

CV-SALTS Executive Committee Meeting - Summary Action Notes

For June 16, 2016 – 8:30 AM to 4:00 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 May meeting notes deferred to 7/21 meeting.
- c) Richard Meyerhoff presented the updated Technical Project Schedule.
 - o The following people were identified as potential participants on the CEQA/ECON Project Committee:
 - Tess Dunham, J.P. Cativiela, Casey Creamer, David Cory, Roger Reynolds, Richard Meyerhoff, Daniel Cozad, Debbie Webster, Phoebe Seaton, Debi Ores

2) Consider Approval of CV-SALTS Comment Letters

- Daniel Cozad asked the committee to approve the DAC Water Rights Fees Reduction Comment Letter. After discussion Debbie Webster moved, and Parry Klassen seconded, and the committee voted to approve the letter with edits as submitted by the committee. There was one abstention: Michael Mosley.

3) Organize Workshop Presentations

4) Continue Morning Discussion and/or Tie Up Loose Ends

- Richard Meyerhoff and Jeanne Chilcott presented a framework and key issues for the presentation at the June 22nd CV-SALTS Workshop. Some of the input offered by committee members for the presentation:
 - o Jeanne stressed that it was important to discuss key issues with the board where there is non-consensus, as well as agreement.
 - o The concept of triggers is one which needs more committee discussion.
 - o A glossary of terms for Board members would be helpful.
 - o Make sure to be very clear what feedback is received from the Board.
 - o If presenters have an area where they want feedback, let the Board know ahead of time. Helps to have something in writing ahead of time.
- Comments and recommendations for on specific Draft Central Valley SNMP Policies:
 - o Management Zone
 - Permitting and allocation of assimilative capacity
 - Incentive to participate in management zone? Not to require when not necessary.
 - Coordination with SGMA and CV-SALTS.
 - How to draw boundaries. Overlap of boundaries.
 - What represents ultimate compliance?
 - Importance of flexibility in developing a program to be used Region-wide.
 - Issues of roles and responsibilities in the zone.
 - Governance and oversight.
 - Incentive to participate has to be clearer, must be more than dischargers.
 - Use AID Archetype to highlight “lessons learned.”

- Exceptions
 - Need to explain what an exception is, and list conditions for obtaining one.
 - Discuss key changes: removing sunset provision and expanding to include nitrate.
- Offsets
 - Note that all of these, (exceptions, offsets etc.) are adding to the toolbox under the umbrella of an ACP.
 - Clarify if groundwater or surface water.
 - Proscribe what offsets can be used for, e.g. no cross-pollutant trading, same basin etc.
 - Problem statement needs revision.
- SMCLs
 - Problem statement should reflect that current issue is dischargers can't comply.
 - Start discussion with background of what is in basin plan now, then outline the problem
- AGR Ben Use Protection
 - Include reference to work done by LSJRC on determining the most sensitive crop.
 - Make a clear demarcation on all slides of salts vs. nitrates
 - Need a broader discussion on how proposed AGR classes are implemented.
 - In response to the concern voiced by Jeanne Chilcott regarding how to frame the salinity discussion for the board, an additional policy meeting was scheduled for 8/1 to discuss AGR salinity management strategy.
- Drought
 - Policy must cover all salts.
- Committee members identified as potential panel participants on 6/22:
David Cory, Tim Moore, J.P. Cativiela, Mike Nordstrom, Laurel Firestone, Debbie Webster
Other potential attendees: Bruce Houdesheldt, Elaine Archibald, Christine Zimmerman, Tim Johnson

5) Review Meeting Schedule/Location: 2016

- June 22nd will be the CV-SALTS workshop at the Regional Board office in Rancho Cordova.
- Next Admin Meeting is 7/8
- CANCELLED: July Policy Meeting on 7/21
- NEW MEETING: August 1st @ Sac Regional for AGR Salinity