

Environmental Cleanup Allocation Committee

Nov. 13, 2007
Meeting Minutes

Committee Members Present:

Mark Adelson, Santa Ana Regional Water Quality Control Board
John Bahorski, City of Cypress
Karen I. Baroldi, Orange County Sanitation District
Garry Brown, Orange County Coast Keeper
Tim Casey, City of Laguna Niguel
William J. Cooper, UC Irvine
Paul D. Jones, Irvine Ranch Water District
Tony Olmos, City of Brea
Joe Parco, City of Santa Ana
Hector B. Salas, Caltrans
Mary Anne Skorpanich, Watershed and Coastal Resources Program
Sat Tamaribuchi, The Irvine Company
Dick Wilson, City of Anaheim

Committee Members Absent:

San Diego Regional Water Quality Control Board Representative

Orange County Transportation Authority Staff Present:

Paul Taylor
Monte Ward
Ellen Burton
Kia Mortazavi
Ken Smart
Kurt Brotke
Marissa Espino
Kelly Hart
Dan Phu

Members of the Public

None

1. Welcome & Introductions

Paul Taylor called the meeting to order at 10:10 a.m. He welcomed the committee and thanked them for their service.

2. Renewed M Early Action Plan Overview

Monte Ward presented a brief overview of the Renewed Measure M Early Action Plan.

3. Committee Chair/Vice-Chair Appointment

The committee agreed to select the committee chair and vice chair at the next meeting.

4. Committee Charter

Monte Ward presented a draft committee charter and discussed the purpose and responsibilities of the committee and that the EOC provides recommendations to the OCTA Board of Directors through the OCTA Transportation 2020 Committee, a subcommittee of the OCTA. Memberships guidelines, terms of office and the duration of the committee's existence was also reviewed.

Committee members discussed the meeting time and day. The consensus was that min-mornings on Thursdays was a good time to meet on a monthly basis.

5. Work Plan Status

Monte Ward presented a draft work plan, which outlines several primary tasks including: 1) Create Allocation Committee, 2) Work Plan Development, 3) Revenues and Funding, 4) Development of Competitive Grant Process, 5) OCTA Approval of Grant Process, 6) Issue Call for Projects, and 7) Board Approval of Grants.

Several members inquired about the frequency of awarding of funds, understanding the different needs of the watershed areas, understanding how OCTA applies for/awards funding, how state and federal grant activities impact the committee's work and the need to look at water quality of inland cities in addition to coastal cities.

AC committee members asked that these issues be addressed at the next few meetings. Committee members representing the County of Orange, Irvine Ranch Water District and Caltrans offered to brief the committee on their areas of expertise.

6. Public Meeting Guidelines

Ken Smart, OCTA General Counsel, briefed the EOC on the Brown Act.

7. Public Comments

None

8. Next Meeting

The AC members were told the next meeting would include a briefing on OCTA's funding process and would immediately address some of the issues requested by the committee to cover. OCTA staff said a conceptual agenda would be distributed prior to the next meeting.

9. Adjournment

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:30 a.m. was made and passed unanimously.