

**Tuolumne Stanislaus IRWM - Watershed Advisory Committee**  
**February 21, 2018**  
**Meeting Notes**

I. Meeting Opening

Meeting Summary was accepted with the correction of Twain Harte which was misspelled.

II. Standing Items

- Grant Update: L. Mattos provided a written update on the status of invoicing on the Round 2 and Drought grant contracts.
- External Communications: T. Trott provided a short update on DACI, including an update on the mapping exercise planned by SI for the March meeting.
- YSS: J. Buckley provided a short update which included the YSS Leadership Team meeting with Forest Service staff, the current shortage of staff on the Stanislaus, and the over lapping objectives with the IRWM and ACCG.

III. Public Comment - None.

IV. Discussion and Selection of Objectives to Focus on within 2018-2019 Work Plan

WAC Members discussed the following issues as priorities for next years work plan;

- Septic System Issues
- Water Supply Needs Related to Drought
- Water Conservation/Water Use Efficiency Education
- Stormwater
- Meadow Restoration (Possible Field Trip)
- Land Use Integration
- Energy Efficiency including Biomass
- Reforestation Opportunities

Objectives and Measurable Planning Targets Identified;

- MPT D3
- MPT D4
- Objective N
- Objective O
- MPT K6
- MPT N2
- Objective G
- MPT P1
- Objective L
- MPT H2

V. Tuolumne County General Plan Update Presentation and Q&A

Tuolumne County Community Resources Agency Staff provided a presentation on the current General Plan Update. Copy of Presentation is available on TStan Website.

Members asked the following questions;

- Are changes to land use designations still being accepted? No, but small changes may be entertained.
- How is water supply and quality as it relates to land development addressed? There is language supporting connection to public utilities. (There was discussion by WAC members on the importance of water supply when looking at new developments as well as past issues. )
- How many code enforcement officers does the CRA have? There is currently one.

VI. Presentation on RCD Project

Copy of Presentation is available on TStan Website.

VII. Presentation on Potential JPA Funding Allocations

R. Ringen presented a proposal for distribution of funding, copies were distributed to WAC members. Members discussed ideas for showing the return on investment for JPA Board membership as well as associate membership. Members also discussed ways to reduce operating costs including reducing the number of meeting and reducing staffing. Staff will bring back possible alternatives with the budget for the March meeting. Additionally, the idea to increase WAC membership dues to \$200 will be added to the March meeting agenda for discussion.

VIII. Presentation on Potential Membership Outreach Ideas

R. Ringen and L. Westbrook introduced the agenda item. Members discussed the following ideas;

- Highlight our current IRWM projects
- Highlight the improvements to our community
- Could look for business partners such as PGE, SPI, etc.
- A way for groups to contribute without the requirements of a full member such as meeting attendance

IX. Other Water News - None.

X. Wrap Up

Next meetings will be held on Wednesday March 21st, 2018.

B. Hunter volunteered for snack in March.