## SUMMARY OF THE MEETING

# CENTRAL FLORIDA WATER INITIATIVE REGULATORY TEAM MEETING

# **AUGUST 15, 2014**

The Central Florida Water Initiative (CFWI) Regulatory Team held a meeting at 1:30 p.m. on Friday, August 15 <sup>th</sup> via WebEx / Teleconference.

## Regulatory Team Members Present

Len Lindahl

Sharon Trost

Alba Mas

Janet Llewellyn

Steve Lamb

Jane Graham

Richard Hamann

Krystal Azzarella

Mary Ellen Winkler

Beth Ross

Silvia Alderman

Debbie Bradshaw

#### Regulatory Team Members Absent

Mike Register

Laura Donaldson

#### Other Participants Present

Several unidentified participants joined the meeting by phone and WebEx.

## 1. Call to Order

Len Lindahl, the Team Leader, called the meeting to order. He welcomed all public participants and took a roll call of Team members.

# 2. Review of August 1, 2014 Meeting Summary

No editorial changes were suggested.

## 3. Status Update by Team Leads and Team Discussion of Near-Term Regulatory Topics:

- a. Per capita: Complete.
- b. **Water Shortage criteria comparison**: SFWMD staff will distribute an article concerning water shortage declarations in Florida. WMD staff will continue work to complete the comparison table.
- c. Aquifer recharge & impact offset sources and programs: Complete.
- d. Resource redistribution: Complete.
- e. Caution area example review: An update was provided and indicated the WMDs continue their work completing the table by providing a text description of the components for each area. It is estimated that this effort will take a substantial amount of time to reach closure.
- f. Interdistrict transfer of ground and / or surface water: Complete.
- g. **Public interest (3<sup>rd</sup> prong test interpretation)**: A status update was given. Information concerning this topic will be presented at a Team meeting in September.
- h. **Conjunctive Use:** A brief synopsis of the types of issues that may arise concerning this topic was given. It was recognized the Team could contribute to this topic by first defining the term and types of projects that may be related to this subject. Beth Ross will work with Silvia Alderman to compile information, such as the scope of the term's meaning and the types of projects that may fall within the meaning, and present this information at an upcoming Regulatory Team meeting.

- 4. Strategies Document / Regional Water Supply Plan Chapter Contents: The Team discussed how to capture the information it is providing to the Solutions Planning Team (SPT) concerning the above topics and how to effectively relate this information to projects the SPT is evaluating. In summary, each Topic Lead was asked to draft a 1 2 page summary explaining the Regulatory Team's approach and Topic Table, if any. It is anticipated that this summary will be include in a Strategies Document appendix. In the event the information generated by the Regulatory Team is germane to a particular SPT project, then it may be appropriate for the Regulatory Team to also provide insight into the relationship of the near-term regulatory topics to a specific SPT project. This project related information would likely be appropriate to include in the body of the Strategies Document. Once the SPT provides the project options it is evaluating, the Regulatory Team will discuss any additional input it can provide. The Team thought it should also consider the DEP's Guidance Memorandum concerning regional water supply plans and water supply project "permittability" in this regard. A copy of this Guidance Memorandum will be distributed to the Team for this purpose. Finally, the Team will include in its Strategies Document chapter a summary of how the Team and water management districts have implemented the DEP's guidance document concerning Interim Consumptive Use Permitting in the CFWI.
- Team 5. SPT Conservation Sub-Team Conservation Measures List: The discussed Conservation Sub-Team request for input regarding their document entitled: "Some Possible Regulations / Mandates / Incentives with Potential to Promote Water Conservation." It was noted that this document contains examples of the Conservation Sub-Team's overall list of possible conservation measures which is still being developed by the Conservation Sub-Team. Moreover, an additional list, provided by the utility members of the Conservation Sub-Team, is also under consideration. A copy of this draft list is also attached to this summary. The Regulatory Team discussion centered on grouping the various, example measures into those that the water management districts did not have clear authorization to address ("No"), those the water management districts clearly do have authorization to address ("Yes"), and those example measures needing further study to discern whether or not authority exists ("Further study"). Regardless of water management district authority, other entities may implement some of the example measures. The example Conservation Measures List is attached to this summary and includes the above notations, per the Team's discussion. The Team also discussed relative water savings of the example measures; this may be an appropriate matter for the Conservation Sub-Team's insight.
- 6. Pending Permit Applications: This matter will be discussed at the next Regulatory Meeting.
- **5. Open Discussion and Public Comment**: The Team noted a stakeholder, Joe Bourassa, submitted an email to the Regulatory Team. His email will be discussed at an upcoming Regulatory Team meeting.
- 6. Review Schedule for Next Meeting

The next meeting, a face-to-face meeting with the Solutions Planning Team, is scheduled for August 29<sup>th</sup> following the CFWI Steering Committee meeting

The meeting was adjourned at 3:20 p.m.