

Rio Hondo Watershed Coordinator Update

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Watershed Coordinator Activities

Summary of WC Activities since Last WASC Meeting

(2-21-2023)

- Tabled at **community outreach & engagement event** on Earth Day weekend (City of Alhambra Eco Fair) (4/23)
- Participated in regular **progress meetings of the Washington Park Project Feasibility Study (TRP)**
 - Extensive coordination and review of Feasibility Study sections prior to application; provided comments and suggestions for TRP team prior to submittal of application
- Participated in regular **progress meetings of the S. El Monte High School Project Feasibility Study (TRP)**
 - Extensive coordination and review of Feasibility Study sections prior to application, including research re: cost-effectiveness determination; projected scoring details of project; provided comments and suggestions for TRP team prior to submittal of application
- Participated in regular **progress meetings of the Sierra Madre Median Project Feasibility Study (TRP)**
 - Coordination re: status and next steps

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- Attended **SCWP Application Meetings** (virtual)
- Prepared and submitted **2 Quarterly Reports** of WC activities
- Prepared and submitted **Annual Report** of WC activities
- Prepared and submitted an **updated Strategic Outreach and Engagement Program (SOEP)**
- Presented to **the SGVCOG Water Policy Committee** (6/6)
- Participated in a virtual **check-in meeting with Claire Robinson** (Amigos de los Rios) re: experiences/challenges with SCWP projects (6/16)
- Attended (virtual) **Clean California Local Grant Program Application Workshop** and conducted additional grant review
- Attended State Water Board (virtual) **Bacteria Summit Planning Meeting** (3/23)

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- **Monitored Scoring Committee meeting**, reviewed ideas re: future Rio Hondo projects
- **Monitored ROC meeting** to understand ROC's views on SIPS and proposed projects.
- Monitored **Regional Water Board** meetings
- Researched **SGV Economic Partnership** for potential connection and future opportunities
- Conducted **site reconnaissance** re: locations for future projects
- **Coordinated with County staff** re: potential Rio Hondo Watershed Area projects on County/FCD property
- Conducted research and coordination re: **workforce barriers and status of workforce development programs**
- Participated in **Rio Hondo LRS Meeting**

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- **Research re: status of Vincent Lugo Park** and relationships to other area projects
- Coordinated with City of Pasadena and City of LA and re: ULAR EWMP projects
- Participated in **monthly Watershed Coordinators' Meetings**
- **Hosted July Watershed Coordinators meeting** – workforce development focus
- Coordinated with SCWP staff re: **future opportunity planning efforts**
- Attended a **tour of the Pure Water Southern California Demonstration Plant** in Carson (5/11)
- Attended **T.R.E.E. Talks: Saving Water - TreePeople and CWEA Virtual Event on World Water Day** (3/22)
- Attended CA Natural Resource Agency (**CNRA**) **outreach webinar**



Focus on Stakeholders in “Disadvantaged Communities”

- **Tour of Jeff Seymour Family Center** with TIME Community Charter High School Executive Director/Founder and a City of Montebello Parks Commissioner. Tour facilitated by colleague Watershed Coordinator James Cortes (Day One) and led by Claire Robinson (Amigos de los Rios)
- Held another meeting **with TIME Community Charter High School** Executive Director re: potential new project in Montebello
- Attended (virtual) EPA workshop: **Ensuring Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion in the Water Workforce** (3/21)
- Attended **Good Jobs for All Workshop** (LAANE/SJLI) (4/24)
- Re-Reviewed ***Equity in Stormwater Investments Report*** (UCLA/Stantec)
- Reviewed materials from **Sustainable Conservation** and sent to contacts at **APIFM**

Planned Upcoming Activity Focus

- Prepare summaries of Rio Hondo Watershed Area submitted projects (Year 5) to present to the WASC during the September meeting
- Plan Rio Hondo area clean-up project for Coastal Clean-Up Day (Sept 23)
- Support Washington Park TRP team at CASQA Conference (Sept)
- Work on event calendar for next educational and outreach & engagement events
 - Possibly plan a Coffee with Your Coordinator casual outreach event with USGR WC
- Work on a future tour of proposed infrastructure projects for WASC members/community
- Present brief presentations at Rio Hondo Watershed Area City Councils
- Continued coordination re: development of a project concept in FCD R-O-W at edge of Temple City

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- Continued research and support re: LRS projects
- Continued research on potential future project sites in the six (6) washes and two (2) reaches of the Rio Hondo
- Continue to seek to understand community needs and search for potential sites for small projects that could be community-sponsored/community-driven
- Work with T.I.M.E. Community Charter School and the City of Montebello on a potential innovative sustainable infrastructure project that would involve students in the planning and implementation processes



Questions and Discussion

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