North Coast Resource Partnership (NCRP)  
Policy Review Panel (PRP) & Technical Peer Review Committee (TPRC) Meeting  
SUMMARY  

Friday, April 26, 2019; 10 am – 4 pm  
Historic Yreka Elks Lodge, 332 W Miner St, Yreka  

I OPENING TRIBAL WELCOME  
NCRP PRP Vice-Chair, Leaf Hillman, Director of Natural Resources, Karuk Tribe  

II FLAG SALUTE  
NCRP PRP Chair, Judy Morris, Trinity County Board of Supervisors  

III WELCOME, INTRODUCTIONS AND FOND FAREWELLS  
NCRP PRP Chair, Judy Morris, Trinity County Board of Supervisors convened the meeting at 10:05 am and welcomed all attendees. She thanked Siskiyou County for hosting the NCRP Quarterly meeting and welcomed Siskiyou County Supervisors Lisa L. Nixon and Brandon Criss. She welcomed New Policy Review Panel members including:  

• Humboldt County Supervisor Steve Madrone, stating that he had a long history of participating in the NCRP as a project sponsor and advocate for watershed health in Humboldt Co.  
• Trinity County Supervisor Jeremy Brown  
• Nathan Rich, Kashia Band of Pomo. Nathan formerly was a TPRC member and she welcomed him as a PRP Alternate for the Southern Tribal District.  

Chair Morris welcomed State and Regional Agency attendees:  

• Debbie Franco, Community and Rural Affairs Advisor, Governor’s Office of Planning and Research (OPR). She works on a range of issues, including environmental justice, water, water and energy, and rural community issues. She is a member of the Governor’s Drought Task Force. Before joining OPR, she served as the policy director at the Environmental Justice Coalition for Water and helped to bring Tribal representation to the NCRP governance structure in 2010.  
• Roy O’Connor, North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board. Chair Morris stated that Matt St. John, Executive Officer of the North Coast RWQCB sent along a message describing that on April 18th the North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board approved a Resolution, that authorized Matt to sign the NCRP Memorandum of Mutual Understandings. Matt stated in the message that the RWQCB was excited that they have taken this step and they look forward to continued and increased engagement with the NCRP.
Chair Morris announced that Edwin Smith, Bear River Band of the Rohnerville Rancheria had stepped down from his role as PRP member. Chair Morris stated that he has been a PRP member since 2014 and he will be greatly missed. She read the NCRP resolution of appreciation and moved for the PRP to accept it and have the Tribal representatives present it to him.

- **Motion:** Supervisor Morris  
- **Second:** Leaf Hillman  
- **Vote:** Unanimous

Chair Morris also described that Devin Theobald has been working on the Humboldt County Contract Admin team for a number of years and has decided to change his role at the County of Humboldt. Humboldt County Supervisor Wilson presented him with an appreciation letter and moved for the PRP to accept it. Devin described that his work on the NCRP contract administration team and visiting the North Coast region has been remarkable.

- **Motion:** Supervisor Wilson  
- **Second:** Supervisor Madrone  
- **Vote:** Unanimous

The following PRP members formed the meeting quorum:

- Chair: Supervisor Judy Morris, Trinity County  
- Vice-Chair: Leaf Hillman, Director of Natural Resources, Karuk Tribe, Northern District  
- Alternate: Buzz Ward, Social Services Coordinator, Pit River Tribe, Northern District  
- Supervisor Gerry Hemmingsen, Del Norte County  
- Supervisor Steve Madrone, Humboldt County  
- Supervisor Mike Wilson, Humboldt County  
- Supervisor John McCowen, Mendocino County  
- Alternate: Supervisor Dan Gjerde, Mendocino County  
- Supervisor Brandon Criss, Siskiyou County  
- Alternate: Supervisor Lisa L. Nixon, Siskiyou County  
- Supervisor James Gore, Sonoma County  
- Alternate: Grant Davis, Sonoma County Water Agency  
- Alternate: Nathan Rich, Water Quality Specialist, Kashia Band of Pomo, Southern District  
- Supervisor Jeremy Brown, Trinity County

**IV REVIEW AND APPROVE AGENDA**

- **Motion:** Supervisor Wilson  
- **Second:** Supervisor Madrone  
- **Vote:** Unanimous

