

**SF Bay Area IRWMP Coordinating Committee Meeting Summary
 March 22, 2021
 Conference Call Dial-in Only**

1. Roll Call – Appointed Functional Area Representatives Present

Water Supply- Water Quality	Wastewater- Recycled Water	Flood Protection- Stormwater	Watershed	Disadvantaged Communities
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Steve Ritchie, Chair, SFPUC • Mark Seedall, CCWD 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mark Boucher, CCCFCWCD • Brian Mendenhall, Valley Water 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Josh Bradt, SFEP • Brenda Buxton, SCC 	

Others Present:

Devon Becker, ACWD
 Marco Berger, Multicultural Center of Marin
 Jolene Bertetto, EBMUD
 Maddie Duda, Lotus Water
 Natasha Dunn, SFEP
 Adam French, Amah Mutsun Land Trust
 Quirina Geary, Ohlone
 Andrew Hall, San Mateo RCD
 Bryce Henney, MKThink
 Ryan Hirano, Woodard & Curran
 I-Pei Hsiu, EBMUD
 Janice Hunter, GreenAction
 Jennifer Krebs, representing Sonoma Water
 Darcie Luce, SFEP
 James Muller, SFEP
 Michelle Novotny, SFPUC
 Elke Rank, Zone 7 Water Agency
 Matt Sagues, MMWD
 Kanyon Sayers-Roods, Association of Ramaytush Ohlone
 Chelsea Spier, DWR
 Alex Tavizon, CIEA

2. Status on Prop 84 Rounds 1-4

James Muller gave an update on Round 4 Project 7 Mountain View Shoreline and Project 8 Eden Landing. Project 7 Mountain View is expecting a permitting letter next month giving a green light for construction. Project 8 Eden Landing is being re-scoped to cover the South San Francisco Shoreline Bayshore restoration because the Eden Landing project is not projected to be finished until 2025 or 2026. Bidding for the South San Francisco Shoreline Bayshore Restoration was extended to May 6th, 2021. The project is waiting on action from the Army Corp of Engineers before it can commence construction.

Steve Ritchie asked about Round 2 Project 10 Bayfront Canal. Natasha Dunn replied that the project was waiting on a permit from the Water Board, but has now gone out to bid and is expecting to construct from May through October 2021. The project hired a construction management firm and the project should be on track once the permitting issues are resolved.

Jennifer Krebs provided an AQPI update. The Local Agency Partner Agreement and all other agreements are going to the Sonoma Water Board for approval. The East Bay radar should be installed at Rocky Ridge in April or May 2021. There is a users group meeting this week.

3. Discussion of Actions to Improve Equity in Bay Area IRWMP

Mr. Muller reported he received a first draft of recommendations for the Tribal representatives that would participate as voting members of the Coordinating Committee. He and Janice Hunter from GreenAction are also working on identifying the DAC representatives that would participate as voting members of the Coordinating Committee. Mr. Muller is scheduling the 3rd meeting of this group.

4. Status of Prop 1 IRWM DACTIP

Mr. Muller reported he is working on six amendments to the outreach partners' agreements to add scope and budget. The partners are determining where they want to focus their efforts. Mr. Muller is also working on contracting with SimpleLab, the firm that won the procurement for lab testing for the tap water quality testing program. He anticipates being ready to start water quality testing in April 2021.

Maddie Duda gave an update on the regional needs assessments. She is working with the outreach partners to put together sections of the needs assessments. She also reported that the Downtown Streets Team and Voices will be doing outreach to people experiencing homelessness; that work will be beginning in the next couple weeks. META, a new partner in the South Bay, will also be working in San Jose on a needs assessment.

Ryan Hirano gave an update on capacity building. He developed a Google Drive collaborative space for the outreach partners. He will be discussing with the outreach partners their priorities for the Technical Advisory Committee meetings. He has heard from outreach partners that they want to gain a better understanding of the next Prop 1 implementation round.

Josh Bradt gave an update on project development, noting there is an array of project ideas that the outreach partners will be exploring with public sector agencies. Outreach partners have been strategizing on how to engage public agency partners and have started on that engagement.

Alex Tavizon gave an update on the Tribal outreach. CIEA is finalizing its amended contract with ABAG next week. Tribes are providing land acknowledgements for the Regional Needs Assessment report. Mr. Tavizon is participating in project development meetings with Him-R-in, and they have a verbal agreement of collaboration with Coyote Hills. The Association of Ramayatush Ohlone are also working on establishing a partnership with a local agency. Muwekma and others are also working to develop local partnerships to put multiple projects forward for implementation funding.

5. Status of Prop 1 Implementation Funding

Mr. Muller gave an update on the grant, noting he is hoping to get the agreement executed this week. SFEP is working through five individual funding agreements with the local project sponsors. The other half of projects in the agreement are "placeholder projects" because their CEQA/permitting is not yet complete.

Brian Mendenhall gave an update on the Planning and Process Committee (PPC). The committee met on March 18th and discussed setting up the overall process for Prop 1 Round 2. The committee discussed when it would be appropriate to check-in with the Coordinating Committee and when to ask for formal approval on various items. The PPC is discussing regional goals, scoring criteria from both DWR and the Bay Area, and equitable representation and access/outreach/project applicant support. The discussions are building on the efforts of the DACTIP and governance changes. DWR is expected to release the Project Solicitation Package (PSP) for Round 2 this Fall.

6. Discussion of Structure of Future Meetings

Mr. Muller stated he intends to develop a full proposal and bring it back to the Coordinating Committee. He noted that, as discussed at the last Coordinating Committee meeting, there has been stakeholder feedback that the meetings may not be occurring in the best way possible to foster conversation. He outlined some ideas that may be included in a forthcoming proposal, including:

- Having an annual meeting to evaluate how the Coordinating Committee meetings are going and to introduce new participants to the Bay Area IRWM program;
- Designating Coordinating Committee liaisons. These liaisons could be the same as the current sub-regional representatives and would be available for participants to reach out to if they have questions;
- Completing a survey asking why Coordinating Committee members participate, what people want out of these meetings, and how to improve integrated water planning; and
- Making time and space for more creative project planning.

7. Discussion of Water Bonds

Michelle Novotny noted there are currently proposed water bonds in both the State Senate and Assembly, but that as of now neither bill includes funding for IRWM. Without that funding IRWM programs may not be able to go forward beyond the expenditures allowed through Prop 1.

8. Announcements and Next Steps

Mr. Mendenhall asked for an update on the 4-party funds, and James explained that he is developing a memo to send to the 4 parties.