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CACHE CREEK TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TAC) SUMMARY MINUTES

Monday, September 12, 2011 10:00 AM

County Administration Building, Atrium Training Room

625 Court Street, Woodland

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Eric Larsen at 10:02 AM

Roll Call: Eric Larsen (TAC Fluvial Geomorphologist)
Tim Horner (TAC Hydrologist)
Erik Ringelberg (TAC Riparian Biologist)

Staff: Cindy Tuttle, Victor Randall and Lanell Hoover

Consultant: Heidi Tschudin

Others: See attached sign-in sheet

2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

After an overview of the agenda by Dr. Larsen the agenda was approved.

3. INTRODUCTIONS

Individual introductions of meeting attendees were made. Ms. Tuttle introduced Vic Randall, Yolo County's new Natural Resources Program Coordinator and Lynnel Pollock introduced Chris Gardner from the Cache Creek Conservancy.

4. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

The minutes from the June 13, 2011 TAC meeting were adopted as submitted.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT

Bob Schneider from Tuleyome announced that they had received approval of a grant for \$1.4 million to be funded over the next three years.

6. FOLLOW UP ITEMS – The following items were noted:

Parking Lot:

1. Discussion on the use of RiverFLO-2D v HEC RAS is on hold
2. Vehicles left abandoned on flood plain (Submitted to RWQCB)
3. Barn structure falling into Cache Creek (Reynolds Property) (Submitted to RWQCB)

Action items:

1. Review Table 14 on page 94 of the CCIP and indicate in an email to Heidi Tschudin the status of the requirements by July 15 (Eric Larsen will follow up).
2. Follow up with YCFCWCD regarding setting meeting date to discuss water quality sampling and a turbidity gauge at Capay Dam (Meeting set for 9/15/11). A meeting is scheduled for 9/15 with USGS, DWR, and YCFCWCD to discuss additional potential partnering opportunities.
3. Investigate the Stockholm Institute WEAP model by month end. (Done)
4. Address posting signage regarding fishing due to mercury presence. (Staff is to contact California Fish and Game (CDFG) to determine what program they are currently implementing.)
5. Creek Walk summaries to Ms Tuttle by August 1, 2011. (Done)
6. The 2011 DRAFT Annual Report is due by October, 2011. (TAC)

7. STAFF UPDATES

7.1 Natural Resources Division

7.1.1 General Permit Update

Mr. Ringelberg reported that the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) has verified the Wetland Delineation. Staff and consultants will be meeting with the RWQCB on September 20, 2011 to begin the process to renew the 401 Water Quality Certification.

7.1.2 Watershed-wide Invasive Species Management Plan for Cache Creek

Ms. Tuttle noted that the WRA Technical Committee will be recommending approval to the WRA Board, for a \$35,000 grant for a Watershed Wide Invasive Weed Management Plan that will include the CCAP program area. The plan will help to direct future invasive weed management efforts.

7.1.3 Aerial Survey Update

Mr. Randall reported that the data from the aerial survey had been delivered this morning and would now undergo the analysis process.

At this time Ms. Tschudin and Ms. Tuttle announced that Lois Wolk's bill, SB133, had passed, extending the sunset date for recognition of the CCRMP as functionally equivalent to a Reclamation Plan for another 5 years – to 2017

7.2 Cache Creek Conservancy (CCC)

Lynnel Pollock announced a creek clean-up day on September 17th at the Nature Preserve, Putah Creek, and other sites; and they are looking for volunteers to help.

She also noted that they are applying for a grant from the Department of Conservation for riparian restoration, but won't know until June of 2012 if they will receive any funding.

CCC is working with the Sacramento Tree Foundation in planting trees on public land. Native trees and shrubs will be planted on the Nature Preserve. Yolo County is funding 3 SLEWS day events, 2 of them will be in conjunction with the Tree Foundation.

It was reported that spraying for tamarisk, ravenna grass, and arundo had been started.

7.3 Yolo County Resource Conservation District

There was no report.

7.4 Yolo County Flood Control and Water Conservation District

Max Stevenson reported that water delivery had tapered off since the tomato season had stopped, but since there was quite a bit of alfalfa, water may yet be needed. He added that the water storage is good and may carry over to next year.

He discussed the replacement of the Moore Siphon, and described the slip lining process that may be used.

7.5 Delta Tributaries Mercury Council Report

Erik Ringelberg reported on the quarterly TMDL meetings. They are very technical in nature but it is important for the CCAP program to track this work as it will most likely inform the Cache Creek TMDL review at the end of next year.

Ms. Pollock mentioned the Cache Creek Watershed Forum had been informed that the Colusa RCD had received approval of a planning grant for work on mercury on Bear Creek

8. REGULAR AGENDA

8.1 2010 Cache Creek Annual Status Report Presentation

8.1.1 Administration

Ms. Tuttle gave an overview of the administrative section of the draft 2010 Annual Status Report. She reported on the changes that occurred in 2010, including a refocus of the TAC and staff to the program's original mission and the re-establishment of partnerships through improved communications.

The County will accept comments from the public through September 16th before taking the Report to the Board of Supervisors.

8.1.2 Hydrology and Water Quality

Mr. Horner presented the outline of his report, covering concerns and recommendations. Comments were received and accepted.

8.1.3 Geomorphology and Channel Hydraulics

Mr. Larsen gave an overview of his report and received comments.

8.1.4 Vegetation and Wildlife

Mr. Ringelberg presented his report and received comments.

8.1.5 Executive Summary

Ms. Tuttle stated that the recommendations of the three TAC disciplines will be prioritized and integrated into the budget. She announced that the plan is to present the Report to the Board of Supervisors at the October 11 Board meeting.

8.2 Update on Status of Reports

8.2.1 2011 Creek Walk Report

The draft reports have been submitted.

8.2.2 2011 Annual Report

Draft reports for 2011 are due by October 15th.

8.3 Review of TAC member updates

This item was passed on.

9. NEXT MEETING Monday, October 10, 2011

9.1 Future Agenda Items

9.1.1 Presentation of 2011 Annual Report by TAC (December)

10. ADJOURNMENT

This meeting was adjourned at approximately 12:05 PM by Eric Larsen.

Respectfully submitted,

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