**V PUBLIC COMMENT FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA**

None
VI  LOCAL PROJECT PRESENTATION: Boles Fire Water System Rehabilitation and Restoration Project
Chair Morris Introduced: Ron Stock, City of Weed Administrator who provided a presentation about the Boles Fire that ripped through the City of Weed in 2014, destroying 128 homes, two churches, a portion of Weed Elementary School and numerous secondary buildings. One of the areas hit the hardest was the Angel Valley area which is the location of one of the NCRP projects. The grant was efficiently administered at less than 10% admin costs. The linkage reduction is less than 4%. The area is nicely reconstructed and the areas that did not burn are reinvesting in their neighbors. Your grant changed the psychology of the City of Weed. Rural 20A funding to help refurbishing other water infrastructure areas of the city. Fire planning has increased in the city including making the fire breaks and cash support to local residents to manage their vegetation and shrub perimeters. The presentation can be found at https://northcoastresourcepartnership.org/news/

VII  NCRP NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS:
Chair Judy Morris described that in 2015, NCRP PRP approved an election process for the PRP Chair, Vice Chair, Executive Committee and TPRC Co-Chairs, and that the process is outlined in the meeting materials. She discussed that Leaf and she were willing to continue as Chair and Vice-chair and that they made a good team. She opened the floor for nominations and elections.

i. PRP CHAIR: Supervisor Morris
   • Motion: Supervisor Morris
   • Second: Supervisor Wilson
   • Vote: Unanimous

ii. PRP VICE-CHAIR: Leaf Hillman
    • Motion: Supervisor McCowen
    • Second: Supervisor Wilson
    • Vote: Unanimous

Supervisor Wilson stated that the NCRP leadership was not only competent but embodied the ethos of the NCRP.

iii. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS: Supervisor Gore & Brandi Brown
    • Motion: Supervisor Wilson
    • Second: Supervisor McCowen
    • Vote: Unanimous

iv. TPRC CO-CHAIRS: Sandra Perez & Dale Roberts
    • Motion: Supervisor McCowen
    • Second: Supervisor Madrone
    • Vote: Unanimous

v. NCRP JIMMY SMITH LEADERSHIP AWARD; Leaf Hillman
Chair Judy Morris described that in 2016, the NCRP approved a process for a NCRP Biennial award to honor the late Jimmy Smith and the many qualities that he embodied as the founding PRP Chair. The award will be presented during the next NCRP Quarterly meeting.

    • Motion: Supervisor Wilson
    • Second: Supervisor Madrone
• Vote: Unanimous

vi. Review Ad Hoc Committee Membership
Chair Judy Morris described that the NCRP forms Ad Hoc Committees on an as needed basis to address short duration issues or topics. This is a good time to review the ad hoc committees and make changes if needed.

NCRP Funding Ad Hoc Committee:
Supervisor Judy Morris, Trinity County
Supervisor James Gore, Sonoma County
Supervisor Madrone, Humboldt County

NCRP Proposition 1 Implementation Ad Hoc Committee:
Brandi Brown, Redwood Valley Little River Band of Pomo
Supervisor Mike Wilson, Humboldt County
Supervisor Dan Gjerde, Mendocino County
Supervisor Lynda Hopkins, Sonoma County
TPRC Co-Chair: Sandra Perez, Five Counties Salmonid Conservation Program, Trinity County
TPRC Co-Chair: Dale Roberts, Engineer, Sonoma County Water Agency, Sonoma County
Hank Seemann, Deputy Director, Environmental Services, Public Works Department, Humboldt County
Wayne Haydon, Sonoma County

Proposition 1 Disadvantaged Community & Tribal Involvement Ad Hoc Committee:
Supervisor Judy Morris, Trinity County
Emily Luscombe, Cahto Indian Tribe of Laytonville Rancheria

Tribal Proposition 1 DACTI Ad Hoc Committee:
NCRP Tribal PRP and TPRC representatives

• Motion: Supervisor Wilson
• Second: Supervisor McCowen
• Vote: Unanimous

PUBLIC COMMENT
none

VIII NCRP 2019 LEADERSHIP HANDBOOK
Chair Judy Morris described that the NCRP Handbook was first developed in 2011 as an informational primer for NCRP leadership. Over the years it has evolved to be an important NCRP governance document that records the NCRP goals/objectives, decisions and policies. Karen Gaffney provided a bit of background information about each of the agenda sub-items and the Executive Committee recommendations

i. NCRP HANDBOOK REVIEW & APPROVAL PROCESS
The Handbook has been adopted with specific provisions over the years and it is recommended that the PRP establish an annual review and approval process.

