

CV-SALTS Executive Committee Meeting - Summary Action Notes

For January 15, 2016 – 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM

Attendees are listed on the Membership Roster

AGENDA

1) Welcome and Introductions

- a) Executive Committee Chair Parry Klassen brought the meeting to order, and roll call was completed.
- b) Approval of the November Meeting notes was deferred until the February meeting.

2) Principles to Govern Development of a Drought Policy within the SNMP

3) Principles to Govern Development of a Drought Policy within the SNMP – Continuation of the morning discussion

- During the morning session the committee discussed the “Background,” and “Regulatory Issues” sections of the principles document, and “Table 10: LSJR Reach 83 EC Objectives and Performance Goal for Seasonal Water Year Considerations.”. Some of the feedback offered on the draft:
 - Important to look at the dynamics of drought and the impact specific to nitrates.
 - Policy needs to be developed in coordination with other existing programs.
 - Not everyone has recycling, too narrow to focus on recycled water.
 - Don’t include organics.
- The committee began the afternoon session with a discussion of Appendix D from the LSJR Committee’s Task #4 Implementation Planning document. The committee then discussed the “Recommendations” section of the Principles document:
 - LSJR Committee member described the development process for Appendix D as a guidance document for the permit writer.
 - Pamela Creedon advised that it was essential that specific language to support the approach be incorporated into the basin plan.
 - Groundwater recharge is not a beneficial use of groundwater.
 - Remain agnostic in the basin plan, but clarify the issue in the SNMP.
 - Item #14 – “mandatory conservation measures” – rewrite so does not imply a required demonstration.
 - Item #15 – Structure such that it’s clear that by granting an exception you are not unregulated. Consider using a more narrative approach.
 - Include some guidance as to how the numbers are developed for a drought period.
 - Develop a consistent policy for how EC vs. TDS is used in the SNMP.
 - Use a mass-based limit as an alternative during periods of drought.
 - Where assimilative capacity is available, find ways to make it easier to provide for an automatic allocation under drought conditions.
 - How do the proposed options apply to AGR, Dairy where you don’t have effluent limits?

4) Set next meeting dates: 2015/2016

- The committee decided the June Board Workshop would be Wednesday, June 22nd at 10:00 AM.
- The next Admin Meeting will be February 12th. February Policy Meetings will take place on Wednesday (2/14) and Thursday (2/25).