



Date: July 7, 2025

9:30 AM – 12:30 PM

Location – Loomis Library & Community Learning Center  
6050 Library Drive  
Loomis, Ca 95650

**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: 9:30 a.m.

**1.0 Welcome and Introductions**

Attendees	Amy Talbot, Lance Eicher, Dan Gwaltney, Maureen Coulson, Bobby Pajer, Raisa Ahmed, Trais Franklin, Justin Black, Lucy Silva, Mary Lehman, Lon Snegosky Linda Higgins, Matt Young, Greg Bundesen, Danielle Pastore, Cheryl Buckwalter, Jaimie Robertson, Dave Fujino (Retired UC Davis), Bruno Pitton (UCCE Placer), and Joanna Solis (UCCE Sacramento)
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<b>2.0 Meeting Notes</b>	The May 13, 2025 notes were approved and will be posted online.
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<b>3.0 Host Presentation</b>	Matt Young and Linda Higgins presented an overview of PCWA’s water supply, infrastructure, metering and water efficiency programs. There will be a tour of UC Master Gardeners of Placer County Demonstration Garden at the Library after the RWEPEC meeting, which was completed in partnership with PCWA. For more information: <a href="https://ucanr.edu/site/uc-master-gardeners-placer-county/demonstration-garden">https://ucanr.edu/site/uc-master-gardeners-placer-county/demonstration-garden</a>
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**4.0 Talk Data to Me!**

Amy presented precipitation and temperature data from our historical CIMIS station in Fairs Oaks to our new station at Wildhawk Golf Club in Elk Grove. There were variety differences between the stations but there were also some commonalities like the registration of irrigation water as precipitation in June. Amy will connect with DWR staff to fix these errors as this weather data will be used to calculate outdoor water budgets for suppliers as part of the conservation regulation.

Amy led a discussion on the Regional Water Savings Analysis Project, which would use supplier customer meter data to estimate water savings from common efficiency programs like direct installation, controller installation, and turf replacement programs. It was recommended that the study also includes water wise house calls and customer leak repair program. All submitted customer data will not include customer identifying information. Amy will work on developing a spreadsheet template to collect the data with the goal of collecting data this summer and fall. UCCE has volunteered to help analysis the customer data for water savings.

Dave Fujino, retired UC Davis, provided a brief update on the Water Use Classification of Landscape Species (WUCOLS) project he has been managing with DWR over the last several years. Please direct WUCOLS content and administrative inquires to Haven Kiers (ahkiers@ucdavis.edu). WUCOLS database is hosted by the College of Agricultural & Environmental Sciences, UC Davis.

<b>5.0 Tree Research: Cooling Benefits of Climate-Ready Trees</b>	
	Joanna Solins, UCCE, presented on her research comparing commonly planted and climate ready trees and their performance in terms of surrounding air temperature, ground source temperature and heat stress. The study gathered information about both types of trees including crown density and leaf area. Please contact Joanna at <a href="mailto:jsolins@ucanr.edu">jsolins@ucanr.edu</a> for more information.

<b>6.0 Program Updates</b>	
Public Outreach	RWA has completed its Request for Proposals process for a communications and water efficiency program consultant. We received 6 proposals, and the review committee selected In Communications. Amy talked about the July newsletter article and social media and gave an update about the new website project, which will hopefully be launched in September 2025.
NFT Update and Guidance Document	Amy provided an update on the nonfunctional turf initiative including the NFT website, flyer, graphics, photo gallery and her presentation about the new law to the RWA General Managers/Utilities Managers Meeting at PCWA. The supplier NFT guidance document is in its final round of revisions and will be distributed to water efficiency and general managers in mid-July. RWA is coordinating with CalWEP and MWD on their NFT to make sure we are consistently message about NFT statewide.
Trainings	<p>There is an IAPMO CII Auditor Training in September. The cost is \$1,499 per person and includes a completion certificate. Register here: <a href="https://www.iapmolearn.org/topclass/searchCatalog.do?catId=4037250">https://www.iapmolearn.org/topclass/searchCatalog.do?catId=4037250</a></p> <p>There is interest in RWA continuing to host a QWEL training in October. Amy will work on budgeting for the training, however, the cost per person will need to increase to account for the QWEL Program overhead increases and WEP budget issues. We have some class placeholder dates in October for now. More on this to come.</p>
Upcoming Project/meeting topics and ideas	This topic was moved to the September meeting.

<b>8.0 Agency Announcements</b>	
No announcements.	
<b>Date</b>	<b>Host</b>
March 11, 2025	Sacramento Suburban Water District
May 13, 2025	City of Roseville
July 8, 2025	Placer County Water Agency
September 9, 2025	City of Lincoln
November 18, 2025	Requesting space at the MOSAC in Sacramento.
December 9, 2025	The Old Spaghetti Factory, Rancho Cordova, CA
January 13, 2026	NEED A HOST

Meeting Adjourned at 12:45 p.m.