Recommendation: The NCRP PRP will review and consider approving the NCRP Handbook on an annual basis.
ii. NCRP GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

Since the inception of the NCRP, the PRP has reevaluated the NCRP goals/objectives during periodic Plan updates to ensure that they continue to accurately reflect priorities that address management issues of greatest importance to North Coast communities. Following are updates to the Goals and Objectives for PRP consideration (new proposed text underlined; text proposed to be removed crossed-out).

Goal 1: Intraregional Cooperation & Adaptive Management

- Objective 1 - Respect local autonomy and local knowledge in Plan and project development and implementation
- Objective 2 - Provide an ongoing framework for inclusive, efficient intraregional cooperation and effective, accountable NCRP project implementation
- Objective 3 - Integrate Traditional Ecological Knowledge in collaboration with Tribes to incorporate these practices into North Coast Projects and Plans

Goal 2: Economic Vitality

- Objective 4 - Ensure that economically disadvantaged communities are supported and that project implementation enhances the economic vitality of disadvantaged communities by improving built and natural infrastructure systems and promoting adequate housing
- Objective 5 - Conserve and improve the economic benefits of North Coast Region working landscapes and natural areas

Goal 3: Ecosystem Conservation and Enhancement

- Objective 6 - Conserve, enhance, and restore watersheds and aquatic ecosystems, including functions, habitats, and elements that support biological diversity
- Objective 7 - Enhance salmonid populations by conserving, enhancing, and restoring required habitats and watershed processes

Goal 4: Beneficial Uses of Water

- Objective 8 - Ensure water supply reliability and quality for municipal, domestic, agricultural, Tribal, cultural, and recreational uses while minimizing impacts to sensitive resources
- Objective 9 - Improve drinking water quality and water related infrastructure to protect public health, with a focus on economically disadvantaged communities
- Objective 10 - Protect groundwater resources from over-drafting and contamination

Goal 5: Climate Adaptation & Energy Independence

- Objective 11 - Address climate change effects, impacts, and vulnerabilities, including droughts, fires, floods, and sea level rise. Develop adaptation and strategies for local and regional sectors to improve air and water quality and promote public health and safety
- Objective 12 - Promote local energy independence, water/ energy use efficiency, GHG emission reduction, carbon sequestration, and jobs creation

Goal 6: Public Safety

- Objective 13 - Improve flood protection, and reduce flood risk in support of public safety forest and community resiliency to reduce the public safety impacts associated with floods and wildfires
**Recommendation:** PRP review, edit and approve the NCRP Goals and Objectives to be included in the updated Handbook, website and updated NCRP Plan.

### iii. NCRP POLICIES

The policies and processes of the NCRP are regularly reviewed and updated by the PRP based on new information and the needs and opportunities facing the NCRP and the North Coast region. Policy updates have been historically recorded in NCRP Quarterly Meeting summaries, the NCRP Handbook NCRP Policy Review Panel Motions and Direction appendix and various review guidelines. This recommendation seeks to organize all NCRP policies and processes in one place as an Appendix to the NCRP Handbook so that stakeholders in the North Coast region have a clear understanding of the decision-making process and policies that guide the NCRP. The NCRP Handbook Policy Appendix was included as Appendix B in the meeting materials and has been updated to include existing policies, an updated policy and 3 new policies (new proposed language underlined; text proposed to be removed crossed-out).

**Recommendation:** PRP review, edit and approve the NCRP Policies to be included in the updated Handbook as an Appendix.

The PRP discussed the recommendations and developed the following motion:

**Motion:**

1. The NCRP PRP will review and consider approving the NCRP Handbook on an annual basis.
2. The PRP approved the updated NCRP Goals and Objectives listed above and directed that they be included in the updated Handbook, website and updated NCRP Plan.
3. The PRP directed staff to send the draft NCRP Policy materials out to the leadership team soon after the quarterly meeting for review. The Handbook will be compiled and presented to the PRP during the July meeting for consideration.

