

San Joaquin River Dissolved Oxygen TMDL Executive Committee Agenda - DRAFT 2 December 1, 2003 (8:30-10:30 am)

Conference call in number: 916-373-7476

Conference Call Meeting Objectives

1. Finalize meeting objectives and agenda for December 12 Steering Committee meeting.
2. Review who will do what before the meeting.
3. Review proposal to develop draft list of interest, goals and strategic options for stakeholders to add to and select as their priorities on December 12.

Objectives for December 12 Steering Committee - Draft 2

A. Roles of Steering Committee, TAC and others

1. From Oct. meeting *“The Steering Committee will persist as an entity. It will not limit itself to role as originally defined by the RWQCB goals .”* Review draft mission, goals, strategies and major objectives of the different stakeholders and Steering Committee. Which do each group support and which are their priorities. Which do all stakeholders support? In 1999, the Steering Committee prioritized a list of goals. The list and priority goal “vote” is at

http://www.sjrtmdl.org/strategy/goals/draft_goal_99-00.html

2. From Oct. meeting *“Decision-making methodologies have not been formally defined in either group (TAC and SC).”* Should we wait to define goals and strategies of the stakeholders and the Steering Committee before determining how the group will set membership and make decisions?

3 From Oct. meeting. *“Steering Committee most likely does not fulfill the role of a “duly authorized” entity as defined by Prop 13 and interpreted by CBDA. The BDPAC groups within CBDA fulfill that role. It was decided that the SC will investigate the possibility of formalizing the relationship with the ERP BDPAC. Lowell will ask to speak for a few minutes at the next BDPAC meeting on this topic. Lowell has forwarded a draft letter (available on the website) to Dan Castleberry to introduce the concept.”* Update on the above

B. Work Assignments, Role of Stakeholders and Next Steps

1. Update on these items from October notes

#4 (Facilitation, Website, Outreach) –Review proposal for purpose and content for Fact Sheet and initial Newsletter. Review proposal for website goals, strategies and objectives.

#5 (Aeration Framework) –Review steps that will be taken after TAC completes second review at its Dec. 12 afternoon meeting .

#6 (Implementation Plan Timeline and Strategy) – Update and next steps.

#7 (Non-aeration Framework) – Update what TAC will review and the next steps in determining a non-aeration feasibility study plan.

#17 (Aeration Feasibility Study) – approved but funding is still pending

#19 (Technical Support) – approved but funding is still pending

2. When will more funding need to be secured to keep the process running without further delays as occurred this last summer.

B. Upstream Studies –

1. Update. What were the ramifications of DeltaKeepers critique of the proposal? Review the timeline and tasks that need to be completed before monitoring and research can begin. Is there anything that stakeholders can do to help move the process forward and efficiently as possible?
2. Update on Hydroqual funding and contract. Might its further delay impact any Work Assignment and 1-2 year timelines?

D. Structure and goals through long-term implementation plan –

1. From October meeting. *“Tabled for further discussion and WA#6 strategies advance.”* Status update and scheduling of appropriate meetings.

E. 2004 Basin Plan Amendment

1. Update on Scoping Meeting and Public Workshop on December 10. Next steps.
2. Is there anything that the Steering Committee or TAC should be doing to help ensure that the RWQCB makes a good decision in June 2004 on the Basin Plan Amendment?

F. South Delta Improvement Project

1. Update on Draft EIR/S. Next steps.
2. Should the Steering Committee take a position on any aspect of the EIR/S?

G. Other Napa Agreement components

1. OCAP, Environmental Water Account, off-stream storage, water transfers etc. Should the Steering Committee schedule overviews and discussion on how any of these might affect DO issues and implementation options.

H. Update on transfer of jet aerator from the Army Corps to the Port of Stockton.

1. Will the jet aerator be able to operate this winter to help with any low DO situation?
2. Update on West Basin EIS/R and the proposal to use the jet aerator to significantly increase its oxygen aeration output.