

Mokelumne Collaborative Group (MCG) Meeting #5 Summary

January 10, 2014

Organizations represented

Amador Water Agency	North San Joaquin Water Conservation District
Calaveras County	Restore the Delta
Calaveras County Water District	San Joaquin County
Calaveras Planning Coalition	San Joaquin County, Public Works
Calaveras Public Utility District	San Joaquin Farm Bureau
California Sportfishing Protection Alliance	Sierra Club, SF Bay Chapter
City of Lodi, Public Works	Stockton East Water District
Delta Fly Fishers, Inc.	Trout Unlimited
East Bay Municipal Utility District	Upper Mokelumne River Watershed Authority
Foothill Conservancy	Woodbridge Irrigation District
Jackson Valley Irrigation District	
MyValleySprings.com	

Key Decisions

- MCG membership: consideration for inclusion into the MCG will be extended until February, 2014.
 - Public Outreach Plan: considered approved, pending three edits.
 - Draft Portfolio and Assessment Criteria: projects will initially be screened by determining if they are feasible, beneficial, attainable, and compatible. They will then be assessed against the MCG-approved objectives to determine if an objective is met. At that point, project groupings will be determined.
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Action Items

- RMC: incorporate edits to Public Outreach Plan and post to public portion of the website.
 - RMC: solidify date and meeting location for the first Public Outreach meeting and send details to MCG.
 - All MCG members: submit remaining comments on Environmental Conditions TM to RMC by January 17, 2014.
 - RMC: update Project and Portfolio Assessment Criteria TM to incorporate suggestions.
 - RMC: create and send out worksheet for initial brainstorming of concepts to MCG.
 - All MCG members: fill out worksheet and return to RMC by January 31, 2014.
 - All MCG members: send comments on the draft Methodology TM to RMC by January 17, 2014.
 - RMC: Coordinate with Bob Center for resume and send out to MCG.
 - Brandon Nakagawa: compile materials for presentation at February meeting.
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Summary

I. December Meeting Summary and Brief Update

Meeting #4 (December 2013) summary was approved by consensus and will be posted onto the public portion of the website.

RMC provided an update on the Modeling Work Group and briefly summarized the last meeting which occurred on December 20th, 2013. A subsequent meeting will be held on January 13th, 2014.

II. Draft Public Outreach Plan

RMC highlighted the edits that were made to the Plan, specifically the edits made to the DAC Outreach Table. There were several other edits suggested including:

- Adding a footnote to the Outreach Activities Table indicating that the MCG is not necessarily responsible for performing the activities, but may initiate them if they desire.
- Removing the City of Lathrop and City of Manteca as Tier 2 Stakeholder representatives in the DAC Outreach Table.
- Updating a column header in the Appendices.

The Public Outreach Plan was considered approved, pending the three above-mentioned changes.

The first Public Outreach meeting will be held either February 4th, 5th, or 12th, with a preference for the first week. The meeting will run from 7-9 pm to allow for the general working public to attend. It was decided that the meeting should be held in the up-country as there may be more attendance than if the meeting is held in the Valley. Location suggestions were solicited and RMC will reach out to those locations to check availability for the suggested dates and to reserve space for the meeting. RMC will draft a press release and send it out to allow the MCG to distribute it to their networks.

III. Environmental Conditions Overview Update

RMC provided an update on the progress of the document, indicating that edits had been passed onto Balance Hydrologics and Chuck Hanson, but that the deadline for further comments is January 17th. The revised document will be ready for review in February, with MCG approval in February or March. The document will be expanded to include analysis of the portfolios in late spring or early summer.

IV. Revised Project and Portfolio Assessment Criteria TM

RMC provided an overview of how the screening was incorporated and how each of the screens were defined. There was some concern that the feasibility screen definition was too limited and should be expanded to include more than just technical feasibility. After some discussion, it was decided that the definition will remain, but with an understanding that the process will be iterative and that the purpose of this screen is to remove the really bad ideas.

It was suggested that the compatibility screen be expanded to not only include compatibility of other MCG members, but to also be sensitive to those outside the MCG. After some discussion, it was decided that RMC would re-word the definition to better capture the purpose of the screen. There were additional edits suggested, which RMC will incorporate into the document.

To begin brainstorming concepts, RMC will create and send out a worksheet for MCG members to fill out. The worksheet is due back to RMC by January 31st to allow for compilation prior to the February meeting.

V. Draft Water Availability Analysis Methodology

RMC provided an overview of the process and the methodology drafted for each of the supply types. There was extensive discussion about the methodology for each supply type with a number of suggested edits. These edits will be incorporated and a revised methodology presented at a subsequent meeting.

One additional peer-review candidate, Bob Center, was proposed, which precipitated the need for a revised schedule. There was a general consensus that diversity and breadth of experience among the two peer-reviewers is important. It was determined that Karen Johnson will be included as one of the peer-reviewers and that the second peer-reviewer will be determined at the February meeting and will either be Steve Macaulay or Bob Center. RMC will collect Mr. Center's resume and send it out to the MCG.