



Meeting Notes

East Stanislaus Integrated Regional Water Management Plan

Subject: Public Advisory Committee Meeting No. 1
Date/Time: June 26, 2017 / 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Location: Conference Call / Skype Meeting
1 (415) 735-9405; Conference ID: 2401583
Project Number: 0080-013

Attendees: Jim Alves (City of Modesto); Karen Morgan (City of Waterford); Patrick Koepele (Tuolumne River Trust); Kevin Kauffman (Eastside Water District and East Turlock Subbasin GSA JPA); Abigail Solis (Self-Help Enterprises); Leslie Dumas, Lindsey Wilcox, Josh Uecker (RMC)

1. Purpose of the Meeting

- Introduce IRWM planning process
- Review Update approach
- Review avenues for public involvement
- Identify next steps and action items

2. Discussion Summary

- Overview of IRWM Program
 - Lindsey provided overview of the IRWM Program in California and IRWM Plans
- East Stanislaus Region
 - Lindsey provided overview of the East Stan IRWM Region including its boundaries, how it was formed and by whom, and when the first IRWMP was completed
- IRWMP Update Overview
 - Patrick Question: Question regarding roles and governance structure for the region. See info in governance section of presentation. Essentially, the ESRWMP, the Regional Water Management Group for the Region, is the top of the group (cities and county elected officials/policy representatives) supported by Steering Committee (cities and county staff) and Public Advisory Committee (open to public, other stakeholders and interested parties)
 - Patrick Question: What projects have been funded in the region so far?
 - Two projects funded under 2015 IRWM implementation grant:
 1. North Valley Regional Recycled Water Program – a regional recycled water project being implemented by the Cities of Modesto, Ceres, and Turlock and Del Puerto Water District (located in the Westside-San Joaquin IRWM Region) providing recycled water for agricultural water supply reliability and in-lieu recharge
 2. Modesto urban flooding and groundwater recharge project – added low impact development and gravity pipe infrastructure to move floodwater

out of disadvantaged area, rehab to park, and provide groundwater recharge

- Governance and Public Involvement
 - Steering Committee members are welcome to attend PAC meetings, though they are not required.
 - As of the meeting date, there were no official PAC members. That was the purpose of this meeting – to solicit participation and start the process of identifying PAC members. As the ESIRWMP Update Stakeholder Contact List is further updated, during DAC focused outreach including phone calls and face-to-face meetings, and during the August public workshop, additional PAC participation will be sought and additional members may be added.
 - Kevin: For the Eastside Water District and Eastside JPA – would be on the PAC and would likely provide a letter of support after the IRWMP Update is finalized
 - Abigail Question: In terms of those that have been reached out to: has there been any effort to reach out to DACs and what is the plan to do so? Response:
 - The project team is in the process of updating and identifying DACs and finding appropriate DAC contacts for direct outreach
 - Monterey Park tract has previously been involved as a DAC participant
 - Waterford, Modesto, and other DACs are also included on the Steering Committee
 - Jim (from Modesto): has a list of contacts that he has reached out to, but not sure if all the information is up-to-date (didn't get any emails bounced back). Jim will add Abigail to PAC contact list
 - Abigail will review DAC contact list included in the Stakeholder Contact List spreadsheet and add to it if she has additional information
- Next Steps
 - For PAC membership: Request one representative and one alternate, if feasible, to represent agency/organization/group to assist in continuity by ensuring a representative from each PAC member agency attends every meeting
 - Kevin: Happy to review draft deliverables and wanted to make sure he gets emailed. Requests to be PAC member for the two agencies that he represents
 - Abigail: Self-Help Enterprises is interested in being a PAC member. She will confirm who the representative and alternate will be.
 - Patrick: Interested in being a PAC member for Tuolumne River Trust – communication dropped off in earlier process, would like to be kept in the loop through project submittal and selection process. (Note: Patrick out-of-town the last two weeks of July). Patrick had a question about how projects are selected for grant applications under the IRWM Plan. Response:
 - Process is outlined in the IRWM Plan and is being updated. The Project Selection Process is agreed upon by the Steering Committee and PAC and projects on the Plan's project list are scored based on the agreed scoring criteria. A consensus-based approach is then used for identifying projects from the Project List to include in the grant application which will result in a competitive application to increase chances of success.

- Abigail Question: are PAC meetings usually every month? Response – yes. PAC members should expect monthly calls/meetings, from now to December. If a face-to-face meeting is conducted, in person attendance is recommended; however, call-in information is provided in case that is not possible.
- The next PAC meeting will be in July, immediately following the SC. Meeting date to be determined. RMC will send information once date/location are identified.
- As PAC members, Abigail, Patrick, and Kevin will be responsible for reviewing various draft documents that have been completed to date as part of the ESIRWMP Update. Comments are to be provided to RMC via email or verbally over the phone. Drafts will be provided in track changes form (red-line).
 - Stakeholder Contact List – ASAP
 - DAC/EDA/Native American TM – by Th 7/6 (note that this information is also captured in Chapter 2.1.7, so review of this TM is not imperative as long as Ch 2 is reviewed).
 - Chapter 2 ESIRWM Region – by Th 7/6
 - Chapter 4 Governance, Coordination, and Outreach – by Th 7/6
 - Chapter 5 Vision, Goals, and Objectives - by Mon 7/3 (when reviewing, please consider any changes to the goals and objectives. We would like to finalize those within the next few weeks as they will feed into the project solicitation and prioritization process)
 - Stakeholder Communication & Outreach Plan – by Fri 7/14
 - PAC Roles & Responsibilities – by the next PAC meeting (TBD)

3. Action Items

Item No.	Responsible Party		Due Date	Task/Action Item
	Organization	Name		
1	RMC	Lindsey	6/28	Send Abigail Solis (Self-Help Enterprises) Stakeholder Contact List to add DACs and associated contacts
2	RMC	Lindsey	6/27	Add Kevin Kauffman, Abigail Solis, and Patrick Koepele to the PAC roster
3	PAC	Kevin, Abigail, and Patrick	6/30	Provide representative and alternate members for PAC participation to Lindsey
4	PAC	Kevin, Abigail, and Patrick	various	Review draft documents prepared to date for the ESIRWMP Update as bulleted above