LOWER MOKELUMNE RIVER WATERSHED STEWARDSHIP

STEERING COMMITTEE

November 8, 2013 Meeting

Committee Members Present

Kathy Grant (City of Lodi) James Jones (EBMUD)

Margaret Smither-Kopperl (USDA NRCS PMC)

Lodi Rules

Linda Hatterle

Staff

John Brodie

Call to Order, Introductions

The meeting was called to order at 12:05pm. Those in attendance introduced themselves.

Agenda

The agenda was approved as mailed

Minutes

The minutes of the August 9, 2013 meeting were approved as amended.

Ecosystem Services Pilot Project

Mr. Jones noted that data was collected 8/26/13 at Vino Farms for a quantification tool demonstration.

# SLEWS/Farms Leadership

# John B. noted that the first FARMS Leadership Field Day was held in October and focused mostly on team building. The November field day will be held at the Plant Materials Center and will be a SLEWS type day planting grass seed and doing some monitoring and mentor/career activities.

# Irrigated Lands Program

John B. reported the Regional Water Board held a meeting in Stockton to discuss the Administrative Draft Regulations proposed for the region. A public draft will be released by January, and it is expected new regulations will be approved by the water Board at its March 2014 meeting.

Old Business

1. Watershed Users’ Guide—Ms. Grant reported the city was seeking bids from printers, but she had no other information.
2. Community Outreach
3. Crane Festival—consensus was that EBMUD’s participation in the Crane Festival and the addition of information and tours on salmon was well received by organizers and the public.
4. NSJWCD—No report
5. Watershed Open House—Discussion focused on types of demonstrations and topics for tours/workshops. There was also discussion about options for providing meals for those who attend.

New Business

1. MokeWise Participation—the Committee recommended John B. keep the committee informed on the MokeWise project.
2. Meeting Date—the Committee recommended a change in the meeting date to accommodate Johns attendance at MokeWise meetings, but any changes should be cleared through the Committee Chair and at the December meeting.
3. December Meeting—the Committee suggested a 12/20/13 meeting date for the annual potluck. John will contact Mr. Bronson/Mr. Storm regarding use of Winegrape Commission conference room for the meeting/potluck.
4. Harvest Report—Ms. Hatterle reported a very good crop for their operation. She said most local winegrape growers experienced average to well-above average yields.

Ms. Grant reported there were a few openings for anyone interested in participating in the Storm Drain Detectives field day November 11. If interested, meet at Lodi High School at 7:30am

# Next Meeting Schedule

The next meeting of the Lower Mokelumne River Watershed Stewardship Steering Committee will be December 20, 2013 at a site to be determined.