

# Monterey Regional Stormwater Management Program

## Management Committee

### MEETING MINUTES

For May 25, 2022

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#### AGENDA ITEMS

##### 1. Call to Order / Roll-Call

Chairperson Trapani (County of Monterey) called the meeting to order at 9:32a.m. and performed roll call.

##### Management Committee (MC) Members:

City of Carmel – Agnes Martelet  
City of Del Rey Oaks – Ron Fucci  
City of Monterey - Tricia Wotan  
City of Pacific Grove – Dan Gho  
City of Sand City – Leon Gomez  
City of Seaside – Patrick Grogan  
County of Monterey – Michael Trapani

##### Other:

Melissa Savage – City of Seaside  
Jessica Juico – City of Carmel  
Josephine Fleming, Brooke Wright –  
Environmental Innovations  
Elizabeth Spear - Dudek

##### MRSWMP Staff:

Program Manager – Jeff Condit

##### 2. Public Comment

None.

#### CONSENT AGENDA

##### 3. Approve Management Committee Meeting Minutes for 4/27/22

- **Action:** On a motion by Martelet (*City of Carmel*), seconded by Gomez (*City of Sand City*), Management Committee approved the Management Committee Meeting Minutes for 4/27/22 (4-0-1, Monterey and Sand City arrived after the vote).

- **Ayes:** Martelet, Gho, Fucci, Trapani
- **Noes:** None
- **Abstain:** Savage

#### DISCUSSION ITEMS

##### 4. Update on COVID-19 Situation

A brief discussion ensued regarding impacts the current COVID-19 situation has had on stormwater programs and local government in general:

- Condit shared that the local Pacific Grove School District has reinstated mask mandate
- Martelet shared that the City of Carmel has also reinstated masking.

#### **5. Presentation of Turn the Tide on Plastic Campaign**

Brooke Wright and Jo Fleming of Environmental Innovations shared a presentation on their latest efforts regarding the Turn the Tide on Plastic Campaign. The presentation included a de-brief of the City of Seaside's Plastic Pollution Prevention Ordinance, an update on the status of the Turn the Tide on Plastic campaign, and case studies of local implementation examples at specific restaurants. They discussed the possibility of expanding the Turn the Tide on Plastic campaign to a regional initiative. Members opined that this issue combines stormwater and solid waste efforts.

Martelet shared that AB1276 was recently passed which places additional requirements on local jurisdictions. She also suggested that the City of Salinas may be a potential partner in this discussion.

#### **6. De-Brief of Integrated Pest Management Training**

Condit provided a de-brief of the recent Integrated Pest Management (IPM) Training held on May 19. The training was well attended and we received positive feedback from participant polls conducted during the training. Members shared that in the future, this training can be more direct on practical, Public Works-related applications, with less of an emphasis on the big picture of IPM.

Wotan suggested that the City of Salinas may be a partner for additional trainings in the future **(Action Item – Condit)**.

#### **7. Update on Political Relevancy**

Trapani re-visited slides from our March 2021 Political Relevancy Workshop in order to check back in on this regional effort to view our stormwater programs through the lens of political relevancy. Condit shared an update on tasks that were assigned to the regional program as a result of this effort which included an article in the Weekly regarding '20 Years of Collaboration' as well as a Monterey One Water Proclamation recognizing Stormwater Awareness Week.

Condit offered that he is available to assist members with the passage of additional Stormwater Awareness Week proclamations at individual Councils and Boards this upcoming October **(Action Item – Condit, All Members)**. This is a voluntary action that may be an opportunity to raise awareness of the regional program and stormwater efforts in general. Martelet shared that this could also present a good opportunity to share the results of our pending Trend Analysis of First Flush data.

#### **8. Update on Annual Report**

Trapani reminded members that the current Permit Year runs through June 30 and shared specific efforts he is currently performing to meet his Permit Requirements. Condit shared a list of Permit Requirement questions as found in the State Water Board's SMARTS

database, with a due date to be submitted and certified by October 15. Condit will provide members with an Annual Report Template to assist members with their efforts (**Action Item – Condit**).

## **ACTION ITEM**

### **9. Action Item to Update the MRSWMP Memorandum of Agreement’s “Table of Population and Votes for Use in Weighted Voting and Cost Share” Based on 2020 Census Data**

Members recently conducted a review of the current Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) in anticipation of the need to agree to a new MOA due to the pending re-issuance of the Phase II MS4 Stormwater Permit. During the review, it was noted that the current MOA provides clear guidance on updating the “Table of Population and Votes for the Use in Weighted Voting and Cost Share” of each participating member through formal action following the publication of updated Census figures. Condit presented an updated “Table of Population and Votes for the Use in Weighted Voting and Cost Share” for consideration.

- **Action:** On a motion by Martelet (*City of Carmel*), seconded by Wotan (*City of Monterey*), Management Committee approved the Update of the MRSWMP Memorandum of Agreement’s “Table of Population and Votes for Use in Weighted Voting and Cost Share” Based on 2020 Census Data (7-0).
  - **Ayes:** Martelet, Grogan, Gomez, Wotan, Fucci, Trapani, Gho
  - **Noes:** None
  - **Abstain:** None

### **10. Action Item to Approve the MRSWMP Budget and Cost-Share Allocation for FY2022/23**

Condit has been working with a Sub-Committee consisting of the Chair and Vice-Chair to develop the FY2022/23 Budget and Cost-Share Allocation. Of note, the FY2022/23 Budget and Cost-Share Allocation incorporates updated population numbers based on 2020 Census Data.

- **Action:** On a motion by Gomez (*City of Sand City*), seconded by Wotan (*City of Monterey*), Management Committee approved the MRSWMP Budget and Cost-Share Allocation for FY2022/23 (7-0).
  - **Ayes:** Martelet, Grogan, Gomez, Wotan, Fucci, Trapani, Gho
  - **Noes:** None
  - **Abstain:** None

## **ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**

### **11. Management Committee Member and Program Manager Reports**

- a. **City of Carmel** – Martelet introduced Jessica Juico, Environmental Technician, as a new additional the City of Carmel team.
- b. **City of Monterey** – Wotan shared a news clip on the Ocean Cleaning Robot that was recently featured on KSBW. Wotan attended an Emergency Rulemaking hearing where they were considering additional regulations on potable water irrigation. There is a concern that the regulatory proposal may not exempt PCR structures which rely of irrigation for establishment. She suggested we follow up with CASQA to clarify and provide direction **(Action Item – Condit)**.
- c. **City of Pacific Grove** – Gho shared that Pacific Grove is actively recruiting for an Environmental Regulations Manager.
- d. **City of Sand City** – Gomez shared that Sand City recently approved the design standards for their upcoming Green Street.
- e. **City of Seaside** – Grogan introduced Melissa Savage, Assistant Engineer for the City of Seaside.
- f. **County of Monterey** – Trapani shared that he has been working with his Street Sweeping company on a number of issues. He is currently conducting his outfall survey.
- g. **Program Manager** – Condit shared that the CASQA Phase II Sub-Committee has been discussing the proposed Cost of Compliance permit requirements. He will continue to monitor the progress of this initiative.

## **ADJOURNMENT / SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING**

### **12. Schedule Next Meeting**

The next Management Committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, June 22, at 9:30am.

### **13. Meeting Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 11:06a.m.