

SJCDWQC Steering Committee Minutes – Monday, January 14, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 9:02 a.m. by Mike Wackman. The agenda was accepted and approved by consent.

In attendance: Mike Wackman (SJCDWQC), Ruth Mulrooney (SJCDWQC), Sarah Lucchetti (SJCDWQC), Richard Newens (MLJ Environmental), Terry Prichard (SJCDWQC), Joe Valente (Kautz Farms), Richard Atkins (SEWD).Spencer Voss (MVA), Michelle Leinfelder-Miles (UCCE), Jesse Fowler (SJC Ag Commissioners Office), Phil Balmat (SJCRCDD), Ben Weise (CCCRCD), Melissa Turner (MLJ Environmental), Mike Johnson (MLJ Environmental), Dave Forkel (MWD), Emily Sheldon (OID), Bob Ferguson (Grower/SDWA).

Financial Report – Mike W. reviewed the financial report. Upcoming invoices will be the State Board acreage fee for approx. \$470,000.00 and CV Salts for approx. \$25,000.00. Income is down by \$135,000.00. Ruth is contacting members with an outstanding balance.

Membership Report –Ruth reported that she has been assisting MLJ Environmental in updating information in preparation of creating the member packets that will be mailed January 22nd. The 2018 packet will not include a Farm Evaluation as they are not required for that crop year. She and Wendy have attended grower meetings. They continue to help in organizing upcoming CE classes, NMP classes and annual meetings.

Program Managers Report– (Please refer to the attached Program Managers Report) Richard N. reported that a storm event sampling occurred 1/8/19. The bifenthrin exceedance that occurrence in August 2018 required the Coalition to submit an updated monitoring plan in zone #2. This will required an additional 22 analyses for bifenthrin. The Ground Water Trend Monitoring report is nearly complete and soon landowners who participated in the monitoring will be mailed their results. Mike J. reported that the Bio Stimulatory Process is ongoing the SB wants to regulate the amount of N and phosphorous in surface waters. The SB released four documents in November 2018 totaling over 500 pages. Mike J. reviewed all the documents and along with Tess Denham they submitted comments. The proposed trigger limits of total N in surface waters (organic, nitrate, nitrite, ammonium and phosphorous) was arrived at though a study conducted by Southern California Coastal Research Project (SCCRP). Mike J. expressed serious concern over how SCCRП arrived at the trigger limit numbers.

WDR Implementation (Old Business) – Mike W. reported that our New WDR should be approved at the 2/7/19 meeting of the WB. It will include the individual drinking water well requirement in our Coalition area for 2021. Wells will have to be tested for nitrates and nitrites and the results uploaded to Geo Tracker by the lab conducting the test. NMP Self Certification class signups are minimal and Mike W. may combine the two class dates. Additional CE classes have been added to the original schedule. Sarah will conduct a SECP class. Mike W and Jill S. from MLJ Environmental will speak at upcoming grower meetings. Jill will give a demonstration and encourage growers to use the web portal to submit their surveys. The Delta RMP is up and running they are focusing on pesticides. CV Salts held an outreach meeting scheduled on 12/12/18 in Modesto. The SB may give their final approval of the CV Salts program at their April meeting, as it has already been approved by the RB. The Coalition will have to develop surface and groundwater management zones that will result in increased costs to the Coalition.

New Business – None. **Public Comments** – None.

Adjourn 9:50 a.m.

The next meeting of the SJCDWQC is scheduled for February 11, 2019, 9:00 a.m. at the San Joaquin Farm Bureau 3290 N. Ad Art Road, Stockton, CA.