



Date: January 12, 2010

9:30 AM – 12:00 PM

Location – San Juan Water District

MEETING MINUTES - Regional Water Efficiency Program Advisory Committee

Meeting called by:	RWEPAC Chair	Type of meeting:	Program Advisory Committee
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Call to Order at: 9:35 a.m.

Introduction

Attendees

Linda Higgins, Becky Cassidy, Chris Nelson, Rex Meurer, Joe Scherrer, Don Smith, Lisa Amaral, Julie Friedman, Sharon Fraser, Ellen Carlson, John Turner, John Wingerter, Keoki Spaeth, Harley Lukenbill, Gail Tauchus, Barbara Leatham, Vicki Sacksteder, Stephanie Crary, Traci Goularte, David Isaacson (Waterwise Consulting), Pauline Calvillo (USBR), Alan Driscoll (Forsgren Associates), Charlie Pike (Pike & Associates), Melanie Holton (Brown & Caldwell), Tom Noonan (EWING Irrigation), Monica Garcia

3.0 Minutes	
Approve prior minutes	Stephanie moved, with a second by Vicki, to approve the November 10, 2009 RWEPAC minutes.
Action Item Review	All action items were complete.

4.0 Announcements	
What's Hot	Two minute update from all members. The topic was how many full-time conservation staff and how many have Irrigation Audit Certification?

5.0 Chair's Report	
	Rex thanked everybody for voting for him and he looks forward to the coming year. Advised the meetings will stay on topic and will move forward in a timely basis.

6.0 Program Manager's Report

Grant Updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CalFed – Smart Irrigation Controllers update: There were only 5 interested agencies and 1 dropped out of the program. Installers and manufacturers are heavily marketing the program and Linda has received calls from customers of non-participating agencies. • Prop 50 – Drought Assistance – This grant is mainly for acceleration of programs. Each agency needs to sign an agreement with RWA, agreement with DWR is signed. Current focus is on Clothes Washer program. Any questions contact Linda or Rob. • Prop 50 – Toilet Rebates Budget Review – Linda and Rob will review the 2009 4th quarter rebates and notify agencies that are close to their allotted reimbursements.
SMUD Clothes Washer	<p>SMUD wants a 2 year MOU and a \$5.00 processing fee. The MOU was sent out for feedback.</p> <p>Prop 50 Drought Assistance grant includes \$6.00 processing fee that may be used for SMUD or PG&E.</p>
SRCSD Incentives	<p>Funds for this program are close to being exhausted. Linda and Rob are negotiating funds for next year.</p>
Water Forum Update	<p>Model Landscape Ordinance work team developed, however it has not met yet.</p>
CUWCC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strategic Plan Recommendation Letter – Lisa did not win the election. A letter has been drafted for Chris Brown to be sent out by the GMs by next Wednesday, recommending the following are evaluated: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Broader geographic representation ○ Curtailing the long tenures for agencies on the Board. • September 15 Plenary Committee – Vicki is the chair and current members are Julie, Sharon, Lisa and John Turner. If you are interested in participating in the planning of this event contact Vicki. • CUWCC BMP Reporting Database – the Mock-up database is complete and RFPs were sent out to database companies.
GM Coordinator Workshop	<p>Four committees were formed as a response to this meeting: AB1420, UWMP, Water shortage, Improved Outreach and education.</p> <p>These subcommittees will be the foundation for a 2 year Business Plan. The feedback was great. The facilitator did a great job and keeping everybody on track. It was interesting so many GMs did not know what we do.</p>
AB1420	<p>Meeting on January 19, 2010.</p>
7.0 Committee Reports	<p>There is open enrollment if you are interested in working on a committee. Contact the chair for more information.</p>

School Education	<p>Joe is the Chair</p> <p>The school education committee is working on the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> NIE Be Water Smart program Teacher workshops School presentation talking points Toolbox of resources
Public Outreach	<p>Stephanie is the Chair</p> <p>Currently working on launching the Public Outreach campaign on April 17, 2010. Next meeting is on Thursday, January 14, 2010 at RWA.</p> <p>Some of the campaign nuances are being revised and the campaign will work with our existing programs.</p>
Landscape	<p>Don is the Chair</p> <p>Green Gardener training program Fall 2009 session is over. Cheryl Buckwalter is the new coordinator for the next 3 sessions. Please promote the class and the participants.</p> <p>A new Site Water Management class will be scheduled in February.</p> <p>Sacramento Master Gardeners are hosting three workshops on water.</p>
CII	<p>Harley is the Chair</p> <p>Let Harley know what you need or expect form a CII committee.</p> <p>San Diego is hosting a CII workshop. We may be able to host one in Northern California.</p>

9.0 Old Business	
AWWA Conservation Practitioner II Training and Exam	The exam will be held on February 17 th -19 th or 23 rd -26 th . Linda will notify everybody as soon as a date is finalized.

10.0 Announcements	
CIMIS Calibration schedule	<p>January: Sacramento County</p> <p>February: Fair Oaks Water District</p>
California Irrigation Institute Conference	<p>February 1-2, 2010, Embassy Suites Sacramento Riverfront Promenade - www.caii.org</p>
Certified Landscape Irrigation Auditor Class and exam	<p>February 9-10, Davis http://www.ewingeducationalservices.com. There are still openings for the class, however the exam is full.</p> <p>An exam will be held on Feb 17 in Woodland by Rain Bird.</p> <p>West Sacramento will host a class and exam in May 2010.</p>

Adjourn at: 11:40 p.m.

Next meeting: February 9, 2010, Placer County Water Agency, 1444 Ferguson Road, Auburn CA 530-823-4880