

SJCDWQC Steering Committee Minutes – Monday, March 11, 2019

The meeting was called to order at 9:03 a.m. by Mike Wackman. The agenda was accepted and approved by consent.

In attendance: Mike Wackman (SJCDWQC), Ruth Mulrooney (SJCDWQC), Terry Prichard (SJCDWQC), Richard Atkins (SEWD), Spencer Voss (MVA), Jesse Fowler (SJC Ag Commissioners Office), Phil Balmat (SJCRCDD), Ben Weise (CCCRCD), Mike Johnson, (MLJ Environmental), Richard Newens, Dave Forkel (MWD), Richard Rodriguez (SJCRCDD), Michelle Leinfelder-Miles (UC Ext), Emily Sheldon (OID), Kiku Severson (MVA), Alvin Cortopassi (SEWD), Sarah Lucchetti (SJCRCDD)

Financial Report – Mike W. led a discussion regarding the draft 2019-20 budget. Membership fees will be set at the April 2019 SJCRCDD Board meeting. State Board Fees will increase by 10% in the upcoming budget year. Mike J. reported that DB management fees will increase slightly due to new INMP forms that will have to be integrated into the DB and web portal.

Membership Report – Ruth reported the Coalition office has assisted with organizing four CE classes, numerous grower workshops and one Self Certification NMP class. Sarah L. has continued outreach to growers through classes, workshops and individual appointments. Ruth and Wendy are assisting growers in completing the NMP SR packets and updating the DB with new information. NMP SR reports are due 4/1/19. Farm Evaluations will not be required this year, as the new WDR has a once every five year requirement for reporting.

Program Managers Report– (Please refer to the attached Program Managers Report) Richard N. reported that the next sampling date for sediment will occur 3/19/18. A detection of oxyfluor was found at Terminus Tract and Duck Creek. This is a new chemical that the RB added to our constituent list. The RB has not yet established a trigger limit for oxyfluor, a herbicide which is found in the product Goal 2XL. The February storm sampling occurred on 2/5/19. Algae toxicity occurred at five locations. Mike J. spoke about the Bio Stimulatory Program and discussion occurred. Mike J stated that the State Water Board understands that the valley areas will be unable to meet the proposed Bio Stimulatory Program trigger limits, and at this time it is unclear how they will handle the program.

Old Business – Mike W. reported that our WDR was adopted in February for our Coalition area. A pane will review the surface water program. Mike W. is on the steering committee to help select the experts that will sit on an Expert Panel which will review the surface water program of the WDR. The Expert Panel has to submit their findings to the RB in 12-18 months. CV Salts is currently reviewing the Prioritization & Optimization study to determine which waterways will be the first to be studied. Our fees to the CV Salts group will increase next year.

New Business – None.

Public Comments – None

Adjourn 10:26 a.m.

The next meeting of the SJCDWQC is scheduled for April 8, 2019, 9:00 a.m. at the San Joaquin Farm Bureau 3290 N. Ad Art Road, Stockton, CA.