

Regional Desalination Project Community Involvement Forum

Draft Agenda

August 23, 2011

6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Monterey Plaza Hotel

Cannery Row, Monterey

1. Agenda Review 6:00 p.m.

2. Agreement on Ground Rules and Other Protocols 6:05 p.m.

Participants will agree on any necessary ground rules, and discuss the role of the facilitator, and the role of the participants in the Forum.

Desired outcomes: Agreement on any ground rules necessary for the Forum to be as useful as possible for the participating community members;

Agreement on the role of the Facilitator and of others participating in the Forum so that all participants know what is expected of them.

3. Update on the alleged Conflict of Interest 6:15 p.m.

Representatives of the Project Advisory Committee will provide an update on the situation that has arisen as a result of the conflict of interest allegations.

Desired outcomes: Understanding of the status of the conflict of interest allegations;

Understanding of the effects of these allegations on the Community Involvement Forum and on other aspects of the Project;

Understanding the ways that those involved in the project are constrained from providing as much information about the conflict of interest allegations as they might wish.

4. Review of Outstanding Items 6:30 p.m.

The list of outstanding items carried forward from the March meeting will be reviewed (see list below). Team members will select and respond to questions that can be effectively answered quickly. Items that require more time or that are not yet ripe for discussion will be carried forward to a future meeting or addressed in some other way:

- What opportunities are there to change the Project by, for example, amending the Water Purchase Agreement or the Settlement Agreement?
- How can the governance of the project be changed to give more control to elected officials?
- Why are we shifting our waste water to Castroville instead of recycling non-potable water locally?
- What assumptions have been made in the project design regarding earthquake, tsunami and contamination?
- What will be done with the Los Padres Dam?
- What can community members do to move the Project forward?
- Why have securities experts said that this project is not financeable?
- How much will financing cost?

Desired outcomes: Clarification of the status of outstanding questions so that participants understand when and how they will be addressed;

Answers to as many as possible of the outstanding questions so that participants are informed about issues that are of interest to them.

- 5. Update on the Regional Desalination Project 6:45 p.m.**
The Project Manager will present a Project update including some of the topics of greatest interest to community groups: general progress report, the status of the financing plan, the status of current litigation, and the Project's permitting process. Participants will discuss the topics presented.
Desired outcomes: Understanding of the general status of the Project;
Understanding of the current status of litigation so that participants are informed about the way that the Project's schedule is affected by this;
Understanding of the plan so that participants are informed about the ways that the Project schedule and costs are affected by this;
Understanding of progress obtaining the major permits needed by the Project so that participants are informed about the permitting processes and of opportunities for community input.
- 6. General Discussion 7:30 p.m.**
Participants will raise issues of concern regarding water supply and engage in discussion with other participants including the Project's owners and their consultants.
Desired outcomes: Awareness of the issues of concern to participants and
Understanding of the differences between the perspectives held by various sections of the community so that participants can constructively discuss these relevant topics.
- 7. Planning for the Next Forum Meeting 7:45 p.m.**
Participants will consider the most useful purposes for future meetings of the Forum, suggest topics for focused discussion at the next Forum meeting, and make other suggestions about ways to plan the meeting.
Desired outcomes: Understanding of participants' suggestions for the role of this Forum so that future meetings may reflect this;
Understanding of topics of interest to participants for consideration in future agendas;
Understanding of any other proposals about ways to plan Forum meetings.
- 8. Meeting Review 7:55 p.m.**
Desired outcomes: Identification and understanding of this meeting's successes and improvement opportunities.

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Community Involvement Forum Meeting Location

