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Wednesday, August 21, 2024 @ 9:00 am

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MEETING MINUTES

1. Welcome / Introductions:

2. Facilitator Information

Sonia Delgado, City of Patterson

3. Minutes – Approval for July 2024 Meeting

- **Kathy Grant (City of Lodi) – 1st Motion to approve**
- **Dagmara Saini (City of Stockton) – 2nd Motion to approve**

4. NPDES Phase II Permit Update (NPDES Permit Order WQ 2013-001-DWQ)

Group have discussion regarding the new permit DRAFT and its changes. Some partners have attended these workshops and City of Lathrop, per Greg Gibson, are working on a collaboration for a Comment Letter for the Delta RMP monitoring program. Greg provided a summary of what he knows. Amber did say that there have been significant changes to the Industrial General Permit with regards to having municipalities conduct the industrial inspections. The State will require the municipality to complete these. Amber did suggest that everyone look at the permit draft and submit comments as this is huge.

Per Dagmara, her agency does focus on industrial inspections. Phase 2 permittees are only required once every 5 years. Per Kathy Grant, she mentioned that the schools would not be included in the new Phase 2 permit. However, State Parks and other agencies will be added into the new permit. Schools are on hold for this permit. Kathy suggested for everyone to submit comments to include language to incorporate schools. Refer to the CASQA information available to submit comments. Comments are due tomorrow. There has been a lot of comments were submitted regarding the Trash Amendment / requirements. Lots of comments from Engineers.

Heather asked if the new Lathrop High school, River Island, if they are required to go into compliance with the stormwater regulations. Per Greg, a lot of the projects were approved before 2003, so they were grandfathered into the existing permit. This language is missing from the new permit, and this is a grey area as they are not directly charging into the river or waters of the US. Kathy recommended going to the CASQA website to look for all comments submitted by the workgroups.

5. SJVSWQP Partnership for Public Outreach/Education

- a. Radio Ad Campaign (% Share based on new MOU)
- b. Billboards
- c. Community Based Social Marketing (Regional)
- d. Rain Ready Campaign (CASQA) – “Protecting our Water.”
- e. SJVSWQP Website



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Per Kathy Grant, they are pushing the CBSM (Community Base Social Marketing), which will be required and is very expensive. \$100-\$200K to involve a consultant to help with this requirement.

Sonia brought up the Radio Ad that has not been doing for a while. The permit does call out for more rigorous efforts. Coastal Cleanup is coming soon. CASQA is pushing the "Rain Ready" campaign. They are focused on protecting rainwater. Caleb did mention that Compliance First is available to provide a wide range of stormwater program trainings.

Sonia did mention that the City of Patterson has utilized Compliance First to provide training in many areas. Radio Ads are run in June/July time to cover two reporting years. Partnership has hired the Radio Broadcasting company, and the cost is very reasonable - \$500 per agency and ad is ran for a month. Dagmara did remind us that the new MOU / Cost Share Agreement that was set up has a different cost share formula established. Not all agencies have returned the signed agreements to Heather at City of Tracy. Heather will send the list of who has not returned them. Only Lathrop, Stan County, Lodi, and Turlock have signed/returned this agreement.

Kathy suggested a sub-committee that would set up the Outreach/Education plan for this partnership group. Kathy (Lodi), Maricela (Tracy), Jonah (Lathrop), Dagmara (Stockton).

Sonia mentioned that the SJVSWQP website is still not finalized. Change in the company staff over time. Heather, Tasha, and Sonia meeting regularly to try and get this finalized. Goal is to have additional subpages on the website to include training videos and other permit elements so that we can all share with paying members. A meeting will be held with the new Management team to get an update.

6. Activities

2025 Regional Training Update:

No sub-committee meetings have been held to get this confirmed. Heather will set up a meeting as the Compliance First invoice for the 2024 training has not yet been paid. Begin planning for 2025 training. The money that is raised as part of this effort might be able to be used for Outreach.

7. Upcoming Municipal and Contractor Training

Sonia mentioned that the Regional Training satisfied the training requirements, but also agencies do their own in-house trainings. Sonia asked if we wanted to open the in-house trainings and invite the partners to these as an on-going effort. Caleb mentioned that hiring Compliance First to do some of these required trainings that partners can attend. Dagmara mentioned that they have trainings available for their staff via videos and questions. City of Patterson shared the training links that have YouTube videos that can be used by agencies to complete their in-house trainings. They are FREE.

Kathy Grant, City of Lodi, also has water shed videos that she uses with the schools. Kathy will add these items to discuss with the subcommittee. This information can be added into the partnership website that paying members can have access to. Further discussion in future meetings.



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8. Delta Regional Monitoring Program (RMP) Update (Sonia/Greg)

Greg and Sonia have been participating in the Delta RMP and provided a brief overview of what has been happening during this first year of their participation. The list of committees and information on budget, focus for the next five years that has been discussed is listed below. Many of the Phase 2 agencies in the partnership are paying into the Delta RMP monitoring program and sharing the information is important. Building partnership to share the laboratory data that can be used for the program. Vacancies are available. Visit the Delta RMP website.

