# Minutes USGR Steering Committee May 9, 2006

## 9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Upper San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District

#### **Attendees:**

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Jane Bray Shirley Birosik Pat Malloy Marin Ray Randy Schoellerman Darin Kasamoto Terri Grant Claire Robinson Frank Kuo Jeff Helsey Chang Lee Belinda Faustino Grace Burgess Nancy Steele Mike Sovich Steve Johnson Carol Williams Nina Jazmadarian

## Introductions were provided.

Carol Williams began with a report on the leadership committee:

- 1. A schedule of the abbreviated Plan was provided.
- 2. A legislative subcommittee was created.
- 3. May 23<sup>rd</sup> has been established for reviewing the TMs at West Basin Municipal Water District. A time will be provided.

## Belinda Faustino provided a report on the Countywide Workshop:

- 1. The workshop had been light on water agency reps and DWR had noticed that there was not a good balance of representation.
- 2. The Website is now on-line. Frank Kuo mentioned that the short-form should be on the website tomorrow. Also, people encountered problems when they tried to download the long-form. He believes that the problem is with security settings on individual servers and not the county's since they have tried to download it outside of their server and not had a problem.
- 3. The Southern Region did not like the breakout exercise at the workshop and would have preferred a reality based exercise.

## A discussion arose about attendance at the workshop.

- 1. Many people are not aware what the difference is between the countywide and stakeholder workshops.
- 2. There are too many e-mails going out and people are no longer reading them.
- 3. There is no reason to go to both countywide and stakeholder workshops when they repeat. There should be something new at the countywide workshop to attract attendance.
- 4. A master calendar needs to be circulated with dates of the different meetings and the name of people to contact.

5. The website calendar is not as extensive as the master calendar. Right now it only shows meetings scheduled in May and not further out. It needs to have a hyperlink to the agendas for meetings.

There was discussion about the various forms and their deadlines. The short-form is due May 12 and projects submitted until that time will be included in the stakeholder workshops. You may continue to submit projects on the short-form through June 1 and those will be included in TMs that are submitted in June. You can also continue to submit projects through September 30 and those will be included as a list in the draft IRWMP. The long-form needs to be submitted by June 1 for selected projects.

A discussion of prioritizing projects was held and Carol Williams stated that the leadership committee had agreed to not prioritize projects. Furthermore, projects could be grouped differently depending on the funding that comes up in the future (e.g. although a project may not fit into the Prop 50 category, it may fit into federal funding initiatives).

It was asked that the short-form be revised because of a concern about the title project "sponsor". Rather than sponsor it should state project "proponent" instead since sponsor may stop people from submitting projects.

Discussion was held on whether it would be more efficient to have the steering group meet the same day as the stakeholder's workshop. The Steering Committee supported this and the schedule has changed. Key meeting dates and times are shown below:

May 24 – 1:30 - 4:30 USG&RHR Stakeholder Workshop – Garvey Community Center

May 24 - 4:30 - 5:00 USGR Steering Committee meeting - USGVMWD

June 6 – Steering Group postponed

June 14 – 12:00 -1:30 USGR&RHR Steering Committee - USGVMWD

June 14 - 1:30 - 4:30 USGR Stakeholders Workshop – Garvey Community Center

\*Note the consulting team is confirming the time change with the Garvey Community Center.