

**SF Bay Area IRWMP Coordinating Committee Meeting Summary  
 May 20, 2019  
 Location: StopWaste, 1537 Webster Street, Oakland, CA**

**1. Roll Call – Appointed Functional Area Representatives Present**

<b>Water Supply- Water Quality</b>	<b>Wastewater- Recycled Water</b>	<b>Flood Protection- Stormwater</b>	<b>Watershed</b>	<b>Disadvantaged Communities</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Steve Ritchie, SFPUC, Chair</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cheryl Munoz, SFPUC representing BACWA (by phone)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Brian Mendenhall, Valley Water (by phone)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Josh Bradt, SFEP</li> <li>• Brenda Buxton, SCC (by phone)</li> <li>• Judy Kelly, NBWA</li> </ul>	

Others Present:

Taylor Chang, SFPUC  
 Maddie Duda, EJCW  
 Natasha Dunn, SFEP  
 Nahal Ghoghaie  
 Ryan Hirano, EJCW  
 James Muller, SFEP  
 Jennifer Krebs, representing Sonoma Water  
 Michelle Novotny, SFPUC  
 Alex Tavizon, CIEA

On the Phone:

Jessica Arm, DWR  
 Lisa Bankosh, SCVWD  
 Craig Cross, DWR  
 Maggie Dutton, CCWD  
 Adam French, Amah Matsun  
 Paul Gilbert-Snyder, EBMUD  
 Deja Gould, IPOC  
 Chris Lim, CCRCD  
 Claire Nordlie, EBMUD  
 Sherri Norris, CIEA  
 Kanyon Sayers, Association of Ramaytush Ohlone  
 Brianna Schaefer, Daily Acts

Britton Schwartz, EJCW  
Caitlin Sweeney, SFEP

## **2. Status on Prop 84 Rounds 1-4**

For Round 1, Josh Bradt reported he just got back DWR's corrections on the final invoice. He made the revisions and they have been accepted by DWR. Once the retention invoice is released and final report has been approved, the round will be closed out.

For Round 2, James Muller reported 85% of the grant has been spent. 2 projects have been 100% constructed, Project 4 Marin/Sonoma Conserving our Watersheds and Project 9 Petaluma Flood Reduction. Payment for Q16 and retention for Project 14 SF Bay Climate Change Pilot Projects have been paid out. Mr. Muller will be presenting an assessment of Project 10 Bayfront Canal/Atherton Channel Flood Improvement and Project 18 Upper York Creek Dam Removal at the June 10 Coordinating Committee meeting, describing their current progress and recommendation on whether their grant funds need to be reallocated to other projects. Mr. Muller doesn't foresee that being the case.

For Round 3, Mr. Muller reported 90% of the grant has been spent. 100% of the match has been accounted for. He is expecting Q13 payment from DWR in July.

For Round 4, Mr. Muller reported Project 4 East Palo Alto groundwater supply is 100% constructed. SFEP hasn't received Q8 payment yet. Q9 payment is expected in July. SFEP is up to date with quarterly submittals.

Jennifer Krebs gave an update on AQPI. Since the last Coordinating Committee meeting, there was a project event. The scientists from Colorado were here and they showed local agencies how to look up the active radars in Bay Area. They did technical demonstrations and outreach to 60 people. The status on the invoicing and reporting is included in the meeting packet.

It was asked if someone could do a general presentation on AQPI to the North Bay. Ms. Krebs offered to do a presentation.

## **3. Discussion of Transition of Prop 1 IRWM DACI Grant Administration**

Ms. Novotny reported the transition subcommittee met 2 times. They have discussed setting up project partner meetings and how to mitigate the stop work for the sub-contractors. She developed a support letter from the transition subcommittee for the Transition proposal.

It is intended for the Coordinating Committee to endorse the Transition proposal today. Some folks have suggested edits. To reflect that SFEP may make small changes, Ms. Novotny requested that the Coordinating Committee endorse, instead of approve, the proposal's overall concept.

Mr. Muller reported he sent out an email to the listserv with new version of the Transition proposal that didn't get included in the meeting packet. It reflects changes requested by DWR to include language on process and due diligence. In the maps section, CIEA asked for some language about why Tribes weren't

mapped. Under Project 2, there are mostly copy edits. In section 2.1, he added language to improve the synergies between DAC and Tribal work. There are limited funds available to support technical capacity building, but everyone will have access to the funds. Projects 3 and 4 were updated. Per DWR's guidance, Mr. Muller created a new project for the development of Phase 2 and then another project for Phase 2. DWR recommended a more stepwise approach to the development of the scope for Phase 2.

The proposal needs to be finalized by June 1. Therefore Mr. Muller needs any remaining comments in the next 2-3 days. CIEA commented that the proposal looks good.

