



Ventura River Watershed Council Meeting

Thursday, July 11, 2013

9:00 – 11:30 am

E.P. Foster Library Topping Room, 651 E. Main St., Ventura
(Free parking behind library off of Chestnut St.)

Facilitated by Lorraine Walter, Ventura River Watershed Coordinator

Agenda

#		Topic and Discussion Leader	Desired Outcome/Description
		Council Meeting	
1	9:00-9:15	Opening remarks, introductions, agenda review	Welcome; review purpose of meeting; introductions; make additions, deletions, or changes to agenda.
		Brief announcements, updates & comments	A quick roundtable for public comments and reporting on items not on the agenda.
2	9:15-9:30	Biodigester Study Final Report <i>Gerard Kapuscik, Ventura County Watershed Protection District</i> <i>Ryan Gallagher, AECOM</i>	Report on the findings of the Proposition 84 grant-funded Biodigester Feasibility Study, which assessed the operational and financial feasibility of establishing a facility in the watershed for processing organic wastes, including manure, into energy and other byproducts, such as compost.
3	9:30-9:45	WEAP Model <i>Bill O'Brien, NexGen Engineering</i>	Report on the recent WEAP Model training and next steps. (Agenda item carried over from June meeting.)
4	9:45-10:00	Watersheds Coalition of Ventura County <i>Lynn Rodriguez, WCVV Program Manager</i>	Report on the update of the Ventura County Integrated Regional Water Plan, and other efforts of the Watersheds Coalition of Ventura County.
5	10:00-10:15	State Water Board's Development of Biological Objectives <i>Diana Engle, Larry Walker & Associates</i>	The State Water Board is wrapping up the technical phase of its process for developing biological objectives for freshwater streams and rivers and is entering the policy phase. The Board is exploring several options for implementing biological objectives, which have different regulatory implications. The status of the overall process and initial proposals for implementation will be briefly summarized.
6	10:15-10:40	City of Ventura's 2013 Comprehensive Water Resources Report <i>Susan Rungren & Karen Waln, Ventura Water</i>	An overview of the recent report developed by Ventura Water intended to be a tool in the development review process for accurately tracking and assessing water supply and demand.
7	10:40-10:55	Horse & Livestock Watershed Alliance <i>Marty Melvin, Ventura County Resource Conservation District</i>	Report on a new group formed in the watershed to address water quality regulations that will be affecting horse and livestock owners in the watershed.

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8	10:55- 11:15	Watershed Management Plan - Tier 2 Projects	The Tier 2 category of proposed projects and programs was originally created as a way to document ideas not yet ready for Tier 1—because they lack support, their benefit is unclear or they are otherwise not yet “ripe.” Discuss the appropriateness of limiting project/program ideas (such as the Beaver Reintroduction Study) from this list.
9	11:15- 11:30	Council Meeting Schedule	Discuss Dale Zurawski’s request that the full Council meet every month.

Next Watershed Council meeting: Thursday, September 5, 9:00 am – 12:00 pm.

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Acronyms

IRWMP.... Integrated Regional Watershed Management Program

MWD Municipal Water District

RCD Resource Conservation District

RWQCB ... Regional Water Quality Control Board

TMDL Total Maximum Daily Load

VRWC..... Ventura River Watershed Council

WCVC..... Watersheds Coalition of Ventura County

WEAP..... Water Evaluation and Planning System

WPD..... Watershed Protection District