

Bay-Delta Public Advisory Committee
Subcommittee on Drinking Water
Draft Minutes
Meeting of March 28, 2003

The Drinking Water Subcommittee met on March 28, 2003 (meeting agenda attached). Focus of the meeting was on Bay Area Issues

Agenda

The order of agenda items 3, 5, and 6 was changed to accommodate presenters.

Meeting notes of 2/28/03

Karen Schwinn did not feel that notes accurately reflected the NGT discussion and will submit suggested revisions. Otherwise notes were accepted without further comment.

Business items

Greg Gartrell gave a brief presentation of highlights from the 3/25/03 BDPAC meeting in Chico. Processes for developing and presenting subcommittee recommendations were proposed. California Bay-Delta Authority (CBDA) staff also discussed CALFED-CBDA transition plans and a schedule for annual deliverables.

Sam Harader discussed CBDA business items. Sam will be the Interim Program Manager until a decision on staffing for the DWQP is reached. An outline of the Multi-year work plan, Year 4 work plan, and detailed background information on ROD commitments/program actions was distributed. The draft work plans will be presented in detail at the next DWS meeting.

Bay Area Water Quality and Supply Reliability Project

Cindy Darling, CBDA, gave a presentation on the objectives, tasks, schedule, status, and challenges of the BAWQSRP. The subcommittee and others commented. Integration with other regions and programs was identified as an issue. (Copies available)

Los Vaqueros Reservoir Expansion Studies

Marguerite Naillon, Contra Costa Water District, gave a presentation on alternatives under consideration for expansion of Los Vaqueros Reservoir. Leading alternatives will have environmental, drinking water quality, and supply benefits. (Copies available)

San Luis Low Point Project

Kurt Arends, Santa Clara Valley Water District, gave a presentation on the water quality problems encountered when storage in San Luis Reservoir falls to levels near the lower intake for the San Felipe Unit. Algae blooms are the primary problem. There have been many different alternatives proposed to address the problem.

Nominal Group Technique

Karen Schwinn proposed a single question for the Workshop. It was decided that the question will be modified slightly to focus more on implementation in the ELPH conceptual framework. NGT workshop is proposed for July 18-20, 2003 at Cal Poly Pomona. Types of expertise desired for the NGT work group were proposed. The DWS, agencies, and interested parties were encouraged to suggest names to Karen Schwinn (schwinn.karen@epa.gov).

Action Item

- *Karen Schwinn will modify the question as suggested by the group.*
- *Karen will work with NWRI to go ahead with the NGT workshop as planned.*

Drinking Water Policy Framework

Discussion of the policy framework was moved to the 4/25 DWS meeting and will be discussed as part of the joint meeting with the Ecosystem and Supply subcommittees.

Expert Panels

Kim Taylor, CBDA Science Program, gave a presentation on the types and roles of expert panels in the CALFED program. The DWQP should establish an expert panel and work with the DWS to create the charge (management questions) for the panel. Kim's PowerPoint presentation will be distributed to the DWS after the meeting.

Public comments/issues

Representative of a water treatment company commented on availability of technology that removes a wide range of contaminants from water and wastewater.

Next Meeting

April 25, 2003
9:00 AM – 12 noon
SWRCB Sacramento

Agenda for April 25, 2003

- CALFED Drinking Water Quality Program Work Plan
- Joint Meeting with Ecosystem Restoration and Storage Subcommittees

Attendees for DWS Meeting 03-28-03

The following subcommittee members attended the meeting:

1. Greg Gartrell
2. W. Michael Hanemann
3. Robert Neufeld
4. Pankaj Parekh
5. Tim Quinn
6. Michael Stanley-Jones
7. David Tompkins
8. Walt Wadlow
9. Kevin Wattier
10. Leah Wills
11. Marguerite Young
12. Tom Zuckerman

Other meeting participants:

13. Kurt Arends
14. Elizabeth Borowiec
15. Dave Brent
16. Brian Campbell
17. Bob Ellis
18. Paul Gilbert-Snyder
19. Sam Harader
20. Lisa Holm
21. S. Khasimuddin
22. James Kuykendall
23. Ron Linsky
24. Julia Maclay
25. Lee Mao
26. Michelle McGraw
27. Mario Menesini
28. Marguerite Naillon
29. Christopher Reeves
30. Patricia Roberson
31. Spreck Rosekranz
32. Karen Schwinn
33. K. T. Shum
34. Lynda Smith
35. Alan Solbert
36. Kim Taylor
37. Craig Von Baron
38. Phil Wendt