



Ventura River Watershed Council Meeting

Thursday, July 13, 2017

New Time: 9:00 am – 11:30 am

New Location: Oak View Resource Center, 555 Mahoney Avenue, Oak View, CA 93022

Facilitated by Zoë Carlson, Ventura River Watershed Coordinator

Agenda

#		Topic	Desired Outcome/Description
1	9:00-9:15	Welcome Introductions, and Announcements <i>Everyone</i>	This is an opportunity for everyone to give updates on their projects, programs, planning efforts, and other items of interest to the group.
2	9:15-9:30	Instream Flow Update <i>Kevin DeLano, CA State Water Board and Jenny Newman, LA Regional Water Quality Control Board</i>	The Ventura River Watershed Council has served as the forum for stakeholder engagement in the State studies on groundwater/surface water interaction, water quality and instream flow. Kevin DeLano and Jenny Newman will give an update on the ongoing studies and answer questions.
3	9:30-9:45	Update on Prop 84 Drought Round and Final Round IRWM Implementation Projects in the Watershed <i>Ventura County Farm Bureau, Ojai Valley Land Conservancy, Casitas Municipal Water District, and the City of Ventura</i>	An important function of the Ventura River Watershed Council is developing, reviewing, and recommending projects for the state-funded Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) grant program. As part of that review, project leads will give a brief (1-2 minute) update and answer questions about each of the following projects funded through the past two rounds of Prop. 84: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ventura County Agricultural Water Use Efficiency Program • San Antonio Creek Arundo Removal Program • Lake Casitas Aeration Project • Water Wise Incentive Program

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4	<p>9:45-10:10</p> <p>WCVC IRWM Plan Update <i>Lynn Rodriguez, Watersheds Coalition of Ventura County</i></p>	<p>In order to be eligible for funding through the Proposition 1 IRWM grant program, portions of the Watersheds Coalition of Ventura County (WCVC) IRWM Plan will need to be updated. Lynn Rodriguez will update the group on the required changes including those that will require active participation by the three watershed groups including the Ventura River Watershed Council.</p>
	<p>10:10-10:20</p> <p>BREAK</p>	
5	<p>10:20-11:10</p> <p>Greatest Water Needs in the Ventura River Watershed - Discussion <i>Everyone</i></p>	<p>A central element in the IRWM plan update will be re-visiting and re-defining the greatest needs within each of the watersheds in the Region. The group will re-visit the needs and priorities discussed in the Ventura River Watershed Management Plan, the WCVC IRWM Plan, and the California Water Action Plan. Aligning these three sets of needs with the current greatest needs in the watershed will be critical in developing, reviewing, and recommending projects for implementation funding.</p>
6	<p>11:10-11:30</p> <p>ACTION: Watershed Coordination Work Plan and Staffing Approval <i>Leadership Executive Committee</i></p>	<p>The Ventura River Watershed Council Leadership Executive Committee met to provide direction on the watershed coordinator work plan and staffing for August 2017-July 2018. The Leadership Executive Committee will present the Draft Work Plan and recommendation for Watershed Coordinator staffing for review and approval by the Ventura River Watershed Leadership Committee.</p>

Next Watershed Council meeting: September 14, 2017 –Time and Location TBD