

**Plan Advisory Group Meeting #4**EDCWA 2019 WRDMP / 184031088

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**Date/Time:** March 27, 2019 / 10:00 AM  
**Place:** EDCWA; 4330 Golden Center Dr, Suite C, Placerville, CA 95667  
**Next Meeting:** April 24, 2019  
**Attendees:** Plan Advisory Group Members-  
County of El Dorado: Charlene Carveth, Tiffany Schmid  
El Dorado Irrigation District: Brian Mueller  
Georgetown Divide Public Utility District: Adam Brown (Alternate)  
Grizzly Flats Community Services District: Jodi Lauther  
  
Other Attendees-  
County of El Dorado: Anne Novotny, Brendan Ferry  
Stantec: Yung-Hsin Sun, Maritza Flores Marquez, Rebecca Guo  
EN2: Tracey Eden-Bishop  
Prosio Communications: Lindsay Pangburn

**Not Present:** Plan Advisory Group Members-  
El Dorado County Water Agency: Ken Payne  
Georgetown Divide Public Utility District: Steve Palmer  
South Tahoe Public Utility District: Shannon Cotulla  
Tahoe City Public Utility District: Sean Barclay

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The purpose of the meeting was to establish common understanding regarding the progress and direction for El Dorado County Water Agency's (EDCWA) 2019 Water Resources Development and Management Plan (WRDMP). The purpose of the meeting was to also receive feedback on the current content of the draft 2019 WRDMP.

**Notes:** The following are notes and comments received from the Plan Advisory Group (PAG) for the current draft 2019 WRDMP:

- **Section 1:**
  - None
- **Section 2:**
  - Percent Contained in Water Purveyor Service Area chart in Section 2.1: Yes/No legend needs to be switched.
  - Water Demands in Land Use Designations: On March 12, 2019, EDCWA, the El Dorado County Department of Agriculture/Weights and Measures, and the El Dorado County Planning and Building Department discussed how to use the General Plan land use designations for developing demands for the WRDMP. It was decided that three categories of demands should be used: urban, agricultural, and rural/agricultural. The meeting and outcomes were summarized to the Plan Advisory Group. It was suggested that a map be added that includes Community Regions overlaid with demand groupings, as this is what the Board members and

public generally refer to. It was also suggested that the Urban, Rural/Agricultural, and Agricultural definitions be included in the text.

- Major water infrastructure figure in Section 2.3: Map is very busy. Consider making it a full page or removing some of the labels. Consider only including infrastructure from source water to treatment plant (not distribution to customers). Georgetown Divide Public Utility District will provide feedback on their infrastructure, on what should be depicted.
- **Section 3:**
  - Fire Hazard Severity Zone Figure in Section 3.3: Add Emerald Fire Perimeter (may possibly need to update date in legend pending when the fire occurred). Update label for Diamond Springs to “Diamond Springs/EI Dorado,” (this is a global edit on all figures).
  - Fire Hazard Severity Zone chart in Section 3.3: Instead of listing percentages by land type, list acreage.
  - California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) Fire Threat Figure in Section 3.3: Update label for Diamond Springs to “Diamond Springs/EI Dorado.”
  - CPUC Fire Threat chart in Section 3.3: Purpose of chart and map is to highlight where there is overlap between fire hazard severity and fire threats. Layout/presentation will continue to be modified.
  - Floodplain Map in Section 3.7: In legend add “(FEMA).” Add date that County flood hotspot area was provided. Consider changing 500-year floodplain color because it is hard to see the City of South Lake Tahoe dot. Add city/town labels for reference.
  - Section 3.7: Double check that FEMA was defined earlier. If not, spell out in text (last paragraph).
- **Sections 4 and 5:**
  - Section 4 is meant describe the resource management strategies (RMS) that may be used to improve the conditions listed in Section 3.
  - Section 5 is meant to describe how EDCWA may lead/support/coordinate an RMS identified in Section 4.
  - The *Resource Management Strategies* handout was reviewed with the PAG.
    - The handout lists all possible RMSs that EDCWA could lead/support/coordinate. It was stressed that even though an RMS is listed, EDCWA may not assume full responsibility for leading it if another agency or group is already responsible.
    - If there are groups or agencies that are already addressing a challenge discussed in Section 3, it would be helpful to know who they are, what they are currently doing, and if they are addressing all areas in EI Dorado County that have been identified to have a problem. Agencies with existing RMSs that address a Section 3 challenge will be described in Section 5, noting that EDCWA would not need to take on an additional effort. However, if there are areas in EI Dorado County that need assistance, then EDCWA could decide to coordinate with the existing agency or group to address those areas not covered.
    - Detailed edits are incorporated in the updated handout that will be distributed for review by PAG members. Several comments that may require further discussion are as follows:

- RMS 2a. Tahoe Basin may need an additional strategy to account for the increase in visitation and effects on demands. Kennedy Jenks is developing a Water Rights Petition report that can possibly be referenced.
  - RMS 4. Add sub-bullets/description to strategies for water reuse
  - RMS 8a. Further discussion needed to identify potential action County/purveyors will do to address Human Right to Water. General Plan Goal 5.2 - Develop Understanding of Situation, generally addresses this.
  - RMS 9. had some overlap with RMS 6 - Stormwater.
  - RMS 9a. Include USGS, NGOs, and implementing agencies for CABY and Tahoe Sierra IRWM.
  - RMS 9d. Is this strategy on woody biomass too prescriptive?
  - RMS 10b. Also includes irrigation management system (IMS). EID and EDCWA leads IMS implementation. Possibly provide funding for irrigation lands regulatory compliance.
  - RMS 10xx. 2 lawsuits regarding CEQA for installing wells may change whether or now CEQA is required. Pending the outcome, installing new groundwater wells may become cost-prohibitive for single landowners in rural areas.
  - RMS 10xx. Education & Outreach – who to call and notify. Possibly add to 10e. Implementing agencies would be County and purveyors.
  - RMS 11xx. Add strategy for addressing climate change and the design/sizing for future and existing infrastructure.
  - RMS 12xx. Possibly add a strategy for addressing surplus water in terms of transfers that could subsequently help fund capital infrastructure projects. This surplus, if any, should be identified through the ongoing supply-demand modeling.
- The outline for Section 5 was reviewed. PAG members were asked to consider whether these program groupings make sense in light of the Section 4 RMS strategy discussion. It was asked what the format of Section 4 and 5 would look like. Format yet to be determined, but draft sections will be provided at the next meeting.

**Decisions:**

- None.

**Action Items:**

- **PAG** to 1) review the Resources Management Strategies and potential EDCWA implementation actions (Handout 1), 2) review WRDMP Sections 1 to 3 (Handout 4), and 3) review proposed implementation program grouping in Section 5 (Handout 2). All feedback should be sent to Maritza Flores at [Maritza.FloresMarquez@Stantec.com](mailto:Maritza.FloresMarquez@Stantec.com). If anyone would prefer to provide feedback verbally, please contact Maritza at (916) 418-8242 or Yung-Hsin at (916) 418-8260. **Due date: 8 Apr 2019.**
  - When providing feedback, please be clear as to the specific challenge the RMS or EDCWA implementation action it relates to. Please provide feedback using track changes in the MSWord document.
- **EDCWA and Stantec** to prepare for the April 2019 PAG Meeting #5. **Due date 24 Apr 2019.**

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- **Stantec** to complete the following items:
  - Incorporate feedback from PAG Meeting #4. ***Due date: 24 Apr 2019.***
  - Send out the meeting notes and meeting material. ***Due date: 29 March 2019.***

The meeting adjourned at 12:49 PM