Delta RMP has become a 501c Non-Profit organization and is currently under the Non-Profit rules and regulations. Working on the foundation documents and making sure they have it set up correctly. Greg and I are voicing the importance of ensuring all stakeholders are getting all the information regarding the monitoring information/data completed for the Delta and what they are paying for through their website and public outreach & education. Dagmara expressed that it is important as they pay \$60k per year for participation in this program. There is room for improvement in this area. Are the funds spent in the regional program meeting the water quality issues. It is not just meeting the requirements for monitoring/sampling. More outreach and education through presentations will be held with the stakeholders, including a presentation to this partnership.

a. Delta Steering Committee held August 2024

- Set Priorities & get Feedback from improving Program.
 - 5-Year Plan for monitoring & how far out? Focus on Pyrethroids, Pesticides, TMDLs, Nutrients, Mercury, and New MS4 Permit Reissuance
 - Build Partnerships to coordinate efforts, share data, and data management.
 - Raise Awareness of Delta water quality conditions & the impacts
 - Budget for Monitoring Priorities
 - Steering Committee Vacancies

b. Delta RMP Executive Committee Agenda held July 2024

- FY 24/25 Final Budget Updates

Table 1. FY 24-25 MJ Environmental budget, including supportive staff and subcontractors (MLML). Cost per task and summary of work by the following categories: planning, monitoring, data management, and deliverables.

Task	Task Amount	Planning	Monitoring	Data Management	Deliverables
1. General Administration	\$88,724	Yearly planning, communication between stakeholders		Droplet - File Sharing	Website, Annual Meeting Schedule
2. Collaboration	\$117,258	BOD meetings, EC meetings, SC meetings, RB Coordination			
3. Governance Documentation	\$4,660				Policies and Procedures
4. Resolution Requirements	\$57,326				Quarterly Report, Annual Report, Workplan
5. Pesticide/Toxicity Monitoring	\$147,160	TAC meetings	WY 24 Monitoring	WY 24 Data Review, Loading, and Verification; Deviations	WY 24 Data Report
6. CEC Monitoring	\$45,930	TAC meetings, Interpretive Report			
7. Nutrient Monitoring	\$66,078	TAC meetings, Study Design / QAPP Development	Biogeochemical Modeling		QAPP
8. Mercury Monitoring	\$67,640	TAC meetings, LT Planning			Interpretive Report and Factsheet
9. Data Management and Quality Assurance	\$18,590	DMAC meetings			QAPP Template (Updates)
10. Other Direct Costs	\$3,900				
Total	\$617,266				

- **Program Management Services & Scope of Work**
 - MLJ Environmental consultants
 - (1) Melissa Turner, Program Manager
 - (2) Jennifer Glenn, Program Administrator
 - Moss Landing Marine Laboratory (MLML)
 - (1) Subcontracted by MLJ for Programmatic Quality Assurance (QA) oversight & data verification.

9. New Business

a. Stormwater Program Funding

- Stormwater Utility Rates
 - City of Davis adopted in 2021.
 - City of Tracy - \$2/per customer on Bill
 - City of Stockton - \$2.10 per customer utility bill.
 - Cities utilize Sewer Fees, Assessments (BADs, CFDs)
 - Fee Study & Ordinance – Compliance with Prop 218 (property related fees shall not exceed the proportional cost of the service attributable to the parcel) – visit CASQA website for more information on this topic [Fee Study And Ordinance | California Stormwater Quality Association \(casqa.org\)](https://www.casqa.org)

Juan, City of Turlock, wanted to learn on how agencies fund the Stormwater Program. The Stormwater Utility Rate has been implemented in some of the Cities already and a fee charged on the utility bills. City of Stockton also has implemented them. Rates required a Prop 218 process (45-day noticing period, voting, and Public Hearing). Heather provided Stephanie's information to Juan so he can reach out and discuss the process for City of Tracy.

- 10. Next Meeting (Date: September 18, 2024, Location: TBD (San Joaquin County?))** City of San Joaquin does not have anyone to HOST the meeting for the month of September. Roy at the County is no longer with the County. Hether asked for a volunteer to host the upcoming meeting. Chris Boyer is the contact for San Joaquin County.

Other Items: (Dagmara)

- CASQA training on October 21-23, 2024, in Sacramento. Early bird registration is open and ends on September 9th. City of Stockton presenting on the Street Sweeping four-year study to comply with Trash Amendments (Track 2).
- Coastal Clean-up is on September 21st.
- Stockton will be putting red dye in the water to test for the HABS green algal blooms/growth in waterways.



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- Further information for the Delta RMP testing can be found on their website. The laboratory that does the testing is located on the agenda and is as follows:
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- Kathy Grant shared information on the City of Lodi's Stormwater Detective program. A video will be recorded, and workshop will be held in November 2024. Everyone can participate. Reach out to Kathy if you want further information on this item.

Meeting adjourned at 11:02 a.m.