

Program Committee Meeting Notes
Tuesday, August 20th | 10:00 AM -12:00 PM

Attendees:

Jenyffer Vasquez, West Basin	Nicholle Fratus, Contra Costa WD
Cooper Reaves, Contra Costa WD	William Granger, City of Sacramento
Nola Hastings, IRWD	Danielle McPherson, WaterNow Alliance
Dawn Calciano, City of Davis	Luke Sires, EBMUD (Committee Chair)
Krista Reger, MWD	Robyn Navarra, Zone 7 (Committee Vice Chair)
Pat Costello, City of Napa	Madeline Wood, City of Santa Barbara
Lisa Cuellar, CalWEP (Staff Support)	Rachel Waite - MWDOC
Enrique Zanetti - IRWD	Melissa Matlock – Western Municipal WD
Michael Slater, Frontier Energy	Edwin DeLeon, Golden State Water Company
Terrance McCarthy, LADWP	Shavonne Mays, Moulton Niguel WD
Julie Saare-Edmonds, DWR	Chavon Halushka, Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency
Chris Loomis – Sonoma Water	Karen Koppett, Valley Water
Karen Koppett, Valley Water	Sandy Harrison, Ventura County
Sandy Harrison, Ventura County	Diana Williford, City of Brentwood
Diana Williford, City of Brentwood	Bill Christiansen, AWE
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10:00	<p>1. Welcome and Introductions (Lisa)</p> <p>2. Meeting Notes Update – May 20th, 2019 (Luke)</p>
10:10	<p>3. CalWEP Updates</p> <p>a. QWEL Training Program Launch (Lisa)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Completed Train the Trainer in early August – certified a dozen potential instructors <p>b. Research Committee (Tia)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Next meeting pushed until after WSI in October
10:20	<p>4. Task Force Topics (Lisa & Luke)</p> <p>a. Long Term Framework Joint Task Force</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Feedback ii. 1st meeting scheduled for: September 11th <p>b. Landscape, AMI, Water Loss, CII Task Forces</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Feedback <p>Lisa: Should AMI TF topic be more generalized and renamed to “Meter”, as suggested by LADWP?</p> <p>Madeline: Keep AMI, this topic is a big draw. AMI could be more of the broad umbrella. Transition and barriers are still relevant.</p>

	<p>Luke: Fine with keeping AMI. This topic includes a whole web-portal discussion. Re: “alternative tech”, since this is called out specifically in LTF, it could be moved to LTF joint TF, and then this issue resolves itself.</p> <p>Robyn: AMI billing software not syncing/communicating properly. Having a lot of issues and it’s not as simple. Could use Wiki to provide resources – on how to resolve. At recent BAWCC meeting every agency noted that billing issue was a major problem. Consider a sheet to fill out – What kind of portal do you use? Note: integration will take some staff time, Agencies taking 3-4 years to integrate.</p> <p>Luke- hosting another symposia</p> <p>Robyn- yes, building on work that’s already been done.</p> <p>Lisa: CalWEP is about to release a report on AMI interoperability. Stay tuned.</p>
10:45	<p>5. Dipper Wells study update (Michael Slater, Frontier Energy)</p> <p>Jennifer: Does the health dept. require additional documentation?</p> <p>Response: Plan check process undertaken. For MWD they did a walk-through with a health inspector and did demo of how technology works. In house they have a display of technologies with a live demo.</p> <p>Karen: If we did a large direct installation program would they have to go through CA Department of Industrial Regulations? Do you have to have a certified plumber or could it be a handy-man who can install? What level of expertise is needed for this change-out?</p> <p>Response: Doesn’t think that a certified plumber needs to do the change-out.</p> <p>Karen: It would be great to do a big or state-wide like pre-rinse spray-valve program. Do you think a rebate would be successful if they paid for these devices?</p> <p>Response: Helpful responses received from Cooper (Contra Costa). He thought rebate wouldn’t be that successful. This sort of installation has a couple of hurdles. Direct install more likely to be received, but rebate could be a first-step.</p> <p>Cooper: The best approach would be a regional direct-install. Restaurant has no time energy or additional resources.</p> <p>Karen: Any agency interested in doing a large program?</p> <p>Cooper: Yes</p> <p>William: Let’s do a regional program</p> <p>Luke: EBMUD is interested in doing a regional program</p> <p>Madeline: Agree, likes chain approach. Starbucks has these and then getting gas companies involved</p> <p>Rachel: Interest from MWDOC as well</p> <p>Luke: Good interest – should we have a separate conversation?</p> <p>Tia: Could folks carve out what this might look like before next program committee</p> <p>Luke: [Action Item] CII task force or specific dipper well task force? Lisa and I will coordinate interested parties.</p> <p>Robyn: Supports CalWEP taking this on.</p>

11:30	<p>6. Leak detection program update (Danielle McPherson, WaterNow)</p> <p>Presented at BAWCC mtg last week – AMI is cost prohibitive for many utilities, and sign-up rates are in single digits. These devices could be a bridge. Could offer a rebate and would still get same AMI early adopters who would have signed up for the portal</p> <p>Luke: EBMUD is doing a pilot. Launched a pilot and can share preliminary data/presentation with the group</p> <p>Kris: By offering as a rebate program did they experience more uptake?</p> <p>Luke: We only pay up to 50%, and no direct install, so asking folks to evaluate technology</p>
11:55	7. Announcements
	<p>Next Meeting</p> <p><i>Tuesday, November 5, 2019</i></p> <p><i>10:00 AM – 12:00 PM</i></p>