

CV-SALTS Executive Committee Meeting Notes

Friday, February 12, 2016 – 1:00 to 2:30 PM

TELECONFERENCE ONLY

Attendees are listed on the Membership Roster

AGENDA

1) Welcome/Introductions – Consent Calendar

- The meeting was brought to order by Committee Vice Chair, Debbie Webster.
 - a) Roll call was completed.
 - b) David Cory moved, and Roger Reynolds seconded, and by general acclamation the December 4th meeting action notes were approved.

2) Nitrate Implementation Measures Study and Surveillance and Monitoring Plan – Contract Extension

- After discussion, Nigel Quinn moved, and Mike Nordstrom seconded, and the committee voted to approve the no-cost time extensions with revised completion schedule for the NIMS and SAMP, and requested the San Joaquin Valley Drainage Authority extend the contracts with CDM Smith to May 31, 2016.

3) AID Management Zone Archetype Stakeholder Requested Changes

- The committee elected to address this issue in two parts:
 - After discussion, David Cory moved, and Nigel Quinn seconded, and the committee voted to approve the LWA Scope of Work and Budget for the modification of the AID Archetype Report to accommodate stakeholder requests, for a total amount not to exceed \$11,060.
 - After further discussion, David Cory moved, and Mike Nordstrom seconded, and the committee voted to ratify the staff and CVSC actions taken regarding the Extreme No Ag Management Scenario, and adjustment of the AID report information on modeling done outside of the AID Management Zone area.

4) Procurement/Master Contract Status

- Per Pam Buford there was no significant update to report.

5) State Board Annual Report

- Daniel Cozad and Jeanne Chilcott provided an update to the committee on the presentation to the State Board.
 - Per Jeanne, Board members were specifically interested in
 - Timing: WHEN will we start seeing improvements?
 - HOW are the management zones going to work?
 - WHO are the land use planning agencies that CV-SALTS has engaged to ensure the process is a success?
 - Dee Dee D'Adamo has requested that CV-SALTS develop a two page briefing document (one for Salts and one for Nitrates) that can be used to explain CV-SALTS in layman's terms.

6) SNMP Policy Section Review

- Richard Meyerhoff provided a status update:
 - Main activity has been the Implementation Framework, is currently being revised after discussion at the January Executive Committee meeting.
 - The Management Zone policy, SMCL policy and AGR policy are still in work.
 - Management Zone policy will come out next as a draft.
 - SMCL will be in second draft form after that, followed by the AGR policy.
 - Tim is handling the Nitrate Permitting Strategy, which is planned to be the central focus of the 2/25 meeting.
 - The Drought and Offsets policies are still to be drafted. Tim will be incorporating comments received into the policy development.

7) Other CV-SALTS Project/Contract Updates

- **2016 Technical Project Schedule – Richard Meyerhoff**
 - Per previous request by committee chair, Richard Meyerhoff provided a written update for the technical project schedule.
- **Phase II Conceptual Model – Richard Meyerhoff**
 - Task 4 – Management Zone Archetype (Alta Irrigation District area)
 - Task 5 – Development of SNMP – Status of Section Development (per August 2014 Table of Contents):
 - Both Task 4 & 5 were covered in the written 2016 Technical Project Schedule.
- **Tulare Lake MUN – Richard Meyerhoff**
 - LWA is working on CEQA and Economics Analysis, draft anticipated in February..
- **SSALTS – Roger Reynolds**
 - This project is still on hold, pending completion of NIMS work.
- **Surveillance and Monitoring Plan – Roger Reynolds**
 - Per Richard Meyerhoff the first draft of SAMP is about 2/3 complete. SAMP is scheduled for discussion at the February meeting.
- **NIMS – Roger Reynolds**
 - CDM Smith sent initial draft report to Project Committee 1/29.
 - Project Committee conference call held 2/5. Joe LeClaire will prepare a written summary of comments received during that call and forward to Project Committee members. A second conference call is planned for later in February/March to address additional questions from Laurel Firestone.
 - Debbie Webster expressed the concern that the POTWs were very interested in what will be in the report and want to ensure sufficient time to review. Richard will forward a link to the current NIMS report to Debbie.
- **MUN POTW – Jeanne Chilcott**
 - MUN Evaluation Process in Ag-Dominated Water Bodies:
 - Staff has been working on the report. Jeanne is reviewing the implementation section now. CEQA and Economics Analysis planned for start next week.
 - Goal is to have it out for peer review before the June Board workshop.
 - The MUN POTW Evaluation Project is currently sitting on the desk at US EPA, with response anticipated by the end of the month.
- **LSJR Committee – Mike Johnson**
 - All technical work has been completed. The committee is in the process of developing a non-consensus document. Documents in support of final contract closeout are being prepared in conjunction with SJVDA.
 - Per Jeanne Chilcott, staff is pulling together the report sections that need to undergo scientific peer review, with the intent to get them into peer review before June. This project is also scheduled for discussion at the June Board Workshop.

8) Set next meeting objectives

- February Policy meetings are now scheduled for half day on **Wednesday, 2/24**, and full day on **Thursday, 2/25**. Richard, Daniel and Tim will work together to determine if 2/24 will be conducted as a webinar, and advise the committee of the final plan for that meeting.
- The next Admin Meeting will be March 11th.