



Regional Water Management Group
Monday, July 9, 2018 1:30 pm
Location: Raley's Supermarket – Community Room
40041 CA-49, Oakhurst, CA 93644 – 559-683-8300;
Directions: Highway 41 to Highway 49. The shopping
center is located on the North/West corner of the intersection.
The Community Room is in the back of the store next to the Pharmacy

MINUTES

1. Open – Flag Salute
- Introductions

Jeannie Habben – Admin Assistant
Tom Wheeler – Madera County BOS
Brittany Dyer – Madera County BOS
Doug Welch – Chowchilla Water District
Carl Janzen – Madera Irrigation District
Al Solis – S.E.M.C.U.
Stephanie Anagnoson – MC, Water & NR

Zaira Lopez – CA RWQCB
Don Roberts – Gravelly Ford WD
Dario Dominguez – Madera County
Ken Bonesteel – QK
Dave Merchen – City of Madera
Samantha Lopes – Farm Management Svcs

2. Review & Approval - Agenda & Minutes
- June 11, 2018 – Minutes
- July 09, 2018 - Agenda

Carl J made a motion to approve the agenda as presented; Al S second the motion; all voted; motion is carried unanimously.

Carl J made a motion to approve the minutes with no changes; Stephanie A second the motion; all voted; motion is passed unanimously

3. Public Comment –

- The last Madera County Agriculture Roundtable was on Friday, June 15 at the Madera County Farm Bureau office. They discussed Agricultural Conservation Easements. There will not be an Ag Roundtable in July or August.
- A comprehensive conference on SGMA's next phase: Sustainable Groundwater Planning in California: Important practical legal, technical, business and regulatory information for preparing GSPs. This will be in Sacramento on July 26 & 27 by Law Seminars International.
- Yosemite Peace Symposium – A Gathering of Peacemakers will be presented at the Tenaya Lodge on October 26-27, 2018. They will have 12 breakouts in three tracks: Peace and the Environment; Peace and Our Youth; Peace and Human Dignity. Jeannie H and Steve Haze will be presenters at one of the Peace and the Environment break-out sessions.
- Member interest news: The 59th Logger Jamboree was held the weekend of July 7 and the 125th Birthday Float for Madera County was in the Parade and Supervisor Tom Wheeler competed. And a Special Congratulations to Brittany Dyer for receiving her master's degree in Environmental Science on June 15.

New Business:

4. Discussion and Action - Financial Report/Warrant Approvals
After discussion of the financials; with all debits and credits explained, Carl J made a motion to approve the Financial Report with no changes; Dave M second the motion; all voted; motion is passed unanimously
5. Discussion - IRWM Plan Update
 - Review draft to date
 - Incorporate Storm Water Resource Plan
Ken B reported that the projects for the Red Top were added to the plan update. They are working on the update and will attempt to have a draft completed by this month and before the next RWMG meeting for review.
6. Discussion – Proposition 1 Disadvantaged Community Involvement Funding
 - Mountain Counties
The Sierra Institute, with consultants Sierra Water Workgroup and California Indian Environmental Alliance, is hosting workshops in each IRWM region across the MCFA to address the following objectives: 1. Work collaboratively to involve DACs, community-based organizations, Tribes and stakeholders in IRWM planning efforts to ensure balanced access and opportunity for participation in the IRWM planning process. 2. Increase the understanding, and where necessary, identify the water management needs of DACs and Tribes on a Funding Area basis. 3. Develop strategies and long-term solutions that appropriately address the identified DAC and Tribal water management needs to the grantee.

There are three components to the workshops: 1. Community capacity assessment, 2. Water/wastewater system needs assessment, and 3. Tribal orientation, program planning and needs assessment. The Madera workshop for Part 1 and Part 2 are scheduled for Tuesday, July 24, 2018 from 9am-4:30pm. Part 3 is scheduled for Wednesday, July 25 from 10 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. The workshops will be held at the North Fork Rancheria Tribal TANF office, 57911 Old Mill Site Ct., North Fork, CA 93643. Jeannie H will be attending the Quarterly MCFA – Face-to-Face meeting in Sacramento on July 17.
 - San Joaquin Valley
After a few corrections on the application for the San Joaquin River (Valley) Funding Area, DWR has accepted the application submitted. This was the last Funding Area to be approved. The final paperwork is being completed by Contra Costa and San Luis/Delta Mendota as the lead agencies. Once this is completed, Provost and Pritchard and Self-Help Enterprises will begin their work on the DAC needs assessment.
7. Discussion – Madera RWMG Website
Jeannie H and Stephanie A updated the information on the current website. The Membership Packet was updated as well as the general information with the addition of pictures to dress it up. All of the Agendas and Minutes from 2018 have been added to update the information since the last Director of Water and Natural Resources left the position. The website is now linked to the Madera County page; the RWMG is located under the Water & Natural Resources label. This will take a user to <http://www.maderacountywater.com/regional-water-management-group/>
This will now come off the agenda until future discussions.

Old Business:

8. Report – Sustainable Groundwater Management - SGMA
The Madera Subbasin group held a public workshop in June and there were about 60 in attendance. The Technical meeting will be held on August 1 followed by another possible Public Meeting in August. The Chowchilla Subbasin Group met last month and are meeting again next Wednesday. They have decided not to have any specific management areas – just one large area/group for now; even though there is still discussion on management areas, the possible decision could be two management areas – westside/subsidence area and the eastside of the Subbasin. They are currently comprised of four GSAs and one Water Company through studies, they have found that the Poso Basin has a 130k ac/ft overdraft and the area of the Chowchilla Water District there is a 30-35k ac/ft overdraft.
9. Report – Grant Updates
 - Round I – Arundo/Silt Removal Project
No progress yet, the County is waiting for the nesting season to end.
10. Discussion - New or Suggested Memberships to RWMG
Jeannie H was requested to send the updated Membership Packet to Triangle T Water District (aka Red Top). Also, possible membership for the Mountain County Funding Area could be found with the new members of the MD22A committee.
11. Next Meeting Location and Time – Monday, August 13, 2018 - 1:30 pm
Location: Chowchilla City Hall (aka Civic Center), 130 S. Second Street, Chowchilla – the Training Room.
12. Future Agenda Items:
 - Remove #7 Discussion of the Website from future agendas
 - Send draft of update when it is received from QK
13. Action Items/Adjourn: 2:18pm
 - Jeannie H was requested to send the updated Membership Packet to Triangle T Water District (aka Red Top).
 - Discuss possible membership for the Mountain County Funding Area with the new members of the MD22A committee.