

San Joaquin River Dissolved Oxygen TMDL Steering Committee Meeting Agenda

January 30, 2003 9 am - 12:30 pm

Location: Neumiller and Beardsley office (on behalf of the Port of Stockton)
509 West Weber, 5th floor (next to the Waterfront Warehouse), Stockton
See map on website at http://www.sjrtdml.org/upcoming_meet/index.html

Meeting Objectives:

1. RWQCB Review of the Steering Committee's Phase I Implementation Plan

- a. A fourth draft of Lowell's cover letter to the Regional Board will be circulated a few days before the meeting. The supporting materials are linked at: http://www.sjrtdml.org/regulations/rwqcb_march_2003/index.htm. At the January 30 meeting, we will finalize the letter and accompanying material.
- b. Update on timeline of steps that will occur between now and the Regional Board meeting including process for gaining a letter of support from CALFED.
- c. Update on when the Steering Committee will be able to review the RB staff's proposed load allocation.

2. Planning and Coordination Team

- a. Review and determine support for the proposed three month work plan and Task Orders. This information will be sent a few days before the meeting at <http://www.sjrtdml.org/implementation/coordination/index.htm>.
- b. Review and determine whether to support the proposed Coordination Team. Background material will also be posted to the listserv and to the above web address.
- c. Discuss the implications of Tasks not being included in the work order. Are there priority tasks that won't be done and if so, what does the Steering Committee want to do about them?

3. Task 8 - Advancing a 2003 Focused PSP and "Low Hanging Fruit" Implementation Option.

- a. Review timeline and process for a Public "Scoping" process for collecting stakeholder ideas for helping improve the low dissolved oxygen process. When should this begin and how long should it last? When and how will these documents be circulated to the broader stakeholder community?
- b. Review and improve the Pre-proposal Idea/Concept Form and cover letter. (Note: Kevin will have a second draft circulated to the list before the meeting.) Should the form allow for Water Quality improvement suggestions that do not potentially benefit DO? (Note: If the start of the public scoping process is delayed, this item can also be delayed.)
- c. Clarify the "low hanging fruit" option. Could stakeholders support implementing a version of this option during Phase I (2003-2008)? Is it worth attempting to work out more details before the March Regional Board meeting and include the outline an agreement in this area for the Board?
- d. Review timeline and tasks from the three month Coordination Team proposal and how it affects developing and releasing a Focused PSP at the end of this summer. What could the Steering Committee be doing over the next three months to help.

4. Pilot Aeration.

- a. Update on when a contract will be signed so that the pilot aeration work plan can begin. How behind schedule are we and what are the potential ramifications of this delay?

b. Update from the Port of Stockton and USACE on the transfer of the jet aerator to the Port so that it can be used more extensively in 2003.

5. Upstream Monitoring

a. Review draft of the program. How will Fred Lee and Chris Foe's concern be met? (See http://www.sjrtdml.org/implementation/monitor_eval/upstream/index.htm.)

b. Review and decide next steps and timeline. Can the Steering Committee support the proposal now? Can it wait until its Feb. 27 meeting or should it authorize the Executive Committee to make the decision?

6. Assurance Package update.

a. Update on the development of the Letter of Intent. Is there draft language available?

b. How can the Steering Committee help get stakeholder signatures on the Letters of Intent?

7. Future of the Steering Committee and TAC

a. The Planning and Coordination task orders will include a review and recommendation on the roles of all the players including CALFED, Regional Board, other organizations and stakeholders and the Steering and Technical Advisory Committees. What options for the Steering Committee and TAC should they review?

8. Other Issues.

a. Please post any additional agenda items that should be considered at the meeting to the sjr-tmdl email list.

Agenda

8:45 Pre-meeting coffee and conversation

9:00 Welcome, introductions, agenda review

9:10 Regional Board meeting preparation

9:40 Planning and Coordination Team

10:30 Break

10:45 Task 8 issues

11:30 Pilot Aeration

11:40 Upstream monitoring

12:10 Assurance Package

12:20 Future of Steering Committee

12:30 Adjourn