- **Motion:** Supervisor Wilson
- **Second:** Supervisor Brown
- **Vote:** Unanimous

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

none

### IX NCRP PLAN REVIEW AND ADOPTION PROCESS

Chair Judy Morris described that a revised and adopted NCRP Plan that is compliant to the 2016 IRWM Guidelines plan standards will be an eligibility requirement for Proposition 1 implementation funding and provided the following general schedule and approach for the NCRP Plan review and input process:

- May: PRP/TPRC review
- June: Public Review
- July: submit to DWR for review
- Fall 2019: provide to PRP for formal adoption
X REGIONAL FOREST AND FIRE CAPACITY FUNDING

Karen Gaffney stated that since the NCRP decided to change its name, it has been open to adopting new priorities and pursuing funding in a wide range of opportunities. It has also been recognized as a model for regional implementation of on-the-ground project and embodies the intent of the regional planning.

She continued by saying that the NCRP Chair, Vice-chair, Executive Committee members and staff have had numerous meetings and conversations with elected officials and state agencies over the past two years advocating for block grants to the NCRP to continue the work of the NCRP, with an emphasis on forest health and resiliency. Our last meeting in Weaverville included the active participation of Jim Wood and staff from Senator McGuire and Assemblymember Dahle’s office, as well as state agency representatives.

Karen described that the California Natural Resources Agency (CNRA) is recommending the NCRP for a Regional Forest and Fire Capacity Program Block Grant in the amount of $4,037,500. The program is focused on fuel load reduction, long term forest health and resiliency, and the vitality of economically disadvantaged communities. The emphasis for this block grant is on developing a regional plan and list of prioritized, implementation-ready projects. The development of the plan will place the NCRP in a good position to receive significant funding from various implementation sources – state, federal and private. Following is a summary of the PRP discussion:

- Keali’i Bright of CNRA stated that he is really interested in the North Coast developing a regional plan that defines a clear project identification process with the intent of then soliciting and prioritizing on-the-ground projects for a wide range of funding opportunities. He wants us to work closely with other block grant recipients throughout California, as well as Calfire, Watershed Center, and the Northern California Watershed Coordinator.
- Streamlining the permitting for fuel load reduction is greatly needed. If you are working with CalFire, it might be important also streamline the communication and alignment with the Air Resources Control Board.
- The plan should identify the low hanging fruit – what can be done now as shovel ready projects, as well as what are the barriers to planning and implementation. There a lot of integrated opportunities.
- Getting the funding is the easy part. What we do with it is the critical piece and it will be important for the NCRP and its future. It will greatly impact how funding comes to the North Coast region. We are blessed with a plethora of experts in this field.
- The NCRP should do a request for policy fix needs to present to legislators in Sacramento. I cannot think of another entity who can take on this sort of a project.
- We are going to need all the expertise in this room. We hope that the ad hoc committee will outline a robust process that includes a set of options for procurement of additional experts.
- One option for future funding would be to provide funding match for small community CalFire projects.

Karen outlined the NCRP Staff Recommendation:

i. **Funding Acceptance**
   - On behalf of the NCRP, accept the California Natural Resources Agency Regional Forest and Fire Capacity Program Block Grant in the amount of $4,037,500
   - Authorize Humboldt County to enter into a grant agreement in the amount of $4,037,500 on behalf of the NCRP with California Natural Resource Agency and/or California Department of Conservation
ii. Ad Hoc Committee Formation
   • Form a Forest Resiliency Block Grant Ad Hoc Committee comprised of NCRP PRP and TPRC members to advise on the implementation of the CNRA block grant

iii. PRP Direction
   • Authorize NCRP staff to negotiate additional refinements to the Regional Forest and Fire Capacity Program Block Grant scope of work, budget, and grant agreement, in keeping with previous PRP direction and decisions, and with input from the Forest Resiliency Block Grant Ad Hoc Committee.
   • Authorize NCRP staff to work with NRCP PRP and TPRC members from each NCRP tribe and county to identify and select potential Tribal and County Forest Advisors to act as paid advisors on: a) the development of the regional prioritized plan; b) demonstration project selection criteria; c) collaboration and coordination with NCRP staff, ad hoc committees and technical consultants.
   • Provide regular updates to the NCRP Policy Review Panel regarding staff, Forest Resiliency Block Grant Ad Hoc Committee and NCRP Executive Committee actions and agendize the block grant at all NCRP PRP meetings until the grant agreement is complete

