

Minutes for Poso Creek IRWM Plan Implementation Meeting

Location: Semitropic Water Storage District's Office Meeting Date and Time: <u>Tuesday, April 7th</u>, 2015; 10:30 – 11:30 am

- 1. Call to Order and Roll Call
- 2. Agenda Modifications The Regional Water Management Group (RWMG) made two modifications to the agenda at the request of Erika Boyland, NRCS, and Sam Schaefer, GEI.
- 3. **Public Comment –** No Public comments were received.
- 4. **Introductions and Recognition of Guests** Paul Oshel led introductions of meeting attendees; several new attendees were present as noted on the Attendance Roster.
- 5. Acceptance of previous meeting Minutes The Jan 6th Meeting Minutes were recognized and accepted.
- 6. **Implementation Activity and Work Group Reports** The December Activity Report was reviewed and accepted with no additions.
 - a. Prop 84, IMP Rnd1 Closeout North Kern and Cawelo Ram Venkatesan, NKWSD provided the RWMG with an update. The Project Completion Report, (required under the DWR grant Agreement) will be filed in April and a request for retention for processing will be completed soon after. The Grant Completion Report, for the Poso Creek IRWM Prop 84, Rnd1 Imp Grant, will be prepared and filed with the DWR to close out the grant.
 - b. Revisit the cost sharing agreement for general IRWM activities The topic was addressed in the March public meeting so that all the RWMG members and interested parties would be available to participate in the discussion. A letter needs to be drafted and sent by the Poso Creek IRWM Chairman informing the parties of this decision by the RWMG to modify the cost sharing agreement and MOU.
 - c. Annual activity and projected budget for 2015 Paul Oshel obtained a vote in support of a general budget to include: 1) preparation of the Annual Report and Report Card for IRWM activity and accomplishments, 2) updating the Plan project list through a solicitation for new or revised projects, and 3) assisting with public meeting of the RWMG. The RWMG considered and approved a general activities budget of \$30K.
 - d. Schedule project submittals and active project updates Paul/Isela will send out a notice to all Poso Creek IRWM Entities for projects to be submitted. This timeline will allow the RWMG some time to consider new and updated projects prior to the next DWR IRWM funding round.

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- e. Madera Ave Intertie Dana Munn and Paul Oshel reported the update of the project and requested a decision to not support the development of the project unless it is modified to make use of existing, recently constructed conveyance routes. The RWMG voted to support modifying the project. Dana Munn was to communicate with Reclamation the suggestion to modify the project.
- f. DWR Technical Services Contract The RWMG discussed the support for LHUD being provided by DWR Technical Services Contractor and expressed support to DWR representative to support the LHUD well design.

7. Funding Opportunities

- <u>State:</u> DWR Prop 84, Rnd3, Prop 1 State Bond, and low interest loans/grants Alex V. updated the status as DWR is anticipating an accelerated schedule for Prop 84, Rnd3 funding.
- b. <u>Federal:</u> WaterSMART, CalFED, NRCS, and other. No new information was discussed.

8. Anticipated Action Items; additional items to be added at the meeting

- Revise the MOU and cost share equation communication letters to be sent out to the incorporated cities and districts by Paul Oshel.
- Prop 84, Rnd1 grant close-out completed by April/May, 2015.
- Project submittals and project updates completed prior to June, 2015.
- Madera Ave Intertie meeting with District sponsor and Reclamation to discuss status by June, 2015.
- Report Card / Annual Report preparation completion date by June, 2015.

9. <u>Suggested Date and Agenda Items for Next Regular Meeting</u>: Meeting date in May after ACWA.

10. Adjournment

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