Oil and Gas Meeting Participants:
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Next meeting August 18th 8:30 AM.

An org chart is attached for CV-SALTS and CVSC. In addition, below is a short explanation of the entities and their origins. Also attached is the active participation policy for CV-SALTS with references to the Regional Water Quality Control Board resolution as discussed on the call. The July meeting notes are also attached.

CV-SALTS and CVSC
CV-SALTS is an initiative to modernize the Regional Water Quality Control Board’s Basin Plans to allow both stakeholders (permittees) and regulators to better manage salt and nitrate to achieve short term drinking water and longer term beneficial use goals in the Central Valley. Central Valley Salinity Coalition (CVSC) is a 501 C (6) nonprofit corporation formed as the business entity for CV-SALTS and is funded by 30 members from all areas and industries from the Central Valley. The relationship between the entities is shown in the attached org chart and was documented in a 3 party MOA between CVSC, the Regional Water Board and State Water Board. The nonprofit purpose of CVSC is to fund the programs and manage the process of developing and implementing CV-SALTS. The members elect an inclusive board of directors (28) members, and 3 member executive committee (Chair, Secretary and Treasurer, with 18 or more members representing CVSC Stakeholders on the CV-SALTS Executive Committee. To date CVSC members have contributed nearly $7 million in dues support for CV-SALTS studies and projects matching the $6 million received in grant funds from the State Water Board. CVSC and CV-SALTS are developing final Basin Plan Language with the Regional Water Board Staff for Regional Board and State Board approval in 2018.

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CV SALTS INITIATIVE
ORGANIZATIONAL AND REPORTING CHART

CV SALTS EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
Initiative Leadership
Maximum of 30 members

- CVSC
  Chair + members
  Up to 18 members

- Committee Chairs
  Up to 6 members

- Federal, State Agencies and NGOs
  Up to 6 members

Committees
Members representing stakeholders (including State and Regional Board staff)

- Public Education and Outreach
- Technical
- Economic and Social Cost
- Funding
- Regional

Technical Subcommittees:
- BMP Assessment/Evaluation
- Others

Regional Subcommittees:
- Lower San Joaquin River
- Others
Active Participation in CV-SALTS

The participation of all significant stakeholders and geographies is critical to a responsive and robust salt and nitrate management planning process. Recently the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB) has asked the Central Valley Salinity Alternatives for Long Term Sustainability (CV-SALTS) and the Central Valley Salinity Coalition (CVSC) Chairs for help characterizing participation. Because both membership in CVSC and representation at meetings can take many forms it is difficult to write rigid rules to define participation. Because some permits and other documents require participation in a region-wide salt and nutrient management plant (SNMP) effort the CV-SALTS Executive Committee should provide guidance or factors, however final regulatory permit compliance is the purview of the RWQCB.

Coalition Membership
The CVSC was formed to provide a method for stakeholders to financially participate in CV-SALTS and be represented in an organized manner. CVSC believes that both financial and process representation are critical to participation and success of CV-SALTS.

The CVSC holds that membership in the CVSC has and should be considered a primary indicator of participation. We have documented the Members of CVSC in accordance with its bylaws. We maintain an accurate listing of members on our website at [http://cvsalinity.org/index.php/background/1-background/6-membership](http://cvsalinity.org/index.php/background/1-background/6-membership) or on a link directly from the home page. Some CVSC members collaborate by industry or among their membership and while individual members not listed on the CVSC membership roster they are represented and participating in the CVSC and CV-SALTS process through their association or industry group CVSC member. Should the Board have any questions about membership, or participation of a CVSC member, they should inquire of the Chairman or Executive Director of CVSC.