Motion:
Supervisor McCowen moved to accept the recommendation with the added provisions:

1. to request information from partners about potential projects for forest resiliency
2. authorize staff to do outreach to gather information

• Motion: Supervisor McCowen
• Second: Supervisor Madrone
• Vote: Unanimous

NCRP Regional Forest and Fire Capacity Program Ad Hoc Committee:
• Supervisor Morris
• Leaf Hillman
• Supervisor McCowen
• Supervisor Hemmingsen
• Supervisor Madone
• Supervisor Criss
• Supervisor Gore
• Wayne Haydon
• Mark Lancaster
• Dale Roberts
• Emily Luscombe
• Toz Soto

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• Humboldt County and Gold Ridge Resource Conservation Districts received funding for a Watershed Coordinator who will be a great asset to this process.
Karen stated that the NCRP will be working within the North Coast boundary and the Watershed Center will be working within the broader California area.

Supervisor Criss stated that small amounts of funding is very impactful for small communities. That is what is so remarkable about this group – is that it provides mechanisms for leveling the playing field.

Supervisor Gore mentioned that SB 45 has moved out of committee and suggested that we need to support it and provide input to encourage block grants to the NCRP.

XI NASA FIRE EVALUATION PRESENTATION
Mark Tukman and Kass Green presented work accomplished in partnership with Sonoma County and NASA to develop post-fire data to support recovery and long-term resiliency planning. The results from this work are likely to have applications to the North Coast region and the State, and are expected to be useful in the development of the plan and project list for the CNRA funded regional forest and fire capacity grant. The presentation can be found at https://northcoastresourcepartnership.org/news/

XII RUSSIAN RIVER PILOT
Sherri Norris, NCRP Tribal Coordinator, California Indian Environmental Alliance provided the following background information. In cooperation with the Department of Water Resources and local stakeholders, California Forward and the Pacific Institute developed a management framework for the Russian River watershed. This pilot effort was intended to contribute to the CA Water Plan Update 2018.

Throughout the Russian River Pilot development process, concerns were expressed about adequate Tribal and NCRP input in the plan development process. And early this year the NCRP Executive Committee and the NCRP Tribal Representatives each issued statements criticizing this pilot and its use as a model. Sherri will provide some background information and present the staff recommendation for PRP consideration and direction.

Chris Ott described that the project was mired in miscommunication. The Tribes in the watershed worked with DWR to direct the agency to work with the local tribal group. This project will be a tribally led initiative to pick up the project where it left off and form a task group within the watershed, modelled after the NCRP. The task group will develop the next phase of the Russian River Pilot and intends to involve a larger stakeholder group later in the process.

Sherri Norris, NCRP Tribal Coordinator, requested that the Executive Committee develop a letter demonstrating NCRP support for local Russian River watershed tribes to work to develop the next phase of the Russian River Pilot.

Motion:
To authorize and direct the Executive Committee to work with Tribal representatives to develop a letter of support for local Russian River watershed tribes to work to develop the next phase of the Russian River Pilot.

• Move: Supervisor Wilson
• Second: Supervisor McCowen
• Vote: Unanimous

PUBLIC COMMENT
none
Chair Morris thanked Sandra for her outstanding leadership in assuring a professional, objective, fair and transparent process. She described how this process relies on the significant technical resources of the TPRC – we are fortunate to have people of their caliber supporting our decision-making process – engineers, natural resource specialists, planners, indigenous and cultural experts. Many of the TPRC are volunteers and spend significant amounts of unpaid time to do this work – this time reviewing 36 proposals. They are committed to objective evaluation which benefits the region as a whole and carries out the direction set by the Policy Review Panel.

