



**SGVCOG Joint Water Policy Committee/TAC Meeting
Approved Minutes**

Date: September 10, 2019
Time: 10:00 AM
Location: Upper San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District
602 E. Huntington Drive, Suite B, Monrovia, CA

PRELIMINARY BUSINESS

1. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 10:07 A.M.
2. Roll Call

Water Policy Committee Members Present

J. Stark; Claremont
G. Boyer, J. Nelson; Glendora
G. Crudgington; Monrovia
M. Clark; Rosemead
J. Capoccia; Sierra Madre
D. Mahmud; South Pasadena
H. Nguyen; LA County District #1

Water Policy Committee Members Absent

Water TAC Members Present

J. Chavez; Alhambra
A. Tachiki; Monrovia
J. Carver; Pomona
R. Wang; LACPW
T. Love, P. Cortez; USGVMWD

Water TAC Members Absent

Arcadia
Bradbury
Covina
Duarte
Sierra Madre

Ex Officio Members Present

A. Jimenez; SG Watermaster

Ex Officio Members Absent

LACSD

Guests

R. Watson, Richard Watson & Associates, Inc
A. Desai, Larry Walker Associates

SGVCOG Staff

P. Hubler
N. Kaur
C. Sims

3. Public Comment.
No public comment was given.
4. Changes to Agenda Order.
The presentation on the Proposed Bacteria Scientific Study was moved to the beginning of the agenda in order to allow more time for all Committee Members to be present.

CONSENT CALENDAR

5. Water Committee/TAC Meeting Minutes

There was a motion to approve the consent calendar. (M/S: G. Crudgington/G Boyer). [MOTION PASSED]

AYES:	Claremont, Glendora, Monrovia, Rosemead, Sierra Madre, South Pasadena, LA County District #1, Alhambra, , Pomona, LACPW, USGVMWD
NOES:	
ABSTAIN:	
ABSENT:	Arcadia, Bradbury, Covina, Duarte

PRESENTATIONS

6. Proposed Bacteria Scientific Study — Richard Watson, Richard Watson & Associates, Inc. R. Watson presented on this item. He gave an overview of a proposed study that would explore the causes of bacteria that impact water quality and the bacteria TMDL that MS4 permittees must comply with. The study has been designed to. He noted that 16 out of 19 watershed areas have a bacteria TMDL and struggle to comply because of the lack of data on the causes of bacteria. He presented a draft scope of work that would explore the causes and the scientific study approach, draft study schedule, and cost estimate. He is working to build support for including the study in Watershed Area Stormwater Investment Plans for funding under the Regional Program component of the Safe, Clean Water Program. The Committee members asked additional questions on the proposed scope of work and the proposed approach for conducting the study.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

7. Water Committee Vice-Chair Nomination
There was a motion to elect Judy Nelson (Glendora) to serve as Vice-Chair of the Water Policy Committee. [who made the motion?]
8. Safe, Clean Water Program
D. Mahmud presented draft comments regarding the supplemental documents for the Safe Clean Water Program, including the Regional Oversight Operating Committee Guidelines, Scoring Committee Operating Guidelines, Watershed Area Scoring Committee Guidelines, Feasibility Study Guidelines, and the Credit Program Procedures and Guidelines, proposed for submittal to Los Angeles County. There was discussion on the guidelines, specifically around the proposed comment to appoint all members of the Committee to an initial two-year term (rather than the four-year term proposed in the Guidelines).

There was a motion to direct staff to submit the proposed comments, including the reduction of the initial term limit to 2 years for all Committee members. The motion died for lack of second.

There was a motion to direct staff to submit the proposed comments, removing the proposal to reduce the initial term limit for all Committee members to 2 years. (M/S: G. Crudgington/M. Clark).

[MOTION PASSED]

AYES:	Claremont, Glendora, Monrovia, Rosemead, Sierra Madre, South Pasadena, LA County District #1, Alhambra, , Pomona, LACPW, USGVMWD
NOES:	
ABSTAIN:	
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9. Prop 1 Storm Water Grant Program Guidelines
Staff was directed to collect comments on the guidelines before their submission on September 20, 2019. A follow-up email with additional information was scheduled to be sent which included details for a webinar regarding the topic.

UPDATE ITEMS

10. Legislative Updates
P. Hubler provided updates on a number of pieces of legislation. He briefly discussed the meeting with Congresswoman Napolitano regarding HR 1497. He also encouraged cities to send in letters of support of AB 1093 and letters of opposition for SB 205. R. Watson also commented on AB 1298, which would place a bond measure on the November 2020 ballot to finance climate resiliency, fire risk reduction, recycling, groundwater and drinking water supply, clean beaches, and jobs infrastructure projects. E/WMP Updates
A. Tachiki from the City of Monrovia provided an update on the Rio Hondo/Upper San Gabriel EWMP. The group is working on its feasibility studies and are determining whether they should form a joint powers agreement to facilitate future implementation.
11. Water TAC Chair Report
T. Love informed the Committee that the TAC has not met. He suggested a presentation topic for next month's meeting regarding PFAS.
12. Water Supply Update
T. Love reported that the regional water supply was higher than in the past due to runoff from the Colorado River. The San Gabriel Basin is working on an agreement to get surplus water for the Basin over the next five years. He also reported on a stormwater direct use pilot program from being proposed by the Metropolitan Water District (MWD) that would award \$5 million for stormwater direct reuse pilot projects. The program would be used as a data gathering mechanism to determine whether stormwater direct use is feasible for larger scale projects and thus should be considered for funding in the future. .
13. Water Boards Update
There was no update on this item.
14. Litigation Update
D. Mahmud informed the Committee that the court has 90 days from August 16, 2019, to determine the judgement and is widely expected that it will be appealed.

CHAIR'S REPORT ANNOUNCEMENTS

15. The Chair asked committee members to provide comments on the Proposition 1 Storm Water Grant Program Guidelines so that staff could submit comments by the deadline.

ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 12:07 PM.