Non-Member Active Participation
If a stakeholder or the RWQCB wishes to verify active participation of entities who are not CVSC members, stakeholders or the RWQCB should request a letter of participation from the Executive Committee in writing or at a regular administrative meeting. The Executive Committee may provide a letter indicating active participation and should consider the following indicators of participation, but may include others as approved by the Executive Committee. The Executive Committee is not required to make a determination and may elect not to forward a letter to the RWQCB or stakeholder. If the Executive Committee intends to submit a letter it should do so within 60 days or on the timeline needed by the requestor, if possible. Regulatory standing or permit compliance determinations will be rendered by the RWQCB.

Participation Indicators the Executive Committee and RWQCB should consider

Attendance and Engagement
All committees of CV-SALTS track attendance at meetings and the rosters are provided on the website. Frequent attendance and engagement in committees and meetings can be an indicator of participation. Many parties such as dairy and wastewater treatment collaborate to provide industry representation at CV-SALTS activities and meetings. Additional engagement indicators would be participants who chair
committees, contribute significantly to subcommittee work, or make presentations to outside groups on CV-SALTS.

**In-Kind Contributions**
CV-SALTS should also consider in-kind contributions or other support to CV-SALTS as an indicator of participation and especially those who provide studies that are in the CV-SALTS Work Plan or work product that further the Work Plan studies, monitoring or material data approved by the Executive or Technical Committee or provides material technical or policy review support.
Convened: July 13, 2017 from 9:00 AM to 10:30 AM

Agenda

Item 1: Welcome & Introductions
  • Participants are as indicated above.

Item 2: Initial Purposes for the Committee
  Coordinate Oil and Gas issues related to CV-SALTS Participation
  Plan and Coordinate Oil and Gas and other Basin Plan Amendments for Designations
  Assist with common issues related to the above
  • Daniel Cozad presented the background issues driving the request to explore forming an Oil & Gas committee.
    o To address a number of questions that had arisen regarding needed basin plan amendments, (specifically dedesignations), and what constitutes “participation in CV-SALTS.” Discussion at the last Executive Committee proposed looking into the formation of the oil & gas committee.
    o A recommendation was made to change the name from “Oil and Gas.” Daniel advised the participants they could propose any name they wanted, and if they do choose to form a committee they will need to select a Chair/Co-Chair to help with organization and meeting facilitation.

Item 3: Basin Plan Amendments for Dedesignations
  Oil and Gas General Orders
  ILRP and other Dedesignations
  Priority and Staffing availability
  Coordination recommendations to CV-SALTS Executive Committee
  • Clay Rodgers provided a summary of the Oil and Gas General Orders and Dedesignation processes, and the importance of streamlining, and coordination with CV-SALTS, and using the CVRWCB planning staff as efficiently as possible.
    o Two dedesignation examples, that could be used as dedesignation templates, were noted:
      ▪ The Tulare Lake Basin Plan Amendment and
      ▪ The Evaluation of MUN in Ag-Dominated Water Bodies
    o In response to a question regarding the “cost” of the Tulare amendment, (estimated at 350k), Daniel stressed that it was important to talk about “value” not just monetary costs.

Item 4: CV-SALTS Participation and Costs for CVSC Membership
  Voluntary participation
  Representation
  CVSC membership
  Costs of Programs
    General
    Archetypes and general benefit
Specific benefit projects

- Daniel outlined for the group the various levels and types of participation and representation.
  - If a committee is formed, it would report up to the Executive Committee in the same manner as the Technical Advisory Committee and the Public Education and Outreach Committee.
  - A PowerPoint presentation is available that includes a CV-SALTS organizational chart. Daniel will distribute this with the Active Participation information.
  - The revised Exceptions Policy and the Dixon Permit were noted as demonstrated CV-SALTS outcomes. Basin Plan Amendment approval is anticipated for early 2018.

Item 5: Recap Next Steps
  Committee future
  Membership
  Meeting next steps

- Meeting participants agreed that there was sufficient interest to move forward with formation of a committee, and a second call was scheduled for Friday, August 18th from 8:30 – 9:30.

Item 6: Set Next Meeting, if Appropriate

- Friday, August 18th @ 8:30.

Item 7: Adjourn