



**Date: April 13, 2010**

**9:30 AM – 12:00 PM**

**Location – Golden State Water Company**

**MEETING MINUTES - Regional Water Efficiency Program Advisory Committee**

<b>Meeting called by:</b>	RWEPAC Chair	<b>Type of meeting:</b>	Program Advisory Committee
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Call to Order at: 9:35 a.m.

<b>Introduction</b>	
Attendees	Linda Higgins, Rex Meurer, Joe Scherrer, Don Smith, Belinda Arthurs, Sharon Fraser, Keoki Spaeth, John Wingerter, Nick Stewart, Harley Lukenbill, Traci Goularte, Greg Bundesen, Chris Nelson, Beth Arnoldy, Julie Friedman, Gail Tauchus, Vicki Sacksteder, Barbara Leatham, John Turner, Charlie Pike (Charlie Pike & Associates), Loren Oki (UC Davis), Melanie Holton (Brown & Caldwell), Tom Noonan (EWING Irrigation), Sarah Foley (Water Forum), Mark Roberson (Water Forum), Dave Ceppos, Monica Garcia

<b>2.0 Minutes</b>	
Approve prior minutes	John Turner moved, with a second by Belinda, to approve the March 9, 2010 RWEPAC minutes.
Action Item Review	All action items were complete.

<b>3.0 Announcements</b>	
What's Hot	How has the recent economy affected your water agencies' water efficiency program?

<b>4.0 Presentation</b>	
Dr Loren Oki	Reducing Pesticide Laden Runoff from Urban Landscapes

<b>5.0 Program Manager's Report</b>	
Grant Opportunities	<p>In order to submit a competitive grant application, all grants require 20-50% cost share.</p> <p>USBR Water-Energy Grant application is due in 3 weeks. It focuses on outdoor efficiency, such as rotary nozzles, cash for grass, irrigation upgrades, etc. If you are interested in any outdoor efficiency or CII program and have funds set aside contact Linda or Rob. The Grant will need to be implemented September 2010 and runs until 2012.</p> <p>There is no stipulation for AB1420 at this time, however in the future funds will be subjected to AB1420.</p>

Grant Updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Prop 50 – Drought Assistance –Agreements are going out soon.</li> <li>• Prop 50 – Toilet Rebates– Additional funds needed for Admin costs. Agencies that received funds above their allotment will receive invoices.</li> </ul>
SRCS D Incentives	SRCS D will provide \$100,000 for rebates for the new fiscal year. Funds will be distributed in the same manner as last year.
Water Forum Update	AB1881 Model Landscape Working Group Update – John Kern is currently drafting the ordinance. A pilot workshop will be hosted by Water Forum, CUWCC and UC Davis on May 26, 2010 in Sacramento. Five or six additional workshops will be scheduled through UC Davis Extension.
2011 WEP Business Plan and Budget	A draft business plan will be available in June. Currently we do not allow time to evaluate the previous business plan; we will evaluate the success of the business plan within the next two months. A draft will be available in May, discussion will occur in June and Invoices will be sent out in July.

<b>8.0 Committee Reports</b>	
School Education	<p>We requested 25% increase in teacher participation; currently we need 60 additional sign-ups to meet that goal.</p> <p>Radio Disney will host a Rockin Row Green Show at the school with the most teacher sign-ups.</p>
Landscape	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Green Gardener Training – We have over 30 students, the majority are landscape professionals.</li> <li>• Graduation – We are planning a Green Gardener Graduation class, all of our previous graduates will be invited in addition to the press. Additional details will be distributed soon.</li> <li>• Delta Blue Grass Company has “new” water efficient native species. They are offering a tour of their ranch and will provide lunch on May 20, 2010. Please RSVP to Don Smith.</li> </ul>
Public Outreach	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Blue Thumb Campaign – each agency will receive a DVD</li> <li>• Home Depot, WaterSense Events</li> <li>• RWA, ACWA and River cats partnership</li> </ul> <p>A presentation was presented for all topics and will be distributed via email.</p>

<b>7.0 Announcements</b>	
CIMIS Calibration schedule	April: Citrus Heights Water District May: Carmichael Water District
Certified Landscape Irrigation Auditor exam	May 18, 2010, Sacramento at SSWD Antelope facility.
Get WET	May 1, 2010, American River Water Education Center, 7785 Folsom Auburn Road, Folsom

Adjourn at: 11:50 a.m.

Next meeting: May 11, 2010 – Elk Grove Water, 9257 Elk Grove Blvd. Elk Grove, CA 95624