Supervisor Morris stated that the NCRP updates the criteria for project selection on a regular basis – taking input from stakeholders, project proponents, TPRC members and PRP members after each funding round to ensure that the criteria used reflects the NCRP’s commitment to regional representation and results in the highest quality, most impactful projects The NCRP Technical Peer Review Committee is one of the reasons that the NCRP is recognized as being one of the best partnerships in the state. She noted that the high quality of proposals submitted and the project proponents’ innovative ideas and local knowledge are a key factor in the NCRP’s success. She stated that we wish we could fund them all and recognized that these are challenging decisions.

The NCRP is one of the only regions in the state that relies on locally elected officials to make these decisions on behalf of our constituents in the region. This is another factor in the NCRP’s ongoing success.

TPRC Co-Chair, Sandra Perez, described the recent project review process and present the Technical Peer Review Committee recommended suite of NCRP 2019 Proposition 1 IRWM Priority Projects. She stated that some of the projects described a real need, even a critical need, though the proposal needed additional work and was not funded. The TPRC recommended that in some cases, the project sponsor receive additional technical assistance and were encouraged to submit for Round 2 funding. She stated that in the TPRC project review process, project scoring is just the beginning of the decision process. Because the TPRC is considering a wide range of criteria, the project selection process starts with quantifiable scores to determine a qualitative decision.

TPRC Co-Chair, Dale Roberts stated that some of the projects received technical assistance provided through the Disadvantaged Community and Tribal Involvement program. All of the projects are multi-benefit. The goal of the process is to have the TPRC present a well-thought out suite of projects for the funding available.

Sandra presented some information about the project review process and the draft suite of projects and recommended budget amounts for PRP consideration and a list of recommended contingencies should a project drop out of the suite of projects for any reason. The presentation can be found at https://northcoastresourcepartnership.org/news/

### NCRP 2019 Proposition 1 IRWM Priority Projects

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TPRC Contingencies:
1. To fund the City of Trinidad, Trinidad-Westhaven Community Water Reliability, Security and Enhancement Project up to the amount of $831,389 should a Priority Project drop out of the NCRP 2019 Proposition 1 IRWM Regional Grant application prior to submittal of the application to DWR (summer 2019).
2. Should a project drop out of the NCRP 2019 Proposition 1 IRWM Regional Grant after the grant is submitted to DWR, but prior to the NCRP Proposition 1 IRWM Round 2 TPRC Project Review Meeting, the funding will be rolled into the Round 2 funding pot.
3. Should a project drop out of the NCRP 2019 Proposition 1 IRWM Regional Grant after the NCRP Proposition 1 IRWM Round 2 TPRC Project Review Meeting, the funding will be reallocated per the policy approved by the PRP in 2018 entitled Project Budget Under-Runs and Funding Reallocation Process (see Meeting Materials Attachment B, NCRP Policies, Policy V).

The PRP moved to accept the TPRC recommendation and suite of projects.

- **Motion:** Supervisor McCowen
- **Second:** Supervisor Hemmingsen
- **Vote:** Unanimous

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Preston Harris, Resource Consultant working in the Klamath and Scott River watersheds who helped to develop the California Trout, Scott River Valley Managed Aquifer Recharge project stated that they are a broad stakeholder team including local tribal support. The goal was alignment with SGMA and provide SGMA compliance. Managed aquifer recharge is a new way to augment groundwater resources and it is a good tool for SGMA compliance. He stated that the Scott Valley Managed Aquifer Recharge Project will augment groundwater conditions to enhance flow and improve water quality at critical habitat on the mainstem Scott River. Utilizing the Scott Valley Irrigation District (SVID) canal system, approximately 20 to 30 cfs will be diverted and applied to identified agricultural fields, during the non-irrigation season, from Dec 1st through Feb 15th using existing flood irrigation turnouts and mobile pumping methods. Project benefits will be measured. They are trying to better understand whether this project is a good fit for this program before resubmitting it for Round 2 funding. Chair Morris suggested that he set up a meeting to discuss the project review with the TPRC Co-chairs.
Supervisor McCowen recommends that in the future the meeting materials include a listing of all the projects in a chart by score.

Sandra stated that there will be a TPRC de-brief meeting to make changes to the process and may bring changes to the process to the PRP for review and consideration in July.

