

Minutes for Poso Creek IRWM Plan Implementation Meeting

Location: Semitropic Water Storage District's Office Meeting Date and Time: <u>Tuesday, January 3rd</u>, 2017; <u>12 – 2 PM</u> Attendees are welcome to call in to this public meeting on a conference line. Phone (888) 806-5025 Participant Code <u>738207</u>

- 1. **Call to Order and Roll Call -** The meeting was called to order, attendees signed in on the attendance log at the entryway.
- 2. Agenda Modifications None.
- 3. **Public Comment –** None.
- 4. **Introductions and Recognition of Guests** Introductions were initiated by Dana Munn, Chairman.
- 5. Acceptance of previous meeting Minutes Isela Medina moved, Roland Gross 2nd, to accept the November 1st meeting Minutes.

6. **Discussion Topics and Status Reports**

- a. IRWM Planning Grant Funding The RWMG discussed the successful planning grant award, anticipated schedule to have a signed agreement with DWR, and DWR's expectation of completing the IRWM Plan Update. The RWMG was reminded that the Plan Update scope includes some funding to incorporate the recent Kern/Poso Stormwater Resources Plan into the Poso IRWM Plan.
- b. DAC Needs Assessment for Poso Creek IRWM Region AB 1249 The RWMG reviewed the scope of the proposed DAC Needs Assessment, requirements, and discussed the funding allocated to this effort that was part of the Poso Creek IRWM Plan Update. The RWMG discussed need to coordinate the DAC Needs Assessment with the DAC Inv. Proposed scope of work to ensure not duplicating any overlapping scope.
- c. Project Submittals and Annual Report Card The RWMG discussed the updated Project List, how it has been maintained in a spreadsheet to capture planning and implementation activity. Dana Munn identified the SWID-Semitropic Intertie Pipeline as an example of projects under consideration for improvement that may not have a Poso Creek IRWM Project Submittal form filled out. The RWMG suggested making another effort in 2017 to communicate the Poso project list to the Poso Creek IRWM Plan participants. The task is to send out an e-mail with a PDF of the Poso Creek IRWM project list and continue the effort of collecting new and updated project characterization forms using the Project Submittal form.



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- DAC Inv. Proposal Poso Creek IRWM Group Letter of Support Eric Quinley reported that Denise England included the Poso Creek RWMG comments on the DAC Inv. Proposal in her letter and provided the RWMG with some discussion on the key points made. A motion to approve the use of the Poso RWMG's letter of support to the DAC Inv. Proposal was made by Frank Ohnesorgen, second by Isela Medina, and voted in favor by the RWMG.
- e. Reclamation's FOA for Drought Planning GEI suggested the Poso RWMG consider Reclamation's drought contingency planning FOA (funding opportunity announcement), which would be due in February. If applied for and funded, this would complement the Poso Plan Update. GEI also discussed the grant agreement files for Poso Creek Plan Update scope of work with DWR could be modified to include a chapter on drought contingency planning, in case of receiving the federal funds. The RWMG suggested to go forward with the Reclamation Drought Funding application with a target amount of \$10,000 or less to support this application.
- f. Annual Budget for 2017 Activities Isela Medina provided a proposed budget for 2017 RWMG activities and a status of the RWMG credits based on billing each member of the RWMG with SSJMUD formally joining the RWMG in 2016. Isela led a discussion of timing for the credits and billing, which was acceptable to the RWMG. Isela Medina made a motion to approve the 2017 RWMG Activities Budget and to issue credits through billing on the past activity to complete the SSJMUD process entering the RWMG. Roland Gross provided a second and the motion passed by RWMG vote.

