

Monterey Regional Stormwater Management Program

Management Committee

MEETING MINUTES

For July 27, 2022

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 – Melissa Savage
County of Monterey – Michael Trapani

Other:

Kevin Anderson – City of Monterey
Jessica Juico – City of Carmel
Rick Reidl – Wallace Group
Phil O’Neill – Hydro International
John Stiver - Contech
Rachel Fatoohi – County of Santa Cruz
Bridget Hoover – Monterey Bay Sanctuary
Foundation
Diana Garrett - Caltrans

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 Gho (*City of Pacific Grove*), seconded by Martelet (*City of Carmel*), Management Committee approved the Management Committee Meeting Minutes for 5/25/22 (7-0).

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

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 M1W has seen an uptick in Covid cases and has re-implemented their Covid protocols.

5. Update on Emergency Water Conservation Measures

Stephanie Locke of Monterey Peninsula Water Management District provided an update on the Emergency Water Conservation Measures, discussing a FAQ sheet that was recently released by the State Water Board. She reminded members that the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District has been following heightened water restrictions since the 1990s due to water supply issues faced by the Monterey Peninsula. She encouraged members to reach out to her via email if they have specific questions.

6. Update on Trash Amendment

a. Presentation of City of Monterey Full Trash Capture Installation

Kevin Anderson shared a presentation regarding two recently installed Full Trash Capture devices. The City of Monterey installed two 6'x12' Hydro DryScreens at the end of both a 30-acre and a 35-acre watershed. Phil O'Neill from Hydro International shared insight regarding the device approval from the State Water Board, specifically with regard to Mosquito Vector concerns.

b. Update on AB1276

Condit discussed the recently enacted AB1276, a statewide initiative regulating single-use foodware accessories and condiments. The regulation states that local jurisdictions are responsible for identifying an enforcement agency for the law. Condit noted that several state-wide non-profit organizations have taken the lead on outreach regarding the initiative. He will forward members a recording of a recent webinar that was hosted by the non-profits which provides direction for implementing the regulation, specifically if an underlying plastic pollution prevention ordinance is already in place.

Trapani inquired whether there was an incentive to adopt a jurisdiction-specific ordinance considering that the statewide regulation is now in place. Members shared that there may be benefits to adopting a jurisdiction-specific ordinance in order to build upon the statewide ordinance such as public engagement. There may also be additional Trash Amendment credit toward full capture compliance, though this will be a discussion with the State and Regional Board. An extended discussion ensued.

7. Update on MRSWMP Monitoring Program

Bridget Hoover of the Monterey Bay Marine Sanctuary Foundation shared that they will host a virtual Volunteer Appreciation Event for volunteers of the MRSWMP First Flush Monitoring Program on Thursday, August 18 at 6:30. Condit invited members to participate in the program.

Hoover also shared that her team is currently working on the Trend Analysis of MRSWMP Monitoring Program data collected over the past 20 years. They will be prepared to present the results of the analysis during our August 24 MRSWMP Meeting.

8. Update on DPR Pesticide Applicator Training – Sept. 28 and Oct. 12

Condit shared that the Department of Pesticide Regulation is hosting upcoming trainings for private pesticide applicators on Sept. 28 and October 12. Condit is working to promote the trainings among private firms that host pesticide applicators in the region. Trapani shared that the effort may assist in meeting Toxicity TMDL requirements.

9. Update on Annual Report

a. Timeline for Annual Report Template

Condit presented a timeline for the development of an Annual Report Template. The template will be shared via thumb drive with members during the September 28 MRSWMP Meeting.

10. Update on Stormwater Awareness Week

a. Annual Building Inspector Training

Members discussed the upcoming Annual Building Inspector Training. Members reached consensus that due to Covid concerns, the training will be a virtual event this Permit Year. Members reached consensus that we will utilize the Construction BMP training programs that are hosted by WGR Consultants as a part of the statewide Stormwater Awareness Week activities.

b. Stormwater Awareness Week Proclamation

Condit shared a draft Stormwater Awareness Week Proclamation that members can utilize if they wish to raise awareness of stormwater issues with their City Councils or Boards. The proclamation is a voluntary activity aimed at gaining political relevancy for both individual and the regional program.

11. Update on Stormwater Resource Plan

a. Update on Priority Projects

Savage shared a brief update on progress toward the Del Monte Manor Biofiltration project which was a priority project identified in the Stormwater Resource Plan. Wotan shared that the Lake El Estero Urban Diversion, another priority project identified in the SRP, was recently awarded \$1m through the State Budget process.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

12. Management Committee Member and Program Manager Reports

- a. **City of Monterey** – Wotan shared that she has been in discussions with the State Water Board regarding their proposed Cost of Compliance permit requirements. She developed a Cost of Compliance template that may be useful for members to review in the future.
- b. **City of Pacific Grove** – Gho shared that the City of Pacific Grove has hired a new Environmental Regulations Manager, George Fuerst, who will be representing the City going forward.
- c. **City of Sand City** – Gomez reminded members that Sand City will host the West End celebration August 26-27.

- d. **County of Monterey** – Trapani shared that he has been officially promoted as Stormwater Program Manager for the County of Monterey.
- e. **Program Manager** – Condit shared that the CASQA Phase II Sub-Committee is currently in discussions with the State Water Board on Trash Amendment Permit language.

ADJOURNMENT / SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING

13. Schedule Next Meeting

The next Management Committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, August 24, at 9:30am.

14. Meeting Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 11:10a.m.

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