

**NBWA**  
**Watershed Council Meeting Summary**  
**October 9, 2012 – 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.**  
**Novato Sanitary District**  
**500 Davidson Street**  
**Novato, CA 94945**

**I. Introductions.**

Introductions began at 4:05 p.m. and Harry Seraydarian, NBWA Executive Director, reviewed the agenda.

Announcements:

- Thursday, Oct. 11 at 3:00 p.m. – event at Novato Sanitary – dedication of the new recycling facility.

**II. BAIRWMP Update/North Bay Sub-Region.** Harry used a PowerPoint presentation to provide an update on the Bay Area IRWMP: [www.bairwmp.org](http://www.bairwmp.org). Harry first presented the projects submitted for the 2013 Plan Update – approximately 314 projects are now on the active list for the entire Bay Area which includes: 28 regional projects (2 or more sub-regions); North Bay (Marin, Napa, Sonoma and Solano Counties) 79 projects; East Bay (Alameda, Contra Costa) 166 projects; West Bay (San Mateo and City and County of San Francisco) 30 projects; and South Bay, which had the least number of projects at 15. Harry referred to a handout that summarized all the North Bay projects, title lead, and funding amount, if identified (project details can be found at: <http://bairwmp.org/projects/queries/north-subregion-projects>). The North Bay includes 18 of the regional projects; 5 multi-county; Marin – 43; Napa – 14; Solano – 11; and Sonoma – 6. Harry walked through all the North Bay projects and estimated the total cost for all projects in the North Bay to be \$700 million. Harry then explained the project ranking process: <http://bairwmp.org/content/submitting-a-project-to-the-bay-area-irwmp> (Click on Project Scoring and Ranking Methodology). Harry presented the screening criteria and noted that 4 Solano projects were moved from the active list to the master list. He then laid out the next steps: projects will be scored and ranked by consultant-KJ, then reviewed by the Project Screening Committee and presented at the October 22 Coordinating Committee. Harry explained the scoring criteria and the categories. Harry then moved on to the next round of implementation grants for Prop 84 and 1-E: [http://www.water.ca.gov/irwm/docs/ImplementationGrants/Imp\\_PSP\\_Round2\\_2012\\_DRAFT.pdf](http://www.water.ca.gov/irwm/docs/ImplementationGrants/Imp_PSP_Round2_2012_DRAFT.pdf) Applications for Proposition 84 funds are due mid-March of 2013. Harry laid out the tentative schedule for Round 2 of Prop 84: Lead Applicant identified: San Francisco Estuary Partnership (SFEP); October-November: Request additional information from project proponents interested in being considered for grant proposal; November: Develop recommendations on approach to next grant proposal; November-January: Carry out prioritization process for projects to include in proposal. Formulate recommendations for Coordinating Committee; January: Decide composition of grant proposal after PSC review – (regional, sub-regional, functional area emphasis, etc.). Harry also noted that in parallel, SFEP is procuring a consultant to develop the application and developing a draft cost-sharing agreement. Harry emphasized that the Bay Area maximum is \$20.086 million and noted there will be a Round 3 for the remainder of about \$74 million and a possibility of new bond funding in 2014. Harry presented some factors for project proponents to consider for an implementation grant: ranking of project; timing of project (implemented in the next 3 years); match available of 25% or greater; cost of project compared to available funds; ability to complete Benefit/Cost Analysis, and ability to contribute to consultant costs. Harry noted that \$20 million sounds like a lot of funding but the North Bay would only get \$5 million if all the money was allocated for sub-region projects and we ignored grant administration costs. Harry gave a breakdown of what the counties could expect their allocation to be at the \$5 million level using the same formula the Bay Area uses for subregions: Marin = \$1.435m; Napa = \$1.175m; Solano = \$1.355m; and Sonoma = \$1.035m. Harry then shifted to Benefit/Cost Analysis requirements for Round 2. Harry provided some detail on the background of the Cost/Benefit Analysis from the 2010 application process and then compared that to the changes in the draft 2012 guidelines. Harry noted that though DWR is indicating more flexibility in including non-monetized benefits in the analysis they will penalize

