

Lower San Gabriel and Los Angeles River Watershed

Greater Los Angeles Integrated Regional Water Management Plan

January 12, 2009, 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Central Basin Offices, Main Conference Room

Present:

Siya Araumi, LACFCD
 Sharon Gates, Long Beach
 Art Aguilar, Central Basin MWD
 John Biggs, Brown and Caldwell
 George De La O, LACFCD
 Scott Dellinger, Brown and Caldwell
 Jim Glancy, City of Lakewood

David Hill, Central Basin MWD
 Alex Kenefick, LASGRWC
 Paul Kuykendall, City of Lakewood
 Eric Leung, Long Beach Water Department
 Sarina Morales-Choak, City of Santa Fe Springs
 Sherwood Natushara, City of Vernon
 Bob Siemak, Water Replenishment District

Brian Smith, City of Bellflower
 Ted Spaseff, City of Santa Fe Springs
 Miriam Torres, EJCW
 Scott Warren, DTSC Groundwater Team
 Patricia Wood, Los Angeles County DPW
 Theresa Wu, Water Replenishment District
 Mary Zauner, Los Angeles County Sanitation District

Topic/Issue	Discussion	Action/ Follow up
1. Welcome, Introductions and Purpose	Art Aguilar opened the meeting at 9:20 am with Introductions	No Action
2. Membership of LSGLA Stakeholders Committee a. Designation of Alternates for Chair and Vice Chairs b. Environmental Justice Coalition for Water	No comments on membership on the LSGLA Steering Committee.	No Action
3. Review/Approve November 17, 2008 Steering Committee Meeting Notes	Meeting Minutes were distributed and approved without any changes.	Minutes approved.
4. Update on November 26, 2008 Leadership Committee Meeting	George De La O reviewed the notes from the November Leadership Committee Meeting: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gail Farber is the New Director of Los Angeles County Flood Control District • Diego Cadena, Mark Pestrella, Hector Bordas, and George De La O will continue to participate in the IRWMP process. • Siya Araumi will be taking over for Frank Kuo in the day-to-day operations for the 	No Action

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	<p>IRWM Program</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proposition 50 Grant <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Rochelle Paras is managing the grant program for LA County ○ California Department of Water Resources (DWR) has not approved the online invoicing system yet ○ DWR currently has a hold on grant payments ○ Quarterly reports for the 4th Quarter of 2008 are due. • DWR Workshops <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Summary handout distributed to Steering Committee ○ Funding allocation for expedited round could be at 1/9 of funding area Prop 84 allocation. ○ DWR trying to establish a competitive framework. ○ Allocation within funding area is not established yet. • Proposition 1E <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Allocations for seismic retrofitting ○ Budget changes in Sacramento may have some effects. • Regional Ad Hoc Committees <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Leadership Committee is having discussions on the form and function of the committees ○ Working on a framework to address Regional Projects • Highlights "Lite" Document accepted by Leadership Committee • Consultant contract was extended through June 	
5. Review January 28, 2009 Leadership Committee Agenda	The Leadership Committee Agenda was distributed to the Steering Committee for review when it is finalized.	No Action
6. Watershed Coalition of Ventura County and Upper Santa Clara River Watershed Meeting	No update.	No Action
7. DAC Outreach Ad Hoc Committee (update of activities)	Alex Kenefick noted there were no updates from the DAC Outreach Ad Hoc Committee.	No Action
8. 2008 Consultant Activities a. Water Supply Gap Analysis	Scott Dellinger provided the following update on consultant activities: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consultant contract extended through June • Clarification on Water Supply Gap Analysis distributed to Steering Committee per request last meeting. 	No Action
9. Other Items	Rivers and Mountains Conservancy Due to state budget issues Tim Worley is on hiatus from RMC. There was discussion on who	RAP Comments should be sent to

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	<p>was eligible to serve as interim Vice-Chair in Tim's absence or if there was an alternate for Tim. Steering Committee decided Art should contact Tim and/or Belinda Faustinos of RMC to determine if there was an alternate to take Tim's place in the short term.</p> <p>Region Acceptance Process The following points were made in the discussion of the region acceptance process:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Any comments on the Draft RAP Guidelines should be sent to George De La O by 1/20/2009 • Regions go beyond just jurisdictional boundaries and form a contiguous geographic area • Narrative/story should describe region and provide supporting documentation • Interview consisting of question and answer as well as additional information, the number of parties involved will be determined at a later date. It is anticipated that the interviews will be conducted in Sacramento, requiring participants to travel to the interview. • There will be an opportunity for public comments on DWR's recommendations for accepted Regions • There will be an opportunity for clarifications and resubmission. • Need clarification on what are the critical questions to answer or if all the questions about the region need to be answered. <p>Gateway Cities Art reported there was no news from the Gateway Cities JPA since the last meeting.</p> <p>LSGLA Chair Alternate David Hill was approved as the Alternate for Art Aguilar.</p>	George De La O
10. Project Integration	<p>The project integration was opened with a discussion covering the following points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Follow up on November meeting looking at the active and inactive project list • Used November meeting to develop proponents list and group presenters for scheduling • Purpose of the Project Presentations is not to rank projects but to understand more about the projects in the Subregion. • Need to identify the criteria that will be used to select projects at the Leadership Committee Level: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ DWR Criteria ○ Matching Funds ○ Funding Share ○ Readiness • Look for integration opportunities: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Lower San Gabriel Subregion 	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Groundwater Reliability Improvement Project • Los Angeles County Flood Control District <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Rio Hondo Spreading Ground Sediment Removal ○ Rio Hondo-San Gabriel Spreading Grounds inner-connection ○ Seawater Barrier Recycled Water Supply (Dominguez Gap and Alamitos Barrier) ○ LA River Linear Storage • City of Vernon <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Vernon Closed System ○ Vernon Production Well 21 	
11. Meeting Adjourn	Meeting Adjourned at 3:30 pm. Next Meetings: Lower SGLA Steering Committee Meeting: Central Basin Office, Monday, Monday, February 23, 2009, 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. LA IRWMP Leadership Committee: Los Angeles County Public Works, Wednesday, Wednesday, January 28, 2009, 9:30 am – 12:00 pm LA IRWMP Leadership Committee: Los Angeles County Public Works, Wednesday, Wednesday, February 25, 2009, 9:30 am – 12:00 pm	No Action.

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