

Rio Hondo Watershed Coordinator Update

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WC Activities since Last WASC Meeting

- Participated in LA River Urban Waters Federal Partnership Quarterly Meeting (guest speaker Todd Bridges, USACE, Engineering with Nature project)
 - Follow up with USACE staff re: Engineering with Nature Project
- Calls with City of Alhambra and consultant to City about Burke Heritage Park project (to be proposed for year 4 project (kickoff meeting today))

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- Joint meetings/coordination with USGR Watershed Coordinator Team re: educational event originally planned for February 22 (note: Week of 2/7, decision made by joint WC team to postpone the date by a couple of weeks in order to promote greater meeting attendance by target audience)
- Coordination with Contract Manager
- Preparation for and participation in meeting of full Watershed Coordinator team
- Calls with Upper LA River Watershed Coordinator team re: joint work on west side of Rio Hondo Watershed Area – potentially two outreach events
- Educational event for cities

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- Study Rio Hondo Watershed Area boundary maps re: future projects and outreach events
- Calls re: El Monte Merced Avenue Project
- Monitored WHAM Task Force Quarterly Meeting
- Monitored EPA Grants Award Process Webinar
- Monitored California Water Dialogue meeting (“Roll Out of Federal and State Water Funding”)

Review of Appropriate Project Completion

- Important for the WASC to ensure that projects supported by the SCWP are completed and sustained over time.
- Essential that projects operate together as a system that provides water quality, water supply, and community investment benefits.
- In Rio Hondo Watershed Area, projects should be evaluated in subwatersheds.





Review of Funded Projects to Date by Sub-watershed

- Alhambra Wash – 1 Ip, 1 TRP
- Arcadia Wash – 1 IP, 1 TRP
- Eaton Wash – 1 IP, 1 TRP
- Rio Hondo Reach 2 - 2 IPs
- Rio Hondo Reach 3 – 1 IP, 1 TRP
- Rubio Wash - 2 IPs, 1 TRP
- Sawpit Wash – 2 IPs





Review of FY 2023-24 Project Considerations

- Four incomplete TRPs
- Due date for submittal of project proposals is July 31, 2022
- Need community-based proposals
- Watershed Coordinator emphasis in Q3 will be identification of potential projects that meet SCWP benefit goals.
- Watershed Coordinator emphasis in Q4 will be advising/assisting municipalities and community-based organizations, especially disadvantaged communities, with project proposals.





Planned Upcoming Activity Focus

- Continued emphasis on outreach and planning related to developing Year 4 project proposals for consideration in FY 2022-2023
- Survey of new WASC members
- Planning for joint outreach in Greater El Monte part of watershed area with USGR Watershed Coordinator
- Planning for educational event for municipal officials regarding the Safe, Clean Water Program.
- Planning for joint outreach program in the Pasadena area with Upper LAR Watershed Coordinators.

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Planned Upcoming Activity Focus (Continued)

- Preparation for March meeting final discussion of proposed year 3 projects.
- More analysis of projects by sub-watershed.
- Visit proposed project sites
- Continued coordination with Watershed Coordinators





Questions and Discussion

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