applicants if they could have monetized and did not. Harry then described the ECONorthwest proposal that NBWA just approved to help applicants with Benefit/Cost Analysis. The draft handbook should be available in November. Harry summarized 1-E Funding for Stormwater Flood Management. Projects must be: designed to manage stormwater runoff to reduce flood damages; multi-benefit, and in the IRWMP. \$92 million will be available in statewide competition with the maximum grant amount at \$30m, match at 50%, applications are due by mid-January, 2013. [http://www.water.ca.gov/irwm/integregio\\_stormwaterflood.cfm](http://www.water.ca.gov/irwm/integregio_stormwaterflood.cfm). Questions from the group were: When will the project screening process begin for Round 2? (In the next few months the Project Screening Committee will consider options and make recommendations to the Coordinating Committee.) How will the final list of projects for Round 2 be organized? (Coordinating Committee will need to make policy decisions on Round 2 submittal.) Haven't we been through this exercise before? (Yes, in Round 1 but we did not include sub-regional projects.) Is it a good idea to submit a portion of a large project now for Round 2 or wait until there is more funding? (Have to consider the amount of effort that will go into the submission, especially if paying a consultant to help with Benefit/Cost Analysis.) Isn't there a mixed message to first emphasize collaboration (regional and integrated) which leads to larger projects and now to suggest paring down your project due to funding limitations? (Yes, and that is the difference between the plan update and the realities of grant funding. We are still better off than other funding regions that have to compete for funds and may not get funded at all.)

**III. BAIRWMP – North Bay Project Dialogue.** The participants split up into groups by County and discussed collaboration on projects and funding opportunities.

**IV. Wrap Up.**

- Will hold another Watershed Council Meeting in 2<sup>nd</sup> week of December 2012 focused on BAIRWMP and funding.
- Sonoma County break out projects group will meet in Sonoma on November 14, 2012 – TBA.

Meeting adjourned at 5:55 p.m.

Participants:

|  |  |
|--|--|
| Kevin Booker – Sonoma County Water Agency<br>Bob Bundy – Corte Madera Flood Board<br>Chris Choo – Marin County, Dept. of Public Works<br>Megan Clark – Las Gallinas Valley Sanitary District<br>Caitlin Cornwall – Sonoma Ecology Center<br>Paul Curfman – ESA PWA<br>Chris DeGabriele – North Marin Water District<br>Carlos Diaz – ESA PWA<br>Stephanie Faulkner – Napa County RCD<br>Amber Faur – Daily Acts<br>Dr. R. Warren Flint – Five E’s Unlimited<br>Lisa Godfrey – CA Land Stewardship Institute<br>Fish Friendly Farming/Napa Green<br>Thomasin Grim – Marin Municipal Water District<br>Debby Hight – City of St. Helena<br>Derek Hitchcock – CA Land Stewardship Institute<br>Fish Friendly Farming/Napa Green | Rainer Hoenicke – SFEI<br>Joan Hultberg – Sonoma County Water Agency<br>Beverly James – Novato Sanitary District<br>Sue Lattanzio – Friends of Novato Creek<br>Chris Malan – Napa County RCD<br>Carl Morrison – Morrison & Associates, Inc.<br>Andy Rodgers – Petaluma Chamber of Commerce<br>Laurette Rogers – PRBO<br>Barbara Salzman – Marin Audubon Society<br>Tito Sasaki – North Bay Agricultural Alliance<br>Judy Schriebman – Las Gallinas Valley Sanitary District<br>Gretchen Schubeck – Bay Friendly Coalition<br>Leigh Sharp – Napa County RCD<br>Susan Stompe – Marin Conservation League<br>Mike Swezy – Marin Municipal Water District<br>Jeff Tucker – Napa Sanitation District<br>Harry Seraydarian – NBWA Executive Director<br>Elizabeth Preim-Rohtla – Assistant to Executive Director |
|--|--|