Antelope Valley IRWMP

Meeting Minutes and Action Items from May 31, 2006 Meeting

Meeting Minutes

- Tracie Billington (California Department of Water Resources) expressed her concern that the schedule may be a bit too aggressive.
- Bruce Hamamoto (Los Angeles County Department of Public Works, Watershed Management) commented that it appears to be a long time before the next stakeholder meeting and it was not clear what will be done in the meantime.
- Stakeholders asked what Los Angeles County Waterworks Districts' (LACWWD) role in development of the IRWMP would be.
- LACWWD's role would be as a facilitator for the process.
- Adam Ariki (LACWWD) offered that LACWWD would be okay with another agency acting as the facilitator with LACWWD acting only as a participant.
- The cities of Palmdale and Lancaster expressed support for LACWWD to continue as the facilitator for the effort.
- Palmdale Water District asked that LACWWD be sure to continue engaging the stakeholders throughout the process to maintain trust.
- All agreed that the stakeholders should be involved more intensively in the process and that monthly stakeholder meetings would be beneficial.
- Many stakeholders commented that the stakeholder group needs to be expanded to include the Los Angeles County Farm Bureau, Kern County Farm Bureau, Kern County Planning Department, Kern County BIA, California State Parks, California State Department of Fish and Game, Sierra Club, and California City.
- Edwards Air Force Base representatives also recommended adding the City of Boron and U.S. Borax.

Action Items

- Schedule monthly stakeholder meetings for the last Wednesday of each month from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at the Larry Chimbole Cultural Center, 38350 Sierra Highway, Palmdale.
- Publish meeting program, presentations, and minutes on the website and notify all stakeholders that the materials are available.
- Develop a comprehensive stakeholder list and add the Los Angeles County Farm Bureau, Kern County Farm Bureau, Kern County Planning Department, Kern County BIA, California State Parks, California State Department of Fish and Game, Sierra Club, California City, City of Boron, and U.S. Borax.
- Make contact with the stakeholders that have been added and identify the appropriate representatives.
- Update the planning schedule to reflect a more realistic time-frame to complete the IRWMP.
- Arrange for planning officials from cities and counties to speak about their general plans and any on-going updates at our next stakeholder meeting which is schedule for June 28, 2006 at 9:00 a.m.