Emily Luscombe stated that there were no bad projects submitted and wanted to appreciate all the project sponsors for submitting such a high-quality group of projects.

**XIV UPDATES**

i. **NCRP Tribal Engagement**  
   Sherri Norris, NCRP Tribal Coordinator, that a number of Tribal projects will be receiving technical assistance along with some pilot projects to submit during the next round of NCRP funding and for other funding sources.

   Nathan wanted to acknowledge Sherri for all the work she has done and stated that she has really improved the Tribal Involvement and Coordination.

   Sherri also mentioned that the Limited Waiver of Sovereignty term has been removed from the final DWR Proposition 1 Guidelines and Proposal Solicitation Process. This is an important change in the DWR process.

ii. **Regional Administrator & Project Implementation Update**  
   Hank Seemann, Deputy Director, Public Works Department, Humboldt County (see meeting materials)

iii. **Notable Legislation**  
   Susan Haydon, Sonoma County Water Agency (see meeting materials)

iv. **NCRP Disadvantaged Community and Tribal Outreach & Involvement**  
   (see meeting materials)

v. **Executive Committee, PRP direction and staff action**  
   (see meeting materials)

**XV PUBLIC COMMENT**

Debbie Franco of OPR stated that it was amazing to come back to participate in a NCRP meeting over so many years and to see how solid the group is and how many tribal members are present. She mentioned that NCRP is considered the gold standard for Tribal participation,

**XVI NCRP 2019 MEETING DATES**

Chair Morris and PRP members discussed various July meeting dates and it was determined that the remaining NCRP quarterly meetings will be held on the following dates:

- July 19 – Eureka Area
- October 18 – Weaverville Area

**XVII ADJOURNMENT at 3 pm**
Participants:

Policy Review Panel Members
Chair: Supervisor Judy Morris, Trinity County
Vice-Chair: Leaf Hillman, Director of Natural Resources, Karuk Tribe, Northern District
Alternate: Buzz Ward, Social Services Coordinator, Pit River Tribe, Northern District
Supervisor Gerry Hemmingsen, Del Norte County
Supervisor Steve Madrone, Humboldt County
Supervisor Mike Wilson, Humboldt County
Supervisor John McCowen, Mendocino County
Alternate: Supervisor Dan Gjerde, Mendocino County
Supervisor Brandon Criss, Siskiyou County
Alternate: Supervisor Lisa L. Nixon, Siskiyou County
Supervisor James Gore, Sonoma County
Alternate: Grant Davis, Sonoma County Water Agency
Alternate: Nathan Rich, Water Quality Specialist, Kashia Band of Pomo, Southern District
Supervisor Jeremy Brown, Trinity County

Technical Peer Review Committee Members
Co-Chair: Sandra Perez, Program Manager, Five Counties Salmonid Conservation Program, Trinity County
Co-Chair: Dale Roberts, Engineer, Sonoma County Water Agency, Sonoma County
Emily Luscombe, Cahto Indian Tribe of Laytonville Rancheria, Central District
John Friedenbach, General Manager, Humboldt Bay Municipal Water District
Rick Dean, Deputy Director of Environmental Health, Siskiyou County
Wayne Haydon, Certified Engineering Geologist, Sonoma County
Chris Ott, Dry Creek Rancheria, Southern District

Other Participants:
Roy O’Connor, North coast Regional Water Quality Control Board
Ron Stock, City of Weed
Cybelle Immitt, Humboldt County
Eric Martinez, Department of Water Resources
Susan Haydon, Sonoma Water
Sherri Norris, California Indian Environmental Alliance
Javier Silva, Sherwood Valley Rancheria
Devin Theobald, Humboldt County
Isa __________, Coyote Valley Tribe
Angelina Cook, Upper Sacramento Region WAG
Courtney Laverty, Upper Sacramento Region WAG
Larry Alexander, NLRC
Ed Stanton, Shasta Valley RCD
Mike Riney, Shasta Valley RCD
Mel Deardorf, Lewiston Community Service District
Richard Nelson, Yurok Tribe
Misha Bailey, Sonoma Water
Lisa Hillman, Karuk Tribe
Charnna Gilmore, Scott River Watershed Council
Preston Dorris, CalTrout