

Upper Feather River IRWM Municipal Services Workgroup



DRAFT Meeting Summary November 19, 2015

Participants: 10 (excluding the Coordinator)

Summary of September 23rd and October 23rd RWMG meetings:

A brief summary of the RWMG meetings was given by Workgroup Coordinator.

Climate Change Project Assessments

The Workgroup Coordinator presented the Climate Change Project Assessment and Greenhouse Gas Emissions (GHG) Worksheet documents that will need to be completed for each project. Time was spent demonstrating the worksheets, with practice runs on a couple of projects. The following questions and consultant responses are in regards to the GHG worksheet:

1. RT mileage – why is mileage only calculated for trips from outside of the region?
Answer: Good catch. We updated the question in the tool and checklist document to ask about distance from project site regardless of whether it is from within or outside of the watershed.
2. Equipment – no category for pickups, water trucks, tanker trucks; can that be added or what is suggestion?
Answer: The emissions from this type of equipment are captured in the material hauling question.
3. Can the formulas in the worksheet be locked to avoid erasing them (multiple reviewers with varying levels of Excel expertise, etc.)?
Answer: Yes, all worksheets are now locked, with only the cells highlighted in blue available for data entry.
4. Phased projects, would you recommend doing a separate calculation for each phase?
Answer: As discussed this morning, this should be addressed on a project by project basis depending on the type of project and how similar or dissimilar phases of the project are.
Note: I recommend including a separate worksheet for each phase if you think the project may be broken into separate grant applications.

Future Workgroup Task: Prepare both forms for each of your project submittals.

Recommendations to RWMG: None at this time.

Project Development

Uma Hinman and Tamara Watson will be reviewing each of the Municipal Services Workgroup projects for completeness and refinement needs. Project proponents will contact project sponsors with questions or information needs. The RWMG has directed the workgroups and coordinators to further develop the projects as best we can, so please take another look at your projects and see if you can refine and/or “beef up” your project submittals.

Future Workgroup Task: Refine and further develop the project submittals, including completing the climate change project assessment and GHG emissions worksheets.

Recommendations to RWMG: None at this time.

Next Steps

Chapters: Two chapters have been released for comment and the deadline closed. Another opportunity for commenting will be during the public review draft Plan comment period. The next chapter released for review will be the regional description, which we anticipate the first or second week of December.

Capacity building: Some discussion was held on how to start the capacity discussion. It was suggested that the RWMG send a letter to DWR stressing the capacity needs of the UFR region.

Future Workgroup Tasks: Review chapters as they are released for comment.

Recommendations to RWMG: Send letter to DWR stressing the capacity needs of the UFR region.

Next meeting: None scheduled at this time. Next RWMG meeting will be in January 2016, TBD.

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