

**San Joaquin River Restoration Program
Water Management Work Group
Technical Feedback Meeting
Friday, May 8, 2009
Lamp Liter Inn
Visalia, CA**

MEETING NOTES

Attendees:

Dave Mooney	Reclamation	Dennis Keller	Garfield, Lewis Creek WD
Tony Buelna	Reclamation		
Rod Meade	SJRRP RA	Mike Hagman	Lindmore ID
Peter Vorster	The Bay Institute	Bill Carlisle	Southern San Joaquin MUD
Ron Jacobsma	FWUA		
Steve Ottemoeller	FWUA	Doug Welch	Chowchilla WD
Bill Luce	FWUA	Floyd Harlan	International WD
Eric Quinley	FWA	Mark Larsen	Kaweah Delta WCD
Steve Collup	Arvin-Edison WSD	Tom Boardman	San Luis & Delta- Mendota WA
Sean Geivet	Porterville, Saucelito, Terra Bella ID	Dave Fullerton	Metropolitan WD of Southern California
Jerry Ezell	Shafter-Wasco ID		
Fergus Morrissey	Orange Cove ID	Steve Haze	Sierra RCD/SJVWLF
Paul Hendrix	Tulare ID	Cheryl Claes	CEI Engineering
Dale Brogan	Delano-Earlimart ID	John Roldan	MWH
Keith Norris	Tea Pot Dome WD	Jeff Payne	MWH

Next Meeting:

June 5, 2009, 8:30am – 10:00am

Summary of Meeting:

Residuals – Tools and Results by Dave Mooney (Reclamation) and Jeff Payne (MWH)

Dave Mooney presented potential tools available to address residual water caused by evolving water supply declarations. Jeff Payne reviewed the assumptions and results of the modeling process used to evaluate the potential magnitude of residuals under various hydrologic conditions.

The group noted the following:

- Residuals are not in the Settlement. Reclamation should prioritize those items that are included in the Settlement and defer any additional effort on residuals.
- The tools presented by Reclamation are acceptable at this time.

Mediation Comments by Dave Mooney (Reclamation)

Dave Mooney provided preliminary comments on the draft “Proposed Implementation Agreement of the Friant Settlement” (draft Implementation Agreement) resulting from the FWUA mediation process. The comments focused on implementation issues of the Mitigation Resources, more specifically, 16(a), 16(b) and Part III, that were identified in the draft Implementation Agreement.

The group noted the following:

- More information is required on transferring water.

16(a) Recapture and Recirculation Update by Dave Mooney (Reclamation)

Dave Mooney informed the group that Reclamation and the FWUA are currently identifying participants for a stakeholder meeting on 16(a) activities. The list will initially include water users, agencies, and the NRDC, but may expand as the process evolves.

RWA Accumulation Method by Dave Mooney (Reclamation) and Jeff Payne (MWH)

Dave Mooney presented additional methods for calculation of the RWA. Jeff Payne provided an overview of the next steps required to implement different RWA methods.

The group noted the following:

- Reducing RWA credits because of incidental yield benefits resulting from the evacuation of storage space in Millerton Lake through Restoration releases is outside of the Settlement. A conflicting position was offered in response to this statement.

Public Comment

- Ron Jacobsma requested a status report on the Friant-Kern and Madera Canals Capacity Correction Assessment at the next meeting.
- Peter Vorster noted the compressed meeting schedule and inquired whether future meetings could be extended based on agenda length.