

**Meeting Notes
CV SALTS
Executive Committee
August 19, 2009**

Attendees: See [Committee Roster](#).

1. Welcome, Introductions, Agenda Review, Consent Calendar

a. Review and Approve July [Executive Committee Meeting Notes](#)

After a motion by Neenan and a second by Quinn, the July meeting notes were approved without dissent.

b. Review and Update Committee Membership Roster for Accuracy

Chair Shulman passed around the roster and asked the attendees to ensure their names were present and correctly listed as member or participant. Mona clarified that “members” can vote while “participants” cannot.

c. Consent Calendar Items – New Programs Presented Tech Comm.

The regional Board did not make the presentations and so no report was provided for this item.

2. Coordinating Process and Program Matrix

The [Coordinating Process](#) drew no new comments and was recommended for approval. Upon motion by Larson and second by Willett, the coordinating process was approved without dissent. Cozad presented [the Matrix](#) that contains the data for coordination and indicated the technical committee had volunteers to help complete the matrix. Quinn commented on how a sort/filter capability is needed within the Matrix when the columns are filled in. The committee will get updates on the Matrix with the expectation it will be complete before the end of the calendar year.

3. MOA Document Comments – SWRCB

Chair Shulman introduced the [MOA Document](#) and Darren Polhemus replied that he has question responses coming from his legal counsel on the fundraising section, as well as on a couple other sections. **He reported he should have the comments ready by next week.** Some confusion was created because the agenda link was to an older version of the document. Cozad stated the version he send to the State Board was the latest (Version 5). **Cozad will make sure the correct version is the only one available online. Cozad will incorporate the comments/changes from Darren for review in the September meeting.**

4. CVSC Progress Evaluation Criteria – Status and Accomplishments

Several items were deferred until after the September 3rd training which delays the items. A separate calendar for the public CEQA scoping meetings will be developed as well as other public meetings the Education and Outreach Committee recommends. CVSC added two new members to the coalition last month: the Wine Institute and the City of Stockton. Member contributions are coming slowly but steadily. In response to a question about the goal to have a comprehensive funding and budget plan, it was agreed that the budget plan approved in June is, indeed, sufficient (“comprehensive enough”). Rudy made the point that basin planning via one two-hour meeting per month is not enough. He would like to have a technical lead/project manager working on CV-SALTS full time. Cozad said that a “project manager” was in the budget but may not have been full time.

5. Membership and Fundraising

Following last month’s meeting on fundraising efforts highlighted the need for additional contributing members. More members are needed from northern California, above Sacramento as well as the Tulare Basin. It was agreed in this meeting that the committee needs “modular” marketing tools, with different pieces targeted to different needs. **The PEOC will have something for the committee to look at by the next meeting. Quinn volunteered to help with grant research.** The near-term goal (within the next 12 months) is to match the \$1.2 million that the Regional Board has received from the Cleanup and abatement Account.

Cozad indicated that the Regional Board wants to know who does not want to participate as well, in case information is needed from them and their area. Committee members indicate that the committee needs to come up with how to prioritize projects, based on funding and time frames; what contributors get out of their membership; and, understand how the Regional Board will enforce the rules and regulations. It was also suggested that CV-SALTS could offer help to organizations who become members. Cozad asked everyone to let him know if anyone is missing from the [CV-SALTS Organization list](#), and to share if their industries are planning to do something else related to salt, nitrates, etc. In response to a question Cozad Clarified that CV-SALTS is currently a 501(c) 6 member association, not a 501 (c) 3 charity.

6. Reports and Recommended Actions from Economic, Social Cost, and Technical Committees

First the letter to Pam Buford regarding groundwater strategy and process was discussed. Several committee changes were reviewed and Quinn will incorporate the changes and forward it to Daniel, who will forward to the Executive Committee for review in time for September’s meeting. Quinn summarized the update presentation on the Salt and Nitrate pilot study, as well

Hoffman report/presentation. There was an open-ended “call for data” for anything that may be missing for the salt/nitrate pilot study.

Cozad reviewed the DRAFT version 4 of the Leadership Meeting agenda, available online, as well as the work being done on the list of invitees for the meeting. Cozad requested attendees let him know if someone who should be invited isn't on the list. Someone suggested sending invitations to all those whom CV-SALTS is asking for funding. Creedon asked Cozad to include time in the Leadership Group Meeting agenda for her to share CV-SALTS' progress as compared to goals.

7. Introduction of Coordination Programs for Future Approval/Policy

a. Intro Groundwater Strategy for CV, Questions Response

The draft question response was discussed and the edits made by the TAC. It was agreed that the letter would be edited as indicated and circulated for further review and approval at the September Meeting. Because of the importance of groundwater to CV-SALTS Creedon volunteered Pam Buford to come for a workshop with CV-SALTS on September 16th to discuss the groundwater strategy. Cozad will forward the information sheet to participants along with information on the workshops.

b. Recommendations for Development of Project Review Guideline

At the last Executive Committee the suggestion was made that the criteria and ranking guide for approving projects need to be developed. Cozad asked for some time to develop this work and asked if criteria for projects funded and performed by others need to be as rigorous as those for approving projects funded and performed by CV-SALTS. Several stakeholders commented and indicated discussion ensued on the importance of spending funding efficiently and well. The criteria will be developed for review in spring 2010 and for the interim, the guideline will be used.

8. 6-Month Agenda Planning and 2009 Calendar

- Basin Plan Training September 3rd
- Committee Meeting September 16th
- Leadership Group Meeting September 24

Cozad received a request to move the October meeting to the 29th and asked if anyone knew off-hand of any conflicts. No one had any and the October meeting will be moved to the 29th.