

Lake San Marcos Public Participation Plan Workshop January 18th, 2012 Questions & Answers

- 1. What are the responsibilities of the separate work plans? A:** The Public Agency workgroup is responsible for collecting Watershed diagnostics, modeling and overall technical project coordination. The CDC (Citizens Development Corporation) is responsible for preparing a Nutrient Impairment Investigation Report which pertains to all-inclusive processes of the lake.
- 2. This process seems very confusing, could there be a timeline implemented? A:** Yes