

**Meeting Minutes**  
**Santa Barbara Countywide**  
**Integrated Regional Water Management Plan**  
**Cooperating Partners Meeting**  
**November 20, 2008**  
**9:00 am – 12:00 pm**

**Location**

**Location:** Central Coast Water Authority, 255 Industrial Way, Buellton, CA 93427

**Conference call in number: 805- 681-5400**

**Passcode: 822484**

**Attendees**

**Project Proponents**

Joe Barget, Vandenberg Village Community Services District; Tom Conti, City of Santa Barbara; Janet Gingras, COMB & Cachuma Conservation Release Board; Charles Hamilton, Carpinteria Valley Water District; Matt van der Linden, Goleta Water District, Gary McFarland, Goleta Water District; Matt Naftaly, Santa Barbara County Water Agency; Teresa Reyburn, City of Santa Maria.

**On the Conference Call**

Rob Almy, SAIC; Craig Murray, Carpinteria Sanitary District; Marty Wilder, Laguna Sanitation District; Robin Gorley, Casmalia Community Services District, Shruti Ramaker, Aspen Environmental

**Others Present**

Tom Evans, Dudek; Jane Gray, Dudek

**Proceedings**

The meeting began at 9:12. There were no public comments for items not on the Agenda. The minutes for the October 14, 2008 meeting were approved as presented.

**Proposition 50, Step 2 Grant**

Matt Naftaly began the meeting by announcing that the Resolution authorizing Scott McGolpin to sign the State Agreement, Sub-Agreement and MOU for Prop 50/IRWM passed the BOS on November 18, 2008.

Then, a discussion ensued about the invoicing dates, specifically the first invoice period which extends from July 2008 to December 2008 and is usually the most difficult to prepare. As it stands now, the State requires invoicing to be completed by the 20<sup>th</sup> of each quarter, which in turn means that Kennedy/Jenks has to have all Project Proponent's invoicing information by the 10<sup>th</sup> of each quarter. Therefore, the Project Proponents would have to have all the invoicing for the 1<sup>st</sup> invoicing period to Kennedy/Jenks by January 10, 2009. Many of the Project Proponents expressed concern on the timing and hesitance on the ability to get all the invoicing completed within the time frame. There were alternatives suggested to the first invoice, including requesting that the first invoice period conclude in November and another suggestion was that

the first invoice be given more time to complete and not be turned in on the 20<sup>th</sup> to the State. Matt Naftaly was going to talk with Kelley about both of the previously mentioned suggestions as options for this first invoicing period.

Matt discussed that Kelley List would be in Santa Barbara beginning December 2, 2008 for a Kick-Off meeting at the Granada Garage from 1:30-3:30. This meeting would serve as an informational meeting on invoicing and even though the meeting officially ended at 3:30, Kelley did express that she was available for specific questions after the 3:30 adjournment. He also announced that Kelley would be finishing up a tour of the project sites the rest of that week and he outlined her itinerary.

Another meeting was tentatively scheduled for December 11, 2008 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at a location to be determined. The subject of this meeting would be a training session with Kennedy/Jenks on use of the website.

Matt requested that all agencies give him information on their financials and end dates for the projects by November 21, 2008. This information was requested by the State. He said that he had only received financial information from Laguna Sanitary District.

The conversation then turned to post-contract execution deadlines, the first being that GPS data and Project Proponent's PAEPs would need to be in place 30 days after execution of the contract. The final contract with the State was anticipated to be received sometime the week of November 24, 2008 and then signed by Scott McGolpin shortly thereafter. Kate Rees and Janet Gingras suggested that Project Proponents get the PAEPs and GPS information into the State by January 19, 2009, predicated upon a December 18, 2008 execution date for the State contract.

Finally, Charles Hamilton suggested that the Water Agency draft a Press Release announcing signing of the IRWM and Matt said that he would consider it. Charles offered his assistance in preparing the release.

## **Prop 84 Conference Call with Cooperating Partners**

### **Cooperating Partners**

Joe Barget, Vandenberg Village Community Services District; Tom Conti, City of Santa Barbara; Janet Gingras, COMB & Cachuma Conservation Release Board; Charles Hamilton, Carpinteria Valley Water District; Matt van der Linden, Goleta Water District, Gary McFarland, Goleta Water District; Matt Naftaly, Santa Barbara County Water Agency; Teresa Reyburn, City of Santa Maria. Kevin Walsh, Bruce Wales, Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District, John Brady

### **On the Conference Call**

Rob Almy, SAIC; Craig Murray, Carpinteria Sanitary District; David Chang, Santa Barbara County, Agricultural Commissioner's Office; Maureen Gaash, City of Goleta, Robin Gorley, Casmalia Community Services District, Shruti Ramaker, Aspen Environmental

### **Others Present**

Tom Evans, Dudek; Jane Gray, Dudek

## **Proceedings**

This portion of the meeting began at 10:00 and was led by Rob Almy.

### **Prop 84**

Rob Almy gave an overview of the two pieces of legislation that give shape to the IRWM, one being SBxxI and Prop 1E. He then discussed that the Department of Water Resources was holding and expedited implementation round and a longer term planning round for awarding of grant monies. For the expedited round, which is specific to the Prop 84 funding and Prop 1E funding located in SBxxI, DWR anticipated a regional acceptance process in December of '08 and development of guidelines throughout that month. Regional acceptance of sub-regions would be based on hydro, topographic and political regions. DWR anticipated issuing draft guidelines in Jan/Feb of 2009 which would be out for Public Comment until April/May and final guidelines were anticipated in May of '09. There would likely be a six week interval between the final guidelines and issuance of the grant solicitation. Thereafter, there would be 2-2.5 months for draft decisions and comments and DWR was looking to encumber grant monies for the expedited round in August of '09. The Prop 84 process allocates \$181 million in funds overall in a 15-month period. The Central Coast Region overall has a funding cap of \$17.3 million. In addition, Rob explained that in the expedited round that there is 1 grant per IRWM Region and that there is a 1/9 Grant Cap in each Funding Area. Additionally, the Funding Area cap will be no more than 1/3 of the Funding Area. Thus, for the Central Coast, that translates to approximately \$5.7 million (1/9) with a cap of 17.3 million (1/3). DWR also stated that although there is no commitment to fund each Funding Area, it is the intent to fund each Funding Area.

In order to qualify for the Cooperating partners to qualify for the expedited round, it was agreed that the immediate tasks would need to be determination (confirmation) of an area and revisions to project list that was considered for the Prop 50/IRWM process.

Next, an explanation of the long term integrated plan program was explained. The tentative schedule for this round would include the release of standards in March/April for Public Comment and finalization of applications for planning grants are targeted for July and August with funding available in November of 2009. Following, Implementation grant applications would be available in 2010. There is presently no funding available. The legislature would be funding this in the summer of 2010.

Rob further explained that the State wants to see projects address a range of water quality issues. Project grants must implement Demand Management Measures (DMM) based on AB 1420 and equates DMMs with BMPs as identified by the California Urban Water Conservation Council MOU.

Subsequently, the group discussed whether or not to participate in the expedited round and it was suggested that there be a follow-up phone call at the December 2, 2008 meeting to specifically address the question of participation in the expedited grant round.

The meeting then moved on to the discussion of an Oversight/Project Coordination position for Prop 84. All consultants were asked to leave,

### **Next Meeting**

The next meeting was scheduled for December 2, 2008 at the Granada Garage, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Conference Room, Santa Barbara, CA from 1:00-3:00 with Kelley List.

### **The meeting was then adjourned**