

Pilarcitos Restoration Workgroup Meeting Minutes
December 3, 2007
via conference call

Attending:

Adam Parris (PWA); Kellyx Nelson (RCD); Sarah Corbin (Surfrider); Jack Foley (SAM); Kit Crump (NOAA); Jim Salerno and Jane Lavelle (SFPUC); Tim Frahm (PCAC); Julie Casagrande (County); Paul Ringgold (POST); Bob Feldman, Cathleen Brennan, and Joe Guistino (CCWD); Joanne Kerbavaz (State Parks); Krissy Atkinson (DFG)

1. Open Comments

There were no open comments.

2. Approve minutes of November 5th Workgroup meeting

- The group approved the minutes as written and reviewed the status of action items from the November minutes:
 - Kellyx gave Adam the notes from the breakout session to incorporate into the assessment.
 - Tim Frahm's action item to set up a meeting with the Pilarcitos Working Group of agricultural operators and outreach to the agricultural community for the next workshop was continued.
 - Tim Ramirez found out what PG&E will be doing in this area and forwarded it to PWA.

ACTION: Tim Frahm will set up a meeting with the Pilarcitos Working Group and outreach to the agricultural community for the next public workshop.

3. Discuss and approve purpose statement

- The group approved the proposed purpose statement: "The purpose of the Pilarcitos Integrated Watershed Management Plan is to promote balanced solutions to effectively manage the Pilarcitos Creek watershed that satisfy environmental, public health, domestic water supply, and economic interests."
- There was discussion about whether recreation needed to be included in the purpose statement and a decision that it was unnecessary to call it out separately, as recreation is subsumed by some of the other interests listed.

4. PWA update on action items

- Adam Parris contacted Ben Sleeter from USGS regarding land use coverage data and Bob Coey from DFG regarding habitat typing to understand their efforts and minimize any redundancy with PWA's efforts. He is waiting to hear back.
- Adam reported back on the work under Task 3D, to fill data gaps, which the Workgroup had approved as completing fish habitat assessment on upper Apanolio Creek and upper Arroyo Leon, and evaluating the fish barrier projects on Mills Creek and Arroyo Leon.
 - Landowner access on Arroyo Leon was more complicated than anticipated, meaning that the assessment could not be completed. PWA therefore recommends using the remaining funds for more work on Upper Apanolio.
 - Don Alley, the fisheries biologist, did not expect the work to be as difficult as it was on Apanolio and would like to go further up to finish the assessment.

- PWA does not think that landowner permission on upper Arroyo Leon would be feasible in the remaining timeline.
- Paul Ringgold offered assistance from POST for access for any work on the lower part of Arroyo Leon.
- Tim Frahm thought it would be interesting to get back to Don Alley and Jerry Smith to ask them if they would recommend assessing lower Arroyo Leon or another stretch in upper Apanolio. Adam noted that further up Apanolio had been there recommendation.

ACTION: The Workgroup agreed that PWA will proceed as Don Alley and Jerry Smith recommend.

5. Determine upcoming Workgroup meeting dates

ACTION: Adam will get the draft IWMP to the Workgroup by December 20th.

- Workgroup members thought it was unlikely to be able to review the document before the holidays and the new year.

ACTION: Workgroup members will get digital comments to Adam by January 9th.

- If individuals absolutely need more time PWA will work with them.

ACTION: The Workgroup will have two weeks to review the document and meet on January 14th to go over comments and prioritize.

- Comments are welcome to PWA earlier than the 2-week deadline.
- Adam sees the 14th meeting as an opportunity to prioritize the comments.

ACTION: The Workgroup will publicly distribute the document two weeks later, on January 28th.

6. Determine winter public workshop date

- The second public workshop will be on Sunday, February 24th from 2:00 -5:00 p.m.