



Sonoma County Community Development Commission
Housing Authority • Redevelopment Agency
1440 Guerneville Road, Santa Rosa, CA 95403-4107

Monte Rio Wastewater Task Group
Meeting Notes
November 23, 2009 – 6:30 pm – Monte Rio Community Center

Introduction

Task Group members present: Dan Fein, Ken Wikle, Preston Smith, Gary Getchell, Suzie Baxman, Doreen Atkinson, Chuck Burger, Jim Quigley, Rich Holmer, Steve Mack, Efren Carrillo, Lee Torr IV, Rene DeMonchy.

Staff Present: Kathleen Kane, Jane James.

Public Present: Brenda Adelman, Ken White, Wanda Holmer, Lisa Amador, Trini Amador.

Review and approve prior meeting notes

Consensus that the 10/19/09 meeting notes accurately represent the discussion at the meeting.

Statement of purpose

Final Mission Statement by unanimous agreement of Task Group Members:

“To define the issues, research wastewater methods, systems and governance, educate the public, and recommend to the CDC, the most cost effective, approvable wastewater solution(s) for property owners and tenants of the Monte Rio area that will allow them to improve and build on their properties and protect public health and the environment.*

**Including but not limited to the Monte Rio Waiver Prohibition Area”*

Discussion of study groups

Study group progress reports

How a septic system works – Rich will make presentation at 12/21/09 MRWTG meeting.
Outline: 1) characteristics of sewage, 2) description of septic systems themselves, 3) alternative systems (by classes).

Regulation – Will ask regulatory agencies to come to meet with Task Group in January 2010 (Regional Water Quality Control Board, PRMD, Environmental Health).

Other communities – Tours of some other community facilities are happening now. Jim is letting Task Group know when tours are happening so that interested members can attend.

History – no activity yet.

Technology (technical possibilities) – no activity yet.

Debate – no activity yet.

Discuss scheduling and communications

Yahoo Groups site could be effective information sharing format. It includes a calendar feature that would help with scheduling study group meetings. Dan will forward information about how to sign up for the Yahoo Groups site that has been set up for this purpose. CDC's website will continue to include meeting agendas, minutes, and other information, as well.

Plan for next meeting and closing

Next meeting is 12/21/09; 6:30 p.m., Monte Rio Community Center.

Meeting Wrap-Up

+ - made a decision

- - none

Adjourn