

# Antelope Valley Integrated Regional Water Management

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**Subject:** Stakeholder Meeting

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**Date/Time:** Wednesday, November 01, 2017 | 9:30 am – 11:30 am

**Location:** City of Palmdale – Larry Chimbole Cultural Center  
38350 Sierra Hwy, Palmdale CA 93550

**Attendees:** Kirk Allen, Tom Barnes, Monisha Brown, Richard Campbell, James Chaisson, Vanessa De Anda, Brian Dietrick, Peggy Fuller, Bruce Katz, Yvonne Malikowski, Jeff Hogan, Gabe Nevarez, Jose Ojeda, James Riley, Tiffany Steinert, Tommy Ta, Mary Wood

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## Meeting Notes

### A. Welcome and Introductions

- a. The Antelope Valley Integrated Regional Management (IRWM) Stakeholder Meeting was opened and led by Kirk Allen from the Los Angeles County Department of Public Works.

### B. 2007 MOU Amendments

- a. The County Legal Counsel reviewed the draft Amendment to 2007 MOU that considers upcoming regional expenditures.
- b. Kirk sent out the draft Amendment to 2007 MOU to the RWMG agencies but has not received any comments. RWMG agencies should submit all comments to Kirk by email by the end of November to allow 8 weeks for County Board of Supervisors approval.
  - i. Kirk will send out a reminder email to all RWMG agencies soliciting comments for the draft MOU.
- c. A final draft of the MOU is expected by early 2018; a meeting may be scheduled with RWMG at that time.

### C. Review and Update Advisory Team

- a. The following A-Team seats were reviewed and updated.
  - i. Agriculture – Vacant; Kirk to check with Gene Nebeker
  - ii. Conservation, Environmental, and Water Quality – Rich Campbell
  - iii. Industry and Commerce – Zachary Ahinga, Mark Beuhler (stand-in)
  - iv. Municipality – Bruce Katz (stand-in), still need primary
  - v. Mutual Water Companies – Mary Wood
  - vi. Public, Land Owners, Rural Town Councils – Bob Large (Kirk to confirm)
  - vii. Urban Water Suppliers – Kirk Allen, Jim Riley (stand-in)

### D. Consultant Contract

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- a. Woodard & Curran will provide a “basic” update to bring the AV IRWMP in compliance with the IRWM 2016 Plan Standards and make the Region eligible for Prop 1 funding.
  - b. The initial contract for the “basic” AV IRWM Plan update is for \$45,000. The City of Palmdale has agreed to front these expenditures and they will be reimbursed after the MOU is finalized.
  - c. The draft Proposal Solicitation Package for Prop 1 grants is expected in Spring 2018 and applications will be due Fall 2018.
- E. Project Review and Solicitation
- a. Project solicitations can be submitted electronically via [www.avwaterplan.org](http://www.avwaterplan.org).
    - i. Projects may also be submitted to Kirk by email, though electronic submittal is preferred.
  - b. As of today’s date, no new projects have been updated or submitted. The goal is to update the project list by the end of 2017.
  - c. “Shovel-ready” projects are good candidates for implementation.
  - d. Project submittals are expected from the Antelope Valley Resource Conservation District, City of Lancaster, and Little Rock Creek Irrigation District. The Region also expects there may be projects related to water management, with respect to cannabis cultivation.
- F. IRWM Plan Updates
- a. The following are topics that will be updated in the AV IRWM Plan to comply with the IRWM 2016 Plan Standards.
    - i. Region Description: Address water quality conditions in the Region
    - ii. Plan Objectives: Incorporate new objective requirements
    - iii. Resources Management Strategies (RMS): Incorporate new RMS from 2013 CA Water Plan
    - iv. Project Review Process: Update existing project list
    - v. Plan Performance and Monitoring: Contains policies and procedures that promote adaptive management
    - vi. Local Water Planning: Include adaptive management
      1. A Stormwater Resources Plan is required for stormwater and dry weather runoff capture projects
    - vii. Local Land Use Planning: Demonstrate collaboration with local planning agencies
    - viii. Climate Change: Address priority vulnerabilities and required adaptation
- G. Other Comments
- a. Agencies and stakeholders need to update their contact information in e-Notify to receive emails regarding upcoming stakeholder meetings.
  - b. CASGEM cost-sharing agreement was reviewed by AVSWCA last Thursday and will be brought to the Antelope Valley Watermaster at the next meeting in November

## Action Items

Group	Task
Stakeholders	Update e-Notify contact information to receive emails
	Update and submit projects by end of Dec. 2017
Kirk Allen	Send reminder to RWMG agencies soliciting comments for the MOU update
RWMG Agencies	Submit comments to Kirk for the draft Amendment to 2007 MOU by end of Nov. 2017
Woodard & Curran	Initiate AV IRWM Plan update

- Next meeting: Wednesday January 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2018 from 9:30 – 11:30 am. Location is yet to be determined (likely City of Palmdale).