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# **West Valley CAP Subcontractors**

# WEST VALLEY CAP SUBCONTRACTORS PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING

Summary of the August 18, 2014 Planning Committee Meeting held at Bureau of Reclamation, 6150 W Thunderbird Rd, Phoenix, AZ 85306. **Throughout this meeting summary, action items are in bold font.** 

## MEMBERS PRESENT

Jake Lenderking, EPCOR Water (Chair) Alan Dulaney, City of Peoria (Vice-Chair) Mark Holmes, City of Goodyear Angela Lucci, City of Surprise Christine Nunez, City of Surprise Frank Milam, City of Avondale Ron Whitler, City of Buckeye Miranda Bruner, Global Water

# **OTHERS PRESENT**

Mitch Haws, Reclamation Deborah Tosline, Reclamation Adam Ricks, Reclamation Debra Daniel, ADEQ Dee Fuerst, CAP Robin Stinnett, SRP Jeff Tannler, ADWR Teresa Makinen

## 1. <u>Call to Order</u>

The meeting was called to order at 1:33 pm.

# 2. <u>Approval of Minutes</u>

Angela Lucci moved to approve the meeting notes from the July 17, 2014 meeting. Mark Holmes seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

## 3. Presentation by ADEQ

Debra Daniel, ADEQ discussed the process for permitting high TDS waters for discharge. Because the potential of discharging into the Gila River in the future exists for West Valley municipalities, Debra wanted to let the members know what steps would be required.

# 4. <u>Executive Director's Report</u>

Teresa said that she intends to have the website loaded soon. Additionally, she is working on keeping things moving by keeping up with the various members and their tasks.

## Treasurer's Report

Jake distributed the treasurer's report and reviewed the dues received. He also said that last year ended with one additional member with a total of \$22,400 in dues received. The Management Committee recently voted to have Jake and Larry meet to discuss the dues and expenses, which they did and decided that the additional dues received last year would be used toward reimbursable expenses such as printing and miscellaneous event expenses.

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# 5. <u>WESTCAPS Administration</u>

#### **Enhanced Aquifer Management Process:**

Teresa stated that she had spoken with Jeff Tannler after the last meeting and Jeff advised her that if our input to the Enhanced Aquifer Management (EAM) process was significantly different than what was already provided, we should get that to him quickly. Jeff then provided an update on the EAM process, saying they are working through comments and working toward making a decision on what they'll support. The next EAM meeting is tentatively scheduled for September 17<sup>th</sup> and the intention is to give a status update and an idea of what they plan to move forward with. If there are any substantive comments that haven't been submitted yet, they will still be considered. The members decided not to send a second letter at this time since there isn't consensus among the members regarding the content of the letter and they'll wait to see what the next steps are to decide whether or not a letter is necessary in the future.

### 6. BOR Report

Mitch reviewed the list of technical team members for the Recharge Suitability Modeling and Teresa will be setting up a meeting in September.

The Groundwater Modeling Committee has met three times and Deborah is putting together a draft Statement of Work and is integrating the comments she's received to date. Once it is fully updated, she'll distribute it to the group for review. She reminded everyone that there will be some blanks in the document for information they are still gathering.

Mitch said he and Teresa are finalizing a cost share monitoring spreadsheet and that will be communicated soon.

Mitch suggested a Basin Study coordination call that would take place monthly with a face-to-face meeting to take place every three months. Teresa will schedule the monthly status calls once things get moving, and requested that everyone should at least have their lead for the various tasks on the calls since there is some overlap in the technical team members. Additionally, Mitch is having the Denver office create an actual schedule with critical path to identify how some tasks will impact others.

The Basin Study Kick Off Meeting is scheduled for September 9<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm.

Mitch and Teresa said they had a conference call with a reporter from the Arizona Republic regarding the Basin Study.

# 7. Strategic Plan Update

# Supply/Demand Team Update (formerly known as Purple Team):

Jake said they've looked at a few methods to better understand demand and need to ensure how they're doing it is accurate and are also approaching DWR for individual user and irrigation data. Christine is creating a letter for members to sign allowing DWR to create a water service area map which will show overlap. Teresa said that at the kick off meeting, they will let the stakeholders know what information is needed from them. If there is any particular information needed, let Teresa know.

# Advocacy Team Update (formerly known as Green Team):

Frank said they are still looking for feedback on the logo. Alan said that one of their tasks is to provide any legislative updates. He said there are two items that members may want to become familiar with: 1.) Changes to the Waters of the US rules and 2.) Forest Service Groundwater Management Initiative for forest lands. Alan will send a link with the information to Teresa for her to send out.

# Organizational Team (formerly known as Orange Team):

Angela said they met with Ron Doba who manages several different organizations regarding the different organizational structures. She distributed a handout identifying the steps to take to form a non-profit organization and they also updated the business structure matrix to include the pros and cons. At the next Planning Committee meeting, the members will discuss organizational structure to develop a recommendation for the Management Committee.

The group agreed to postpone the task of formalizing the strategic plan until after the first year's activities were completed to make it a more tactical plan

#### 8. New Business

Teresa said that Larry Dobrosky let her know that he believe the City of Tolleson is interested in membership, and Teresa asked everyone to think about that for us to discuss further at the next Planning Committee meeting.

## 6. Call to the Public

There were no comments from the public.

# 7. Next Meeting and Adjourn

The next planning committee meeting will be held at **the Bureau of Reclamation**, **6150 W Thunderbird Rd**, **Glendale**, **on September 11**<sup>th</sup> **at 1:00 pm**. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:02 pm.