and provide final comments to the Technical Memorandum: Santa Ana River Wasteload Allocation Model Update – Major Assumption for Predictive Model Scenarios that will be distributed to the Task Force after the meeting by June 8, 2018. Tim Moore informed the Task Force that scenarios will need to be approved at the next Task Force meeting in order to stay within the project schedule.

#### **Annual Santa Ana River Water Quality Report Requirements – SAWPA/Risk Sciences**

The draft 2017 Annual Santa Ana River Water Quality Report (report) was distributed to the Task Force on May 22, 2018. Rick Whetsel provided an overview of the changes made to the report. He pointed out that there is currently an outlier sample in the report that is being reviewed by Regional Board.

Tim Moore, Risk Sciences, explained the importance of removing several irrelevant data entries that may set the Task Force up for 303D listing or noncompliance. He stated that he will work on a write up as to why the report looked different this year.

Due to other deadlines, it was the consensus of the Task Forces to change the comment deadline comments to end of day, Friday, June 15, 2018.

#### **Drought Policy Regulatory Changes Discussion – Risk Sciences**

At the last meeting Tim Moore described the rationale for deleting the increment-of-use limits from the permits. It was pointed out that perhaps the increment-of-use limits encourage dischargers to do the best they can and get rid of substances like water softeners. Moore stated that although a discharger won't have an incremental limit, Regional Board could still require a best effort requirement. Moore indicated that a Basin Plan amendment will not be required to implement said provision.

The goal is to have the Drought Policy presented to the Regional Board at the same time as the Wasteload Allocation Model.

#### **Schedule Future Meetings**

The following is a list of upcoming meetings:

- Regular BMP meeting – Wednesday, June 20, 2018 at 1:00 p.m. at SAWPA – Board Room
- CEQA Scoping Meeting – Wednesday, June 20, 2018 at 3:00 p.m. at SAWPA – Board Room
- Regular BMP meeting – Tuesday, August 14, 2018 at 1:00 p.m. at SAWPA – Board Room

#### **Adjournment**

3:44 p.m.