San Diego Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) Program
Regional Advisory Committee (RAC) Member Application

The RAC was originally formed in December 2006 to assist the RWMG with completion of the San Diego IRWM Plan and prioritization of projects for a Proposition 50 funding application. The IRWM Plan was completed in 2007, and the San Diego Region was successfully awarded approximately $25 million under Proposition 50 and $9 million under Proposition 84. While the original purpose of the RAC has been fulfilled, the RAC continues to serve as an advisory body providing recommendations to the RWMG on key issues related to IRWM planning and funding applications.

Thank you for your interest in serving on the RAC. Having an involved and dedicated RAC is vital to San Diego’s successful ongoing IRWM planning efforts. RAC meetings are held bi-monthly and are posted for the entire calendar year at www.sdirwmp.org.

The following are desired attributes for RAC members and their alternates:

1. Have knowledge and experience in water resources management.
2. Represents an agency, non-profit organization, tribe, or academia.
3. Have the ability and desire to objectively articulate the perspective of his/her RAC seat and caucus at a level beyond that within his/her individual organization.
4. Provide recommendations with the best interests of the entire San Diego IRWM region in mind.

The following are general duties for which RAC members and their alternates are responsible:

1. Attend meetings consistently – only two absences are acceptable in a 12-month period.
2. Come prepared – review materials ahead of time and provide comments as appropriate.
3. Be responsive to requests between meetings.
4. Act as a point of contact within his/her individual organization for collection and dissemination of information related to the IRWM Program.
5. Disseminate information about the IRWM Program to his/her contacts, as appropriate.
6. Designate an alternate to attend and participate in RAC meetings in his/her absence.
7. Recuse his/her self from discussion and voting if he/she has a personal interest or stake in the outcome.

In relation to criterion 3 listed above, RAC members are grouped into seven caucuses, each of which has specific seats that are outlined in Attachment A.

The RAC has a formal charter (see www.sdirwmp.org) which contains a robust set of rules and guiding principles established for the RAC. Please review the RAC Charter before submitting your application to ensure that you are able and willing to serve on the RAC and follow the guidelines and rules established in the RAC Charter.

If you have any questions about the San Diego IRWM Program or the RAC, please contact the San Diego IRWM Program Manager Mark Stadler (mstadler@sdcwa.org, (858) 522-6735).
Please return this form to Mark Stadler (mstadler@sdcwa.org) by December 31, 2012. Selected RAC members will be notified by January 18, 2013; their first RAC meeting will be February 6, 2013.

Name:__________________________________________________________________________
Organization:__________________________________________________________________________
Email: _________________________________________ Phone Number:__________________________

Please indicate which specific seat within the RAC you are applying for (refer to Attachment A for detailed descriptions).
1st Choice:__________________________________________________________________________
  Caucus                                                                                      Seat
2nd Choice:__________________________________________________________________________
  Caucus                                                                                      Seat

Please indicate if you meet the eligibility criteria:

□ Represents an agency, non-profit organization, tribe, or academia.

Describe your knowledge and experience related to water management, including participation in the IRWM Program or other water resource policy, planning, outreach, or implementation efforts:
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Describe how your experience and knowledge allows you to:
  1. Have the ability and desire to objectively articulate the perspective of your RAC seat and caucus at a level beyond that within your individual organization.
  2. Provide recommendations with the best interests of the entire San Diego IRWM region in mind.
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Describe how your position within your organization allows you to:
  1. Act as a point of contact within your individual organization for collection and dissemination of information related to the IRWM Program.
  2. Disseminate information about the IRWM Program to your contacts, as appropriate.
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Attachment A

RAC Member Composition

Regional Water Management Group (3)
  1. City of San Diego
  2. County of San Diego
  3. San Diego County Water Authority

Water Supply (5)
Agencies and entities tasked with supplying water to homes, businesses, and agriculture
  1. Retail (North County- Inland)
  2. Retail (North County- Coastal)
  3. Retail (East County)
  4. Retail (South County)
  5. Retail (At Large)

Water Quality (6)
Agencies and entities tasked with managing storm runoff, both quantity and quality, in man-made conveyances and/or collecting and disposing of wastewater, including water recycling
  1. Stormwater Management (North County)
  2. Stormwater Management (South/East County)
  3. Water Quality (NGO)
  4. Water Quality (NGO)
  5. Wastewater/Recycled Water (Metro JPA)
  6. Wastewater/Recycled Water (Non-Metro JPA)

Natural Resources and Watersheds (5)
Agencies and entities tasked with preserving, enhancing, and managing natural resources and watersheds
  1. Water Conservation (NGO)
  2. Protection and Restoration (NGO)
  3. Protection and Restoration (NGO)
  4. Recreation
  5. Coastal Ecosystems (Bays, Estuaries, Lagoons)

DAC/Environmental Justice (2)
Agencies and entities who represent disadvantaged communities and/or environmental justice concerns
  1. Urban DAC
  2. Rural DAC

Other Members (7)
Other agencies and entities with interest in and/or impact on water resource management
  1. Flood Management
  2. Business Community
  3. Agriculture
  4. Tribal (Southern California Tribal Chairs Association designee)
  5. Land Use Planning
  6. At Large*
  7. At Large*
* For At Large seats, consideration should be given but not limited to the following criteria: academia, climate change, energy/water nexus, solid waste/water nexus, sustainability.

Total voting members: 28

Non-Voting Members (6)
State, federal, and regional agencies who are interested parties
  1. Regional Water Quality Control Board (staff)
  2. U.S. Bureau of Reclamation
  3. Military Community
  4. Tri-County FACC (Upper Santa Margarita RWMG)
  5. Tri-County FACC (South Orange County RWMG)
  6. State Coastal Conservancy