

SJCDWQC Steering Committee Minutes – Monday, October 8, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 9:10 a.m. by Mike Wackman. The agenda was accepted and approved by consent.

In attendance: Mike Wackman (SJCDWQC), Ruth Mulrooney (SJCDWQC), Sarah Lucchetti (SJCDWQC), Melissa Turner (MLJ, LLC), Phil Balmat (SJCRCDD), Dave Forkel (MWD), Kamal Bagri (SJC Ag Commissioner's Office), Richard Rodriguez (SJCRCDD), Terry Prichard (SJCDWQC), Michelle Leinfelder-Miles, (UCCE), Amy Blagg (LDGGA), Joe Valente (Kautz Farms).

Financial Report – Mike W. reviewed the financial report, which is not completely up to date as he had not yet received the reports from the county and the monthly bills are not due until 10/10/18.

Membership Report – Ruth reported that the WB is getting closer to enforcement action on grower who have not submitted their 2017 Nitrogen Management Plan Summary Report and/or their Farm Evaluation. On 9/12/18 the WB mailed NOV letters to nearly 300 growers in our Coalition area. If the Coalition has the telephone number or email of the NOV letter recipients they will be contacted by the Coalition and outreach assistance will be offered.

Program Managers Report– (Please refer to the attached Program Managers Report) Melissa reported that the first chlorpyrifos exceedance of the water year occurred in June. The pyrethroid testing in the water column began in September, and found a bifenthrin exceedance at French Camp @ Airport Way. Groundwater well testing will soon begin and we are mailing packets to the landowners who volunteer their wells to explain the process. Melissa reported that 87.6% of the 2017 Farm Evaluations and 94% of the 2017 Nitrogen Management Plan Summary Reports have been received. Normans Nursery update; a site specific plan has been develop and was approved by the RB. The Coalition will use their well as part of our GW Trend Monitoring Plan.

WDR Implementation (Old Business) – Mike W. reported that our New WDR should be approved by February 2019 and will include domestic well testing. The RB will notify residents of houses that have high nitrate domestic well test results. The landowners are responsible for notifying the RB of the domestic well test results. Global ID codes to identify each well will be used when entering information into Geo Tracker. The annual grower meetings will be posted on our Coalition website and a letter will direct mailed to our members. Mike W. reported that CV Salts is waiting for the SB to approve their plan.

New Business – None.

Public Comments – None.

Adjourn 9:55 a.m.

The next meeting of the SJCDWQC is scheduled for November 12, 2018 at the San Joaquin Farm Bureau 3290 N. Ad Art Road, Stockton, CA.