

# Mokelumne Collaborative Group (MCG) Meeting #16 Summary

December 12, 2014

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## Organizations represented

Amador Water Agency	Jackson Valley Irrigation District
Calaveras County	Lodi, City of
Calaveras County Water District	MyValleySprings.com
Calaveras Planning Coalition	Restore the Delta
Calaveras Public Utility District	San Joaquin County
California Sportfishing Protection Alliance	Sierra Club, SF Bay Chapter
Delta Fly Fishers, Inc.	Stockton, City of
East Bay Municipal Utility District	Woodbridge Irrigation District
Foothill Conservancy	

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## Key Decisions

- Water Availability Analysis (without the Mokelumne and Stormwater sections) was approved.
  - Update Stormwater section to remove qualifying text and include analysis on average single family potential stormwater use.
  - Update Environmental Assessment of Concepts to include both viewpoints.
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## Action Items

- RMC: send EBMUD Board update materials to the MCG.
  - RMC: update Stormwater and Mokelumne sections based on discussions at the meeting.
  - RMC: update Environmental Concept Assessment to include both viewpoints on revised concepts; send to MCG by December 15<sup>th</sup>
  - MCG: review Environmental Concept Assessment and provide comments by December 19<sup>th</sup>.
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- RMC: complete remaining concept assessments and send to MCG by Friday December 19<sup>th</sup>
  - MCC: review concept assessments and provide comments to RMC by Tuesday December 30<sup>th</sup>.
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## Summary

### I. November Meeting Summary and Brief Update

Meeting #15 (November 2014) summary was approved by consensus and will be posted onto the public portion of the website.

RMC provided an update on the Modeling Workgroup, including that the group has met and discussed preliminary modeling results for one of the concepts. The group will meet again in January to review more results.

Sierra Club volunteered to present at the February meeting. EBMUD offered to present on its reservoir operations if the write-up that is to be included in the Mokelumne section of the Water Availability Analysis is not sufficient. There was a strong interest among the MCG for this presentation and EBMUD agreed to internally discuss the possibility of a presentation.

The January 8<sup>th</sup> public meeting will be at the CCWD Boardroom. RMC will be preparing a flyer to distribute to MCG members. Additionally, a press release will be sent out prior to the meeting. Electeds are encouraged to attend if they are not able to attend the MCG meeting on the 9<sup>th</sup>. EBMUD has made available their presentation to the EBMUD Board that other entities can use a starting point to begin discussions with their respective Boards.

The MCG is to send in comments on the draft Resolution of Support letter. Comments are wanted now, but the document will be revisited in the spring when MokeWISE program outcomes are more formulated.

San Joaquin County provided a summary of the Settlement Agreement between the County and EBMUD. In a dry year, NSJWCD will get up to 6,000 AF when EBMUD's projected end of September (EOS) total system storage (TSS) is greater than 550 TAF and up to 3,000 AF when EOS TSS is greater than 525 TAF but less than 550 TAF. In wet years, NSJWCD will receive up to 8,000 AF.

RMC reviewed the MokeWISE process, including where the MCG is currently and the outcomes for the MokeWISE program. Additionally, RMC reviewed the schedule, including the major decision points for each of the remaining 7 months.

## **II. Water Availability Analysis – Non-Mokelumne Supply**

RMC presented an overview of the non-Mokelumne edits, including additions to the Groundwater and Other Surface Water sections. RMC summarized discussions held with Foothill Conservancy regarding the Conservation section, including that the expanded program levels of implementation were still not aggressive enough. In an effort to respond to these concerns, an additional level of conservation implementation has been added to the analysis in the Conservation section. This additional level assumes that each agency is able to achieve 85 gallons per capita per day (gpcd). It was made clear that this maximum theoretical level is not something that is being advocated for at this point, but that it is acting as a reference point to examine what is theoretically possible.

There were additional comments from Foothill Conservancy on the Stormwater section. These were discussed over lunch with RMC and a resolution presented to the MCG. There were no objectives to removing the discussion on the Camanche Area Regional Water Supply Plan (CARWSP) and the other qualifying language in the Potential Stormwater Programs section. In place of this, the section will include an analysis of the amount of potable water that an average single family home could offset with stormwater.

## **III. Water Availability Analysis – Mokelumne River Supply**

RMC presented an overview of the comments that were received and summarized the comments that had not yet been incorporated. It was explained that these comments would not affect the model output, but would address formatting and language. After some discussion, it was decided that more results should be moved to the appendices and that more explanation of the results should be included. Additionally, include a description of what each of the appendices are at the beginning of the Mokelumne section and at the beginning of each of the appendices.

The MCG approved the Water Availability Analysis (without the Mokelumne and Stormwater sections). These two sections will be revised and presented to the MCG in January. It is anticipated that the Mokelumne and Stormwater sections will be ready for final approval by February.

## **IV. Revised Environmental Assessment of Concepts**

RMC presented the changes to the environmental assessment of the concepts. There was a general concern that concept 7b (Raise Lower Bear) had been “green-washed” and that the edited concepts had originally presented one viewpoint, but now present another. It was ultimately decided that both viewpoints be included.

RMC will make these changes and send back out to the group by the end of the day on Monday December 15<sup>th</sup>. The MCG will have until Friday December 19<sup>th</sup> to provide comments. If no comments are received, then it will be assumed final.

## **V. Draft Assessment of Selected Concepts**

RMC reviewed the assessment approach, including the rating system and the justification of the rating. There was a comment that the concept summary page be re-formatted to include more abbreviated titles; this will help maximize space. RMC will send the remaining concept assessments and the assessments on the project groupings by Friday December 19<sup>th</sup>. MCG comments on the concept assessments are due back to RMC by December 30<sup>th</sup>.

RMC will prepare and send out a template that MCG members can use to document concerns about individual concepts. The MCG is to return it to RMC by January 2<sup>nd</sup>.

## **VI. Wrap-Up and Action Items**

At the next meeting, RMC will provide a 15 minute overview of MokeWISE for electeds and include a brief discussion of what will be expected of electeds at the end of the process.