

Monterey Regional Stormwater Management Program

Management Committee

MEETING MINUTES For February 22, 2022

AGENDA ITEMS

1. Call to Order / Roll-Call

Chairperson Gomez (City of Sand City) called the meeting to order at 9:32a.m. and performed roll call.

Management Committee (MC) Members:

City of Carmel – Jessica Juico
City of Del Rey Oaks – Ron Fucci
City of Monterey - Tricia Wotan
City of Pacific Grove – George Fuerst
City of Sand City – Leon Gomez
City of Seaside –Melissa Savage
County of Monterey – Michael Trapani

Other:

Maris Sidenstecker – Save the Whales
Jackie McCloud – City of Watsonville
Merrill Taylor – Craft Water Engineering, Inc.
Lindsay Brown – National Marine Sanctuary Foundation
Nathaniel Milam – Whitson Engineers
Lucas Sharkey, Trent Buchanan – Regional Board
Bob Bourke
Doug Dowden

MRSWMP Staff:

Program Manager – Jeff Condit

2. Public Comment

Lucas Sharkey introduced Trent Buchanan as a new member of the Regional Board's team. He will be focused on MS4's in the Santa Cruz region, as well as IGP and CGP items.

CONSENT AGENDA

3. Approve Management Committee Meeting Minutes for 1/25/23

- **Action:** On a motion by Wotan (*City of Monterey*), seconded by Gomez (*City of Sand City*), Management Committee approved the Management Committee Meeting Minutes for 1/25/23 (6-0, *Del Rey Oaks arrived after the vote*).

- **Ayes:** Juico, Trapani, Wotan, Fuerst, Gomez, Grogan
- **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. Highlights included:

- Condit shared that the Governor's Executive Order that has allowed for virtual meetings throughout the Covid pandemic will come to an end on Feb. 28. The MRSWMP will resume meeting in person at the Monterey One Water Administrative Conference Room for their March 22 meeting.

5. City of Watsonville Green Infrastructure Plan

Jackie McCloud of the City of Watsonville provided a presentation regarding their recently completed Green Infrastructure Plan. She was joined by Merrill Taylor of Craft Water Engineering, Inc. Ms. McCloud and Mr. Taylor discussed their process and highlights of the Plan. The Green Infrastructure Plan can be found at the following link:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/12Jkm-52ht1VG-p-y7gYB0xotpnahqRy/view?ts=61ba3c8c>

The Green Infrastructure Plan included Concept Designs for eight projects that proved to be very helpful in pursuing grant funding from grantors such as the California Natural Resource Agency, the Department of Water Resources, and the Bay Area Council Foundation. They have had success in moving forward with a few of the initial designs. An extended discussion ensued.

6. Update on Public Education and Public Outreach Program

a. Update on TV Ad Development

Condit and Fuerst provided an update to members on the development of new TV Ads to support outreach efforts. The effort includes the participation of our regional collaborative of Permittees from Monterey and Santa Cruz Counties.

a. Community-Based Social Marketing Workshop – Feb. 7-9

Condit and Sidenstecker shared highlights of a recent training workshop they participated in regarding Community-Based Social Marketing. They noted that the training was well-attended by regional partners and the non-profit community. Condit and Sidenstecker have signed on for an additional training opportunity meant to focus on real-world applications. They will report back to the group following this exercise.

7. Update on Mutual Aid Agreements

Following up on member direction from the January 25 MRSWMP Meeting, Condit presented a Staff Report presenting his research on existing mutual aid agreements and emergency procurement policies. Members currently rely on their Emergency Operation Centers for coordination in the event of an emergency. Members discussed the potential for developing an inventory of available resources that could be made available in the event of an emergency. Members directed Condit to review the County Office of Emergency Services' Multi-Jurisdiction Hazard Mitigation Plan to understand if this is a resource for storm event situations (**Action Item – Condit**). Members directed Condit to meet with the County OES team during their open 'Office Hours' to gain additional insight (**Action Item – Condit**).

8. Update on Proposed 2022-24 303(d) List of Impaired Water Bodies

Condit shared that the State Water Board announced a Public Comment period regarding the proposed 2022-24 303(d) List of Impaired Water Bodies. Although this is an off-cycle

year for the Central Coast, the State Water Board included 29 new water bodies on their proposed list.

Wotan shared that past efforts included challenges in the form of errors in nomenclature for specific drainages, regarding the naming of some drainages.

9. Update on Post-Construction Requirements

a. Discussion of SCM O&M Fact Sheets

Members requested additional time for their review of the proposed SCM O&M Fact Sheets. Condit provided a new deadline of March 16 for members to complete their review.

b. Update on PCR Training – April 27

Condit is in the process of coordinating a PCR Training with a tentative date of April 27. The virtual training will include an overview of the Post-Construction Requirements, the Stormwater Technical Guide, and a Case Study of an actual PCR project. Valerie Huff is available to facilitate the training. The training will be geared towards both the development community and municipal staff.

Milam recommended obtaining questions from the development community prior to the event, possibly during the registration process.

c. Update on O&M Training

Condit is also in the process of coordinating an O&M Training for PCR facilities. This training will be aligned with the release of the O&M Fact Sheets. Members appeared open to the idea of a virtual training. The training will target municipal staff as well as private contractors. It would be helpful to capture questions from the participants prior to the training.

Sharkey shared that there may be resources available regarding O&M practices from Ohio State University and North Carolina State University.

Update on Trash Amendment

a. Update on Trash Assessments

Condit shared that he will begin Trash Assessments on behalf of members in the coming weeks. He is working with Sidenstecker to identify CSUMB Service Learning Students to participate in the effort. He will utilize the Second Nature Trash Module to collect the data.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

10. Management Committee Member and Program Manager Reports

- a. **City of Del Rey Oaks** – Fucci shared that the City is exploring some stormwater capture and reuse opportunities in their jurisdiction in partnership with Monterey One Water.
- b. **City of Carmel** – Juico shared that Agnes Martelet has moved on from the City. Juico looks forward to working with members during the transition.
- c. **City of Sand City** – Gomez shared that he is exploring the implementation of the green street in his main thoroughfare.

- d. **County of Monterey** – Trapani shared that he is looking to develop a sewer lateral maintenance program for the County. He is interested in learning more about the County of Santa Cruz program during a presentation at an upcoming MRSWMP meeting.
- e. **Program Manager** – Condit shared that he is a Co-Chair of the CASQA Training Sub-Committee. His focus will be on the development of a statewide Stormwater 101 Training initiative.

ADJOURNMENT / SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING

11. Schedule Next Meeting

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

12. Meeting Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 11:07a.m.

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