7. **Funding Opportunities**

- a. <u>State:</u> Prop 1, 2015 AgWUE funds, DAC Inv. Proposal, and 2016 IRWM Planning. Sam Schaefer, GEI, provided on overview and status of each funding agreement with DWR.
- b. <u>Federal:</u> Reclamation programs: WaterSMART, CalFED, San Joaquin River Restoration Program, and Drought Bill. Sam Schaefer, GEI, provided on overview and status of each funding agreement or FOA with Reclamation



8. Anticipated Action Items; additional items to be added at the workshop/meeting

- Complete DAC Involvement Grant Proposal Letter of Support Action completed at this January 3rd, 2017 meeting.
- Schedule 2017 proposed activities identified in annual budget The RWMG discussed the focus on next few months was to complete grant applications, existing funding agreements, and to close out past project funded.
- Respond to DWR regarding Poso Creek IRWM Planning Grant agreement The RWMG discussed having GEI respond as needed to the DWR for entering into the grant funding agreement. GEI and several of the Poso Creek IRWM RWMG members were to meet with Sacramento DWR IRWM and AgWUE staff in January as part of their trip to Reclamations' Water User Conference in Reno.
- 9. <u>Suggested Date and Agenda Items for Next Regular Meeting</u>: Next scheduled dates for a regular public meeting to be held is February 7th or March 7th.

10. Adjournment

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Meeting Attendance Log January 3rd, 2017

Attending Call In

Name	Organization		
Susie Rodriguez	Allensworth Community Services District		
Michelle Denise Pierro	Allensworth Community Services District		
Matt Hurley	Angiola WD / Deer Creek SWD / STC WM Auth		
Tim Ashlock	Buena Vista Water Storage District		
Andrew Bell	Buena Vista Water Storage District		
Sarge Green	California Water Institute, CSU Fresno		
David Ansolabehere	Cawelo Water District		
Dave Hampton	Cawelo Water District		
Roman Dowling	City of Delano		
Craig Wilson	City of Delano		
Joe Rojas	City of Delano		
Bob Wilburn	City of McFarland		
Dee Jaspar	City of McFarland – Consulting Engineer		
Curtis Skaggs	City of McFarland – Consulting Engineer		
Scott Hurlbert	City of Shafter		
Michael James	City of Shafter		
Bob Wren	City of Wasco		
Kristin Dobbin	Community Water Center	X	
Bob Downs	County of Kern ESPS	Ĺ	
Denise England	County of Tulare		
John Jones	D.W.R. Inc.		
Eric Quinley	Delano-Earlimart Irrigation District		X
Sam Schaefer	GEI Consultants, Inc.	×.	
Matt Wicks	GEI Consultants, Inc.		
Dan Howes	Irrigation and Training Research Center, BioResource and Ag Engineering, Cal Poly, SLO		
Shannon Ladwig	Kern National Wildlife Refuge		
Nicole Bell	Kern River Watershed Coalition Authority		
Steve Dalke	Kern-Tulare Water District		
Skye Grass	Kern-Tulare Water District		
Costas Cecero	Kern-Tulare Water District		

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Amando Garza	Lost Hills Utility District / Cannon		
Rosario Villasana	Lost Hills Utility District		
James Booth	Natural Resources Conservation Service		
Sarah Tanuvasa	Natural Resources Conservation Service		
Ram Venkatesan	North Kern Water Storage District		
Dick Diamond	North Kern Water Storage District		
Brian Hockett	North West Kern RCD	X	
Frank Ohnesorgen	Pond UESD	X	
Rick Iger	Provost and Pritchard		
Bethany Soto	Regional Water Quality Control Board		
Maria Herrera	Self-Help Enterprises	X	
Jessi Snyder	Self-Help Enterprises		
Dave Warner	Self-Help Enterprises		
Isela Medina	Semitropic Water Storage District	X	
Craig Wallace	Semitropic Water Storage District	Ø	
Maria Bernardo	Semitropic Water Storage District	Ø	
Dana Munn	Shafter-Wasco Irrigation District	X	
Roland Gross	Southern San Joaquin Municipal Water District	A	
Carole Combs	Tulare Basin Wildlife Partners		
Sarah Campe	Tulare Basin Wildlife Partners		
Niki Woodard	Tulare Basin Wildlife Partners		
Katie Young	Vollmor Natural Lands Consulting		
Guests	Organization		
AbrgailSolis	Self Help Enterprises		

Regional Management Group Voting Members are in Bold