



**Regulatory Workgroup  
Meeting No. 2**

**April 18, 2012 ○ 10:30 am-12:30 pm  
City of Oceanside San Luis Rey Water Reclamation Plant  
3950 North River Road, Oceanside**

**Draft Notes**

*Action items in italics*

**Attendees:**

Henry Abarbanel, San Diego Regional Water Quality Control Board	Bruce Posthumus, San Diego Regional Water Quality Control Board
Leslie Dobalian, San Diego County Water Authority	Travis Pritchard, San Diego Coastkeeper
Jeremy Haas, San Diego Regional Water Quality Control Board	Toby Roy, San Diego County Water Authority
Jeremy Jungreis, US Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton	Arne Sandvik, Padre Dam Municipal Water District
Ruth Kolb, City of San Diego	Todd Snyder, County of San Diego
Mo Lahsaie, City of Oceanside	Iovanka Todt, Floodplain Management Association
Scott McClelland, Sweetwater Authority	
Crystal Najera, City of Encinitas	Catherine Tyrrell, RMC Water and Environment
Kimberly O’Connell, University of California San Diego	Michael Welch, Consultant Team
Jeff Pasek, City of San Diego	Lewis Michaelson, Katz & Associates

**1. Welcome and Introductions**

Michael Welch welcomed the group, who did self-introductions.

**2. Chair Reports**

Work Group Chair I. Todt welcomed the group members and provided several brief reports. She noted that the IRWM update effort was kicked-off by a well-attended February 27, 2012 IRWM Summit. The Chair welcomed Regional Board member Dr. Henry Abarbanel to the Work Group.

Per work group recommendations presented at Meeting No. 1, the Chair noted that a concerted effort had been made to invite and encourage participation of NGOs in the Work Group, and the Chair expressed appreciation for the participation of Travis Pritchard (Coastkeeper) in the Work Group. The Chair also noted that revised Work Group organization and decision making rules were distributed via email to Work Group members, along with a summary of Work Group Meeting No. 1.

### **3. Meeting No. 2 Objectives**

Work Group Facilitator Lewis Michaelson reviewed the goals of Meeting No. 2, which include:

- brainstorming areas of potential collaboration between the Regional Board and the San Diego IRWM Program,
- identifying high priority areas for potential collaboration, and
- identifying potential processes and/or approaches for IRWM and Regional Board collaboration to address areas of mutual interest.

### **4. Setting the Stage: Potential IRWM/Regional Board**

M. Welch noted that the Regional Board Executive Officer identified a potential "blueprint" of IRWM/Regional Board collaborative opportunities in summarizing regional priorities to the IRWM Regional Advisory Committee (RAC) in 2010. Key Regional Board priorities included:

- Update the Basin Plan
- Establish biological objectives
- Performance-based stream assessments
- Revise objectives for imported water reservoirs
- Support indirect potable reuse
- 303(d) and TMDL prioritization
- 303(d) delisting process
- Data management
- Emphasize stakeholder collaboration/input

J. Haas of the Regional Board staff confirmed these priorities, and noted the following "priority themes" that would be of greatest interest to Regional Board staff, including: innovative restoration, the health of ground and surface waters, sustainable local water supplies, effective monitoring and data management, effective communication and stakeholder input.

To support discussion of these themes, M. Welch noted that handouts had been provided to the Work Group that identified current Basin Plan Triennial Review priorities, 303(d) listings, and TMDL priorities/scheduling. M. Welch also noted that additional issues regional stakeholders had identified, in part, included brine management, salt and nutrient management planning, and wet weather discharge policies for point and non-point sources.

## **5. Group Discussion: Potential Collaboration Opportunities**

Work Group Facilitator Lewis Michaelson led the group in an exercise to identify potential areas of collaboration between the Regional Board and the San Diego IRWM Program. The technical team was directed to summarize work group comments on key regional issues and potential IRWM/Regional Board collaboration opportunities. Table 1 summarizes implementation ideas discussed in the brainstorming session, supplemented with implementation suggestions provided by the technical team. As summarized in Table 1, Work Group ideas on potential IRWM/Regional Board collaboration focused on:

- effective communication/stakeholder input
- update or modification of Basin Plan objectives and policies
- 303(d) listings/TMDLs
- mitigation/restoration
- data management

Key priorities identified during the session included (1) the need to identify overlaps between Regional Board and IRWM goals and priorities, and (2) the need to identify potential areas of conflict between the IRWM priorities and Regional Board priorities and objectives. The technical team noted that a section within the proposed White Paper will focus on identifying and discussing overlapping or conflicting IRWM and Regional Board priorities.

At the end of the discussion, the Work Group directed the technical team to (1) organize and summarize the discussion points and brainstorm ideas, and (2) distribute the list of collaborative ideas to the Work Group in advance of the next meeting. The Work Group also indicated that the focus of the next Work Group meeting (Meeting No. 3) should be directed toward refining the list of collaboration opportunities, identifying opportunities that are of highest priority, and identifying potential approaches for implementing the collaborative opportunities.

## **6. Development of White Paper**

M. Welch noted that the preliminary White Paper outline would be revised in accordance with Work Group input received to date, and that work on the introductory sections of the White Paper will commence that outlines the IRWM update effort, Regional Board priority themes, and the stakeholder-driven Work Group process for identifying potential collaborative opportunities.

## **7. Summary and Action Items**

The Work Group Chair and L. Michaelson summarized the general areas of discussion during the Work Group meeting. The following items were identified that require follow-up action:

- The technical team will coordinate with the Work Group Chair and Vice-Chair to finalize a location for Meeting No. 3.
- The technical team will coordinate with the Work Group Chair, Vice-Chair, and facilitator to develop the agenda and handout material for the May 29, 2012 Work

Group meeting (Meeting No. 3). Agendas and support materials will be distributed one week before the meeting date.

- The technical team will coordinate with the Work Group Chair and Vice-Chair to finalize proposed areas of focus for remaining Work Group meetings, and integrate the White Paper development schedule into the Work Group meeting schedule.
- The technical team will develop a summary of Work Group Meeting No. 2 and distribute the summary to the Work Group members. As part of this, the technical team will summarize and organize brainstorm ideas discussed at the April 18 meeting and distribute the collaborative ideas to the Work Group for review and further discussion at the May 29, 2012 meeting.

The Work Group Chair reviewed the tentative Work Group meeting schedule, which includes the following additional meetings:

Meeting	Date	Time	Location
#3	Tuesday, May 29, 2012	10 am - noon	San Diego County Water Authority
#4	Tuesday, July 24, 2012	10 am - noon	To be determined
#5	Aug-Sep (as required)		To be determined

It was also noted that a fifth Work Group meeting (Meeting No. 5) may be warranted, with this fifth meeting focusing on reviewing and commenting on a draft version of the White Paper.