The budget reflects all local project partners that are interested in moving forward that haven't completed their scopes of work. CIEA has an increase of \$200k, which reflects the total adjusted budget minus what was invoiced through EJCW. Mr. Muller reviewed CIEA's budget with Sherri Norris. CIEA's budget is phased over 2 phases, with the work focused on engaging with Tribes and capacity building.

Shore Up Marin is also receiving additional funding. Some others project partners have small increased budget due to costs of starting again with a new grantee.

Nuestra Casa is absorbing YUCA's scope of work, so they are asking for an increase in budget.

Sonoma Ecology Center/Daily Acts and the Watershed Project didn't originally budget enough for project management so are adding to their budget.

The Coordinating Committee endorsed the Transition proposal and is looking forward to seeing the final version that will likely have some minor modifications but will overall look the same. Steve Ritchie made the comment that the letter from the Coordinating Committee says it is approving the proposal, but it should be noted that there will be minor changes. There were no objections.

#### Action Items:

- Mr. Muller will make the minor changes to the Transition proposal and submit to DWR.

#### **4. Updates on Prop 1 IRWM DAC Involvement Program Work**

Maddie Duda reported out on the work of Contra Costa RCD. CCRCD has been conducting outreach, listening sessions, and needs assessment work in Antioch, Pittsburg, and Bay Point. They developed and deployed a GIS needs assessment survey to engage a broader audience. In Pittsburg, the community is reporting water issues related to water quality, taste and appearance of the drinking water, lack of access to water for recreation, illegal dumping into creeks, and sewage backups. There are also concerns about retaliation from the city for bringing up issues. In Antioch, the community is reporting issues

related to polluted stormwater, litter, overuse of water during the warm season, and the need for education around water conservation, flooding and drought.

Ms. Duda also reported out on the work of Friends of Sausal Creek. FOSC has been attending existing community events and partnering with existing community partners, including the Unity Council, Sogorea Te' Land Trust, IPOC, and Cesar Chavez library. They developed a preliminary needs assessment survey and facilitated a water engagement curriculum for students. The community is reporting issues related to trash in storm drains, pollution of creeks specifically oil from illegal mechanics, rising cost of water, and water waste. The community is experiencing a lack of housing and sees housing as a solution for some of the litter and pollution in creeks originating from the homeless population.

Alex Tavizon also reported out on CIEA's project partners' work. All 5 Tribal partners are in contract. IPOC just built the 1st arbor in the Bay Area. It holds significance for ceremonies and spiritual connection to the land. IPOC is also purchasing 5,000 gallon water containers for emergency preparedness. CIEA met with a Muwekma historian and are planning an orientation to kick off the needs assessment in the next 2 months. CIEA also met with Adam French representing Amah Matsun. CIEA is developing a Tribal Advisory Committee. Summer is the most important time to reach Tribal partners as it's when they have community events. Over the next 2-3 weeks CIEA will narrow down their needs assessment question list.

#### Action Items:

- Ms. Duda will send her slides on CCRC and FOSC outreach work to Ms. Chang to send to the listserv.

#### **5. Discussion of Approach to Prop 1 Implementation**

Brian Mendenhall reported the work is transitioning from the Planning Committee to the Project Scoring Committee (PSC). The PSC will have a coordination call at 3pm on Wednesday. It is requested that all projects submit their project proposals on the PIF electronic form directly to Robyn Navarra.

DWR has been informed of the proposed workshop date of August 23. There are pre-application materials that need to be submitted to DWR 2 weeks prior to the workshop.

Devon Becker asked if the number of projects will be limited to 10-12. Based on Prop 84, if projects have shared or similar benefits, they should consider combining into 1 project. The PSC may recommend combining projects.

Regarding the Plan Update, Ms. Novotny is incorporating comments she received from CIEA.

#### Action Items:

- Ms. Chang will follow up with EBMUD or StopWaste to host the DWR workshop.

## **6. Announcements and Next Steps**

Mr. Mendenhall commented that the current Vice chair for the Coordinating Committee is Melanie Richardson with Valley Water. She doesn't have time to participate in meetings and calls, so he is recommending switching the Vice chair to Lisa Bankosh, Assistant Officer for Watershed Stewardship for Valley Water. She has availability to participate. The IRWMP doesn't explicitly require a vote to change the Vice chair. The change to have Lisa Bankosh be the Vice chair of the Coordinating Committee was approved.

Maggie Dutton announced there is an East County IRWM meeting this Wed at 9am.

The plan is to have a conference call for the July 8<sup>th</sup> meeting. Brenda Buxton will check if the State Building can host the July 22 meeting. Ms. Duda will check if one of the outreach partners can host the August 26 meeting.