



## *Minutes*

### **Measure M2 Environmental Cleanup Allocation Committee**

#### **Committee Members Present:**

Gary Brown, Chair  
Gene Estrada, Vice Chair  
Scott Carroll, Costa Mesa Sanitary District  
Wanda M. Cross, Santa Ana RWQCB  
Keith Linker, City of Anaheim  
Grant Sharp, County of Orange  
Mark Tettemer, Irvine Ranch Water District  
Jeff Thompson, Rancho Mission Viejo  
Laurie Walsh, San Diego RWQCB

Orange County Transportation  
Authority

600 South Main Street, Room 103/104  
Orange, California

**July 14, 2016 at 10:00 a.m.**

#### **Committee Member(s) Absent:**

Jill Ingram, City of Seal Beach  
Jeff Kuo, Cal State Fullerton  
Hector B. Salas, Caltrans  
Dennis Wilberg, City of Mission Viejo  
Marwan Youssef, City of Westminster

#### **Orange County Transportation Authority Staff Present:**

Alison Army, Senior Transportation Analyst  
Marissa Espino, Community Relations Officer  
Charlie Larwood, Transportation Planning Manager  
Dan Phu, Environmental Programs Manager

#### **1. Welcome**

Chair Garry Brown welcomed everyone to the quarterly Measure M Environmental Cleanup Allocation Committee (ECAC) meeting.

#### **2. Approval of February 11, 2016 Minutes**

Chair Garry Brown asked if there were any additions or corrections to the February 11, 2016 meeting minutes. A motion was made by a committee member, seconded by another committee member, and carried unanimously to approve the February 11, 2016 ECAC minutes as presented.

#### **3. ECAC Incoming Chair and Vice Chair**

Marissa Espino, OCTA introduced the new committee chair and vice chair.

- Chair- Garry Brown, Executive Director & Chief Executive Officer, Orange County Coastkeeper
- Vice Chair- Gene Estrada, Environmental Program Manager, City of Orange

#### **4. ECAC New Members**

Marissa Espino welcomed new committee members.

Chair Garry Brown asked that they introduce themselves to the committee.

- Jeff Thompson- Vice President, Development Engineering, Rancho Mission Viejo, LLC
- Grant Sharp- Manager of the Environmental Monitoring Division of OC Public Works, County of Orange
- Wanda Cross- Regional Planning Programs Section Chief, Santa Ana Regional Water Quality Control Board
- Jeff Kuo- Professor, Department of Civil & Environmental Engineering, California State University, Fullerton

#### **5. Tier 1 and Tier 2 Funding Recap**

Dan Phu, OCTA provided a recap of Tier 1 and Tier 2 funding. In this recap, he provided historical information as well as examples of projects that have been approved for funding. Also discussed the possibility of a third Tier 2 call for projects.

Vice Chair Gene Estrada asked for clarification/elaboration on the current bond funding structure.

Dan Phu explained the current bond funding structure. He explained that there has not been a need for bond funding but did not discard the possibility of future need. He went on to explain the options and requirements associated with this type of funding.

Alison Army explained the competitive characteristic of the Comprehensive Transportation Funding Program guidelines for applicants and the scoring process. She advised the committee to share their feedback about the current process guidelines and scoring method.

Chair Garry Brown explained the way the process guidelines and scoring method has been improved based on the committee's feedback. He encouraged the committee to voice their comments and recommendations.

#### **6. Tier 1 Call for Projects Funding Recommendations**

Alison Army summarized the 2016 Tier 1 call for projects including the changes to the guidelines (as recommended by the ECAC in February 2016), applications received and the scoring process.

Jeff Thompson asked about the funding match and if there is a stipulation on participation. Alison Army responded that the match requirement for Tier 1 is 25%

and applicants may match using in-kind services. Cash matches above 25% are awarded bonus points at the rate of 1 point per 0.5% over 25%.

Committee member asked if the 13 projects that are not being recommended were still good projects but lacked information. Alison Army explained that all the proposed projects are good projects, capable of performing in a capacity that meets the intent of the program. However, due to the competitive nature of the program, the scoring has to be based on the responses to the application questions and not solely on the type of BMP proposed.

Committee discussed ideas about better understanding the application scoring process. Various committee members shared their experiences with the scoring process and how they have improved the process since inception. Committee also reviewed the scores, specifications and funding amount of some of the projects that are being recommended.

Gene Estrada brought up the possibility of making changes to the application and/or scoring process to help more beneficial projects score better than drip irrigation projects, which he feels are not as beneficial in removing trash and debris.

Mark Tettermer suggested that the project descriptions on the funding recommendations sheet be expanded. He also asked for information on the locations of the trash booms project recommended for funding. In addition, Mark Tettermer asked for further information be presented on the rationale behind the scoring for future rounds. This would help identify the reason(s) why one project scored higher than another and would provide a basis for endorsing staff's recommendation for funding.

Chair Garry Brown explained the rationale behind the project scores and encouraged the committee to express their feedback and recommendations to improve the process. He also explained the geographic factor that contributes to the scoring of the projects.

A motion was made by a Gene Estrada, seconded by Keith Linker, and carried unanimously for the ECAC to endorse OCTA's staff recommendation to fund 16 projects totaling \$2,769,943 for the Measure M2 Environmental Cleanup Program Tier 1 funding program.

**7. Public Comments**

No one from the public spoke.

**8. Committee Member Reports**

There were no further reports.

**9. Next Meeting – October 13, 2016**

