

Lake Merced Task Force
Wednesday, October 26th, 2006

Minutes

I. Call to Order: 6:15pm

II. Introductions and Roll Call (in attendance):

*Mondy Lariz - CalTrout	*Nancy Smith - GG Audubon
*Erik Rosegard - CPRS	Kathleen Diohep - SFRP
*Suzanne Gautier - SFPUC	*Randy Zebell - CNPS
*James Grant - PRGC	Wendy Bloom - WRT
*Ryszard Dzier - SFSU	Steve Hammond - WRT
Barbara Holzman - SFSU	*James Stark - Lakeshore Acres
Dick Allen - Dolphin Club	*Dennis Shea - SF Rifle Association
*Mona Cereghino - Lakewood Tenants	*Patrick Seetland - City of Daly City
Manisha Kothari - SFPUC	Greg Bartow - SFPUC
David Dawdy - MMPOA	*Bob Maddow - Olympic Club

*Paid members in good standing with voting rights

III. Approval of Minutes – no minutes from last meeting

IV. Public Announcements

- Olympic Club Foundation - Annual Turkey Shoot at PRGC, November 10, 11, 12th. See attached flyer or visit website for more information: <http://www.olyclub.com/>
- SFPUC conducting community outreach regarding local water supply options (see attached flyer)

V. WRT

SFSU Master plan

- EIR public comment was Tuesday, 10/24 – final EIR report will be complete in spring
- URS is EIR consultant
- Presented overview with a theme of connections to community, lake, & open space
- Focus on transportation issues and proposed solutions
- www.sfumasterplan.org (draft master plan & EIR report to be uploaded w/in month)

Lake Merced Watershed Plan

- Wallace, Roberts, Todd (WRT) will be contracting with SFPUC
- Steve Hammond will be contact for WRT
- Environmental Science Associates (ESA) will conduct environmental analysis
- Sherwood Design Engineers will assist with aspects of project
- Nelson Nygaard will examine transportation issues
- A 2-year proposal for watershed master plan looking to year 2030
- Four Areas to be examined: Land Use and Facilities, Recreation, Natural Areas, and Transportation (land use and recreation will be examined first)

VI. SFPUC

Northwest Basin Watershed Plan

- Constructing one of several test wells near Lake Merced pump station
- Depth of 400-450ft. to test productivity flow of aquifer sometime in January

Sunset Circle

- Parking lot will capture and treat storm water before entering Lake Merced
- Water will be channeled through drought and inundation resistant vegetation
- Estimated planting will be complete by end of November
- Approximately 138 parking spots have been lined

Lake Merced Trail

- Trail feasibility study from MPA is approved and one trail is currently under construction
- Not sure if lookout area of trail was fully funded

Lake Merced Water Levels

- Lake levels (see attached handouts) – highest level in last 20 years due to 2 wet winters, reductions in ground water pumping, recycled water at golf courses, and small amount of storm water from Daly City
- Habitats are moving up hill but adapting well; Bull rush still growing
- Will examine Impound lake level compared to South Lake for next meeting
- Will investigate status of fence structure on Lake Merced Blvd. for next meeting

VII. Daly City

Vista Grande Watershed Study

- RMC completed watershed study including flooding, land use, diversion of water flow to ocean via tunnel realignment (more cost effective than injection wells putting water back into aquifer)
- Injection wells solution will not solve flooding issues
- storm water runoff and water retention resulting from development issues, and constructive wetlands will be examined
- 114-165 million dollars with construction beginning late 2009 and continuing through 2013 with complex tasks with multiple projects in conjunction with the Sanitation District.
- RFPs will be released in November with proposals due in late January to engineers to perform only an engineering alternatives analysis on a tunnel alignment.
- The Vista Grande Watershed final report is on the City's website:
<http://www.ci.daly-city.ca.us/>

VIII. Lake Merced Boathouse

San Francisco State University (SFSU)

- The Department of Recreation and Leisure Studies is interested in renovating and operating an environmental/recreational/community center at the Lake Merced Boathouse that is consistent with the Stewardship Plan and that will be a LEED certified "green" building
- An information gathering workshop was hosted by HOK architects on Tuesday, August 8th and was announced at the last LMTF meeting
- Exploring potential partnership with CalTrout
- No commitment or formal support has been communicated by the University President

CalTrout

- Interested in providing an environmental/recreational/community center consistent with the stewardship plan to the community
- Initial concept design completed and will follow LEED certified "green" building guidelines
- Very interested in partnerships leading to a year around youth fishing program

San Francisco Recreation and Park Department (SFRPD)

- SFRPD and SFPUC are discussing the Lake Merced Boathouse RFP and the Lake Merced Watershed plan and will not release any RFP until the issue is examined.
- The Recreation Commission unanimously agreed that recreation should be the priority operation of the boathouse

VIII. Treasurer report

- Current status of account: \$2,155.35
- Attached is a list of member organizations who have paid dues and are in good standing

IX. Committee Reports – No committee reports

X. New Business – No new business

XI. Next meeting - **Wednesday, January 10th, 5:30-6:00 - potluck; 6:00-9:00 - meeting**

XII. Meeting adjourned: 8:15pm