

Blue Ribbon Committee for the Rehabilitation of Clear Lake

Meeting #3

2:30pm-4:00pm
February 12, 2019

Meeting Summary

Participants: SEE APPENDIX A

Action Items:

1. Charlie Alpers will send Joe Magalski's contact information to Sam Magill
2. The Facilitator will update the Subcommittee proposal presented in December and present it again for approval at the March 13th meeting.
3. Sacramento State will follow up with Terre Logsdon and Wilda Shock for specific recommendations for potential socioeconomic subcommittee members and propose that list at the next Committee Meeting.
4. Sacramento State will follow up with Wilda Shock about how to best present Robert Eyler's research and recommendations to the group at the March meeting.
5. All comments on the committee charter must be received by the Sac State facilitation team no later than Friday, February 15th, and the Committee will vote on the Charter at the March meeting.

Welcome and Introductions

Caroline Godkin, Deputy Secretary of Legislation for the Natural Resources Agency (Resources), and Resources Secretary Wade Crowfoot's designee to chair the Blue Ribbon Committee (Committee), opened the meeting. She thanked the Sacramento State support staff and updated the Committee that since the last meeting Wade Crowfoot was appointed Secretary to the Department of Natural Resources by Governor Gavin Newsom.

Sam Magill (Facilitator) from Sacramento State's Consensus and Collaboration Program (CCP) then asked for a round of introductions from those Committee members in the room and on the phone. All Committee Members were present, with a quorum of seven present in the room.

Technical Subcommittee Co-Chairs

In the December 20, 2018 meeting, Karola Kennedy and Jim Steele volunteered to be co-chairs for a technical science subcommittee. At the time, Committee members proposed that one co-chair be chosen from the Tribal seats, and one from the County seats. Since that decision, Ms. Kennedy and Mr. Steele left their positions with Elem Indian Colony and Lake County, respectively.

The Facilitator asked for a volunteer to fill the vacancy as a co-chair of the subcommittee, saying that there may be opportunity to rotate co-chair responsibilities in the future, but for now a second co-chair is needed to start the committee process. The following discussion was recorded:

- Responsibilities and structure of the subcommittee might affect decisions to volunteer to be a co-chair
- There is already a draft of a subcommittee structure to direct the formation of the group
- The visions of the subcommittee members may direct the charge of the subcommittee
- An organizing committee could be used instead of a co-chair
- All subcommittee members should be technically competent, particularly the co-chairs
- The subcommittee must be unbiased toward the data they are receiving and how they pass it on to the subcommittee, and be transparent about any contradictory evaluations and recommendations between the members
 - Perhaps a chair should not be an expert in order to avoid partiality
- The subcommittee should review current and past data, as well as proposed research, to make recommendations
- Sac State facilitators may run the subcommittee instead of a co-chair, while the co-chairs or members construct the meeting agendas
- The subcommittee's work must address policy, management, and monitoring components

A decision was not made about who would be a technical subcommittee co-chair. The meeting moved on to review structures and potential membership in the hopes that a clearer understanding of the subcommittee might further inform a committee members' decision to volunteer as a co-chair.

Technical Subcommittee Membership

The CCP facilitation team shared a list of previously proposed Technical Subcommittee members in the room and through the Zoom program screenshare. These included the following:

- A. Greg Giusty, UCANR
- B. Broc Zoller, The Pear Doctor, Inc.
- C. David Cowan, Lake County
- D. Frank Aebly, USFS
- E. Amy Little, State Water Board
- F. Charlie Halpers, USGS
- G. Tom Suchanek, UC Davis
- H. EPA Superfund Site Manager
- I. Andy Zadawn

The Committee was asked to provide any comments or additions to this list. With the addition of a Robinson Rancheria seat to the subcommittee, up to five Committee members may be on the subcommittee without violating the Bagley-Keene Act. The Facilitator reminded the group that membership on this committee may remain flexible.

Mr. Steele suggested that his name be added to this list; Ms. Kennedy volunteered as well. Sarah Ryan volunteered herself, and Paul Dodd suggested Dr. S. Geoffrey Schladow from UC Davis.

Terre Logsdon, Scotts Valley Band of Pomo Indians, asked if there is a water purveyor represented on the subcommittee. Proposed subcommittee member David Cowan from County Water Resources Department might represent that position, and Amy Little from State Water Board has technical water quality expertise, but neither is a water purveyor. Peggie King, member of the public, volunteered to join the subcommittee to represent water purveyors; she used to run the field station and used to work at Lake County Special Districts. Jan Coppinger said that it sounded like water purveyors were represented well enough on the subcommittee.

Charlie Alpers from USGS shared that he will accept the invitation to be on the subcommittee and requested that his colleague Joe Magalski serve as his alternate to ensure consistent attendance from USGS. Mr. Steele suggested that the group would benefit from a modeling expert as that can help ground the conversation. He acknowledged that Dr. Schladow does have some modeling experience.

The final draft list of technical subcommittee members includes these additional names:

- J. Jim Steele
- K. Karola Kennedy
- L. Sarah Ryan
- M. S. Geoffrey Schladow

Each Blue Ribbon Committee member confirmed that the proposed technical subcommittee members were acceptable, as long as additions could be made in the future. The Facilitator will update the Subcommittee proposal presented in December and present it again for final approval at the March 13th meeting.

Socioeconomic Subcommittee

Socioeconomic and Outreach Subcommittees were proposed in the December meeting and discussed further on February 12th. Wilda Shock identified some of the diverse socioeconomic efforts underway in Lake County that a subcommittee could utilize to make recommendations or provide socioeconomic data to the full Committee. She also noted that the Lake County Board of Supervisors and cities of Lakeport and Clearlake adopted a socioeconomic strategy developed in partnership with the Lake County Economic Development Corporation (EDC).

Ms. Ryan requested that the tribes be included and involved in socioeconomic efforts from the beginning phases and asked to be updated about the strategic plan. Wilda Shock agreed, saying that there is now tribal representation on the EDC board, and the EDC has scheduled a meeting with representatives from all of the local tribes. Lake County Supervisor Bruno Sabatier asked that the EDC Approval Contract be provided to all local tribal governments.

The Committee members identified some entities that might have representation on this subcommittee. These included:

- Lake County
- Cities of Clearlake and Lakeport
- Local Tribes
- Business community
- Minority & Immigrant communities, especially those that eat or sell Clear Lake fish
- Lake County Economic Development Council (EDC)
- Key opinion leaders in different economic centers
 - Agriculture
 - Tourism
 - Recreation
- UC Davis Center for Regional Change
- Sonoma State Center for Regional Economic Analysis
- Social Development
 - Public Health
 - Lake County Coalition of Health Providers
 - Education & Career Development
 - Giovanni & Brock, School Superintendents
 - Community College Consortia
 - Elders & Aging

Monica Rosenthal was recommended to serve on the Socioeconomic Subcommittee specifically, for her work with the North Bay Workforce Alliance. Ms. Logsdon noted that the Socioeconomic Subcommittee could have a very large scope and suggested specific membership could shift depending on the topic at hand. CCP will follow up with Ms. Logsdon and Ms. Shock for specific recommendations for potential socioeconomic subcommittee members and propose that list at the next Committee Meeting.

Outreach Subcommittee

Angela DePalma-Dow, Lake County Water Resources Department (WRD), recommended an Outreach Committee in December and clarified that such an effort would be aimed to understand public knowledge and perception of the Committee and then strategically disseminate information to fill gaps or correct misinformation. Ms. DePalma-Dow offered to be part of that committee, as it would overlap with similar projects she is currently leading. She suggested that they might conduct pre- and post-outreach surveys.

Ms. Ryan applauded quality communications and outreach work that Ms. DePalma-Dow has done with the Big Valley Band of Pomo Indians. She also underscored the importance of an outreach subcommittee to ensure that important information reach the intended audiences and produce results. Jonathan London, UC Davis Center for Regional Change (CRC), reminded the group to utilize media for linguistic minorities in their outreach efforts.

A member asked about the need for a public information officer for the Committee, and the Facilitator explained that CCP serves in the role as a public information resource. Anyone may be directed to Sam Magill or Sophie Carrillo-Mandel for more information about the Committee and its work.

Agenda for March 13 Regular Meeting

The Facilitator reviewed proposed agenda items for the next meeting. Sacramento State will follow up with Wilda Shock about how to best present the EDC socioeconomic strategy to the group at the March meeting. All comments on the committee charter must be received by the Sac State facilitation team no later than Friday, February 15th; the Committee will be asked to approve the Charter at the March meeting. At that meeting the Committee will also review draft decision-making structures for making recommendations to meet the goals outlined in its charge in AB 707. Ms. Ryan suggested the Committee review a document she has of past and current lake science research to provide a foundation of knowledge.

The Committee will tour the Konocti Vista Marina before the next meeting to see Big Valley's implemented best management practices. CCP will look into touring the Sulphur Bank Superfund Site for the June meeting.

Public Comment & Adjournment

Members of the public in the room expressed gratitude to the group for coming together, particularly those willing to lend their expertise to the technical subcommittee. A desire was expressed for Lake County to become known as "Big Heart" County instead of "Blue Tarp" County. Caroline Godkin thanked participants and the facilitation team for their time and input and adjourned the meeting.

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Appendix A: Meeting Participants

Committee Members Present			
First	Last	Organization	Title
Caroline	Godkin	California Natural Resources Agency	Deputy Secretary for Legislation
Janet	Coppinger	Lake County	Special Districts Administrator
Eddie	Crandell	Lake County Board of Supervisors	Supervisor
Paul	Dodd	UC Davis	Associate Vice Chancellor
Jennifer	LaBay	Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board	Nonpoint Source Program Manager
Terre	Logsdon	Scotts Valley Band of Pomo Indians	Environmental Director
Harry	Lyons	Lake County Resources Conservation District	President
Linda	Rosas-Bill	Habematolel Pomo of Upper Lake	Environmental Director
Sarah	Ryan	Big Valley Band of Pomo Indians	Environmental Director
Wilda	Shock	Lake County Economic Development Corporation	President
Jim	Steele	Robinson Rancheria	Committee Designee
Brenna	Sullivan	Lake County Farm Bureau	Executive Director
Alix	Tyler	Elem Indian Colony	Environmental Director (Interim)

In-Room Public Participants:

- David Cowan, Lake County WRD
- Angela DePalma-Dow, Lake County WRD
- Bruno Sabatier, Lake County Board of Supervisors

On-Phone Public Participants were not specifically identified

Staff:

- Sam Magill, Sacramento State
- Sophie Carrillo-Mandel, Sacramento State