

LOS OSOS WASTEWATER PROJECT TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

San Luis Obispo County Department of Public Works



Meeting Minutes

Monday, April 9, 2007

- 1) Call to Order/Roll Call: Approximately 12:05 pm, Chairman Garfinkel called the meeting to order. All members in attendance.
- 2) Agenda Item 1, Approval of Meeting Minutes from March 26, 2007 and April 2, 2007: Staff noted error on minutes for April 2, 2007 under Agenda Item 1, third paragraph beginning with, John Waddell presented... The handout for the item should be attached to the minutes and noted in the minutes.

Members of the advisory committee requested a summary of their discussions on April 2, 2007, for Agenda Item 1. Add the language as follows,

“Advisory committee discussed the Prohibition Zone boundaries related to build-out population estimates and wastewater flow estimates. Discussed direct injection and creek discharge options, which were items eliminated in the Rough Screening Report and their potential benefits to sustainable basin yield.”

No public comment. **Marshall Ochylski motion to accept minutes with changes, Dan Berman second. Motion carries.**

- 3) Agenda Item 2, Chairperson’s Comments and Working Group Reports:
Opening comments by Chairman Bill Garfinkel. Discusses status of summary of Rough Screening Alternatives (handouts attached) and the format and schedule of upcoming meetings (attached).
 - a. Financial Working Group: Discussion and written summary of items from April 5, 2007 working group meeting (attached).
 - b. Environmental Working Group: Discussion and written summary of draft criteria for Pro/Con Analysis from April 6, 2007 working group meeting (attached).
 - c. Engineering Working Group: Discussion and written summary of draft criteria for Pro/Con Analysis and information requests from April 2, 2007 working group meeting (attached).

Public comment on Agenda Item 2:

Al Barrow: Discusses affordability criteria, collection systems, and land requirements of pond treatment.

Project website: www.slocounty.ca.gov/PW/LOWWP

Project email address: LOWWP@co.slo.ca.us

Keith Wimer: Discusses the Proposition 218 process, Regional Water Quality Control Board requirements, water reuse, and collection system infiltration and inflow estimates.

Dave Duggan: Discusses value engineering and environmental criteria.

Gordon Taylor: Discusses Chapter 1 of Rough Screening Report and seawater intrusion report by Cleath and Associates.

Richard Margetson: Discusses flow assumptions in Chapter 1 of Rough Screening Report and submitted written comments on Chapter 1 (attached).

Advisory committee response to public comment: Reasonably certain of Regional Board requirements, but do not expect official action prior to a permit application. Discussion on 20 to 30 year evaluation of system reliability and operation and maintenance costs. Request for Resource Capacity Study's Level 3 Severity for water resources to be considered in evaluation. Seawater intrusion report was updated in 2005 by Cleath and Assoc. to reflect Golden State Water pumping patterns. **No action taken.**

- 4) Agenda Item 3 Advisory Committee Review of Project Alternatives:
John Waddell presented Chapter 3—Treatment Technology Alternatives. Advisory committee discussion on issues related to Chapter 3, including odor potential, other impacts to neighboring property, proprietary technologies, nitrogen removal, Proposition 218 benefits assessments, and impacts on disposal alternatives and water resources. (Handout attached)

John Waddell presented Chapter 4—Solids Treatment and Disposal Alternatives. Advisory committee discussion on issues related to Chapter 4, including the quantity of sludge production, local ordinances, potential bio-solids market, regional septage acceptance, potential septage from a STEP collection system, and potential impacts to overall project costs. (Handout attached)

Public comment on Agenda Item 3:

Lawson Schaller: Discusses advisory committee meeting process for public access and information, County acceptance of new technologies, project guiding principles and core values, and sludge management.

Dean Benedix: Introduces himself as County staff and project Assessment Engineer. Discusses sludge and septage handling.

Keith Wimer: Discusses collection system infiltration and inflow estimates and operation and maintenance cost estimates.

Lisa Schicker: Representing Los Osos CSD. Requests due date for comments on Rough Screening Report and discusses Los Osos CSD Wastewater Committee work.

Dave Duggan: Discusses the Tri-W project and terminal wetlands.

Al Barrow: Discusses sustainability, project costs, and wetlands treatment.

Richard Margetson: Discusses the Tri-W project and alternative treatment and solids disposal alternatives.

Bo Cooper: Discusses the Tri-W project and requests explanation of graph on last page of Rough Screening Report.

Gewynnn Taylor: Requests tape recordings be made of advisory committee meetings.

Advisory committee response to public comment: Meeting schedule listed in opening comments handout. Comments on Rough Screening Report will be considered in Fine Screening Report. Operations and maintenance cost estimates will be shown in Fine Screening Report. Working groups can consider recommendations for project core values. Advisory committee chair and vice-chair can be available for Los Osos CSD meetings. **No action taken.**

- 5) Date of next advisory committee meeting: Monday, April 23, 2007 at 12:00 pm in San Luis Obispo.
- 6) Meeting adjourned at approximately 2:30 pm.