

Tahoe Sierra IRWM Partnership Meeting
September 22, 2016 1-3 p.m.
South Tahoe Public Utility District
1275 Meadow Crest Dr.
South Lake Tahoe, CA 96150

Meeting Notes

Attendees:	Attendees (Call-In):
Michelle Hochrein, Washoe Tribe Envi Dept.	Beth, Truckee River Watershed
Geoff Ellis, Washoe Tribe/Community	Fabienne Gueissaz, Squaw
Lynn Nolan, STPUD	JoAnn, Town of Truckee
Sarah Jones, TRPA	Kansas, Placer County
Sarah Green, Alpine Watershed Group	Steve, Truckee Donner PUD
Jack Landy, U.S. EPA	
Daniel Kikkert, El Dorado County	
John Larson, TKPOA	
Jason Burke, CSLT	
Faye-Marie Pekar, CSLT	
Kurt Althof, TCPUD	
Ellery Stahler, TRCD	
Chris Mertens, CTC	
Russell Wigert, El Dorado County	
Scott Ferguson, Lahontan Water Board	
Jennifer Lukins, LBWC	
Livy Coe, NRCS	

1. Scott Ferguson, Senior Water Resource Control Engineer with Lahontan Regional Water Quality Control Board discussed the current LRWQCB Climate Change Adaptation Survey they are currently conducting. The Climate Change Survey is available at: https://eSurv.org?s=LBJJGM_d59a343d and all partners are encouraged to fill out the survey as the information will be helpful in developing climate change adaptation planning strategies.
2. Ellery Stahler of Tahoe Resource Conservation District outlined the two funding sources TRCD received to complete a Tahoe Sierra region-wide Stormwater Resources Plan. The California Tahoe Conservancy funded TRCD for the Tahoe region and the State Water Resources Control Board has funded the planning to extend to the other areas of our TSIRWM region. A consultant has been hired for this effort and stakeholder outreach meetings are planned for the near future. This is an important planning effort as new mandates by the state require these plans to be in place for those agencies seeking stormwater funding. Information on the outreach meetings will be distributed soon.

3. The Tahoe Sierra IRWM approved the submission of a Disadvantaged Community Planning grant to the Department of Water Resources at the April 2016 meeting and approved the following projects:
 - i. Washoe Tribe planning and design for water/wastewater improvements at the Woodfords Community \$ 98,897
 - ii. El Dorado County planning and design for storm water improvements in Tahoma \$ 56,397
 - iii. City of South Lake Tahoe Existing Drainage Condition Assessment and Feasibility Report for Sierra Blvd. \$ 61,398
 - iv. TSIRWM DAC outreach activities to include website updates/outreach materials/etc. \$ 30,607

This application is currently being prepared and is scheduled for submission October 20, 2016. This application is Lahontan region-wide and includes 7 IRWM groups. California Rural Water will serve as the lead in this effort. Future grant opportunities through the IRWM Proposition 1 funding include a DAC Implementation grant and a Region-wide implementation grant. The TSIRWM share of this funding is limited: approximately \$250,000 for the DAC Implementation and \$2,500,000 for the regional project implementation. DWR has not scheduled the time frames for these grant applications as yet, but hopes to have them available in 2017.

4. The TSIRWM website, www.tahoesierrairwm.com, has been updated and includes all the rating and ranking of the current round of projects as well as individual project templates. Issues with rating and ranking were discussed and the category of geographic distribution will be utilized when funding opportunities allow. Although the group strives for conformity across the board when rating and ranking the three categories (stormwater/flood control, water/wastewater, and restoration), in the category of DAC, the newest mapping from the Department of Water Resources established some new DAC communities that were not originally identified. Markleeville has also been recently identified as a DAC community through an income survey provided by the SWRCB but was not included in the DWR mapping tool and the Woodfords Community was also not included. These discrepancies will be corrected as we move forward with funding evaluation.
5. As discussed at the spring meeting, the current TSIRWM plan will need some revisions to be considered complete by DWR. One of the updates will be the addition of the TSIRWM Stormwater Resources Plan document as an addendum, but we will also need to work on ensuring our climate change section meets the newest criteria as well as updating for water contamination statistics region wide. Lahontan may be able to help us with this updated material. There was discussion about whether a new MOU would be needed once the updates have been added and we will check with DWR to see whether that is a necessity.