



Date: July 23, 2024

9:30 AM – 12:30 PM

Location – City of Roseville
 Electric Building
 116 S. Grant Street
 Roseville, CA 95678

MEETING NOTES
Regional Water Efficiency Program Advisory Committee (RWEPEC)

Meeting called by:	Program Manager	Type of meeting:	Program Advisory Committee
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Call to Order at: 9:32 a.m.

1.0 Welcome and Introductions

Attendees	Amy Talbot, Karen Wilhelm, Robert Good, Jace Nunes, Lucy Silva, Chris Nelson, Bobby Alvarez, Ryan Burnett, Travis Franklin, Linda Higgins, Dan Gwaltney, Greg Bundesen, Justin Black, Ken Kirkland, Jared Clark, Danielle Pastore, Bobby Pajer, Greg Norris, Jacob Ingle, Lance Eicher, Lakshmi Jayaprakashl (Sac Sewer), Cheryl Buckwalter (Landscape Liaisons), Elise Shtayyeh (Solano County Water Agency), Bruno Pitton (UCCE Placer/Nevada), Joanna Solis (UCCE Sacramento), Lisa Maddaus (Maddaus Water Management), Monica Garcia
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2.0 Meeting Notes	The May 14, 2024 notes were approved and will be posted online.
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3.0 Host Presentation	City of Roseville Presentation by Justin Black and Bobby Alvarez.
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4.0 Satellite Water Loss Detection Program Discussion

Satellite leak detection services can be a good way to learn about your service area. San Juan Water District and city of Roseville have piloted satellite services with mixed results on finding leaks and costs versus traditional acoustic services.

A key to a successful leak detection program is building working relationships with other departments within the agency and being inclusive in the solutions. When applying for grant funding, RWA should include funding for staff to fix leaks so as not to overburden existing agency staff.

Agencies are interested in a Regional Acoustic Leak Detection Program and a separate committee will be formed of interested parties to move forward. The City of Sacramento, City of West Sacramento, City of Folsom, City of Lincoln, Placer County Water Agency, Sacramento Suburban Water Agency, Sacramento County Water Agency, and Elk Grove Water District are interested.

5.0 Conservation Regulation Update

The Conservation Regulation was adopted and has an effective date of January 1, 2025. RWA is working with CalWEP for the creation of RFP templates to help with implementation support. Next step for the WEP program is focusing on the CII requirements.

7.0 Program Updates

CII Workshop Summary and Evaluation	Amy provided an overview of the workshop and next step recommendations. Agencies expressed a need for 1) regional education videos such as “How to” explanation of the new regulation for customers; 2) a regional definition of nonfunctional turf; 3) and a workshop or presentations for landscapers explaining the new regulations.
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Nimbus Fish Hatchery Landscape Opportunity	The Nimbus Fish Hatchery has approached the WEP with a desire to improve their riparian landscaping with California natives. It was recommended they apply for funding through the American River Parkway Foundation, American Water Charitable Foundation, and Confluence Regional Partnership Program (a SacSewer Program).
Tree Rebates	<p>Agencies in our region do not have a stand-alone tree rebate program. They do, however, include trees as eligible replacement in turf removal programs.</p> <p>A few agencies have proposed a tree rebate program but received hesitation due to perceived increase in water use.</p> <p>Sacramento Tree Foundation has 5 gallon drilled buckets with watering instructions available for distribution. Contact Amy if you are interested in receiving buckets.</p>
Summer Strong Campaign	The campaign is successfully up and running. There were 50 entries in the contest resulting in 7 billboard winners. Mulch Mayhem is still the most popular Facebook post. A new photo gallery is available in the toolkit. The Norcal/WEP PSA video is currently running on two tv stations and is very popular. The PSA video is being translated into Spanish and will air on additional Spanish tv stations. The brewery partnership will be discussed at the next meeting.

8.0 Rainplan Presentation by Caitlin Lombardi

9.0 Agency Announcements

Meeting Dates / Locations	
Date	Host
September 10, 2024	City of West Sacramento
November 12, 2024	Placer County Water Agency

Meeting Adjourned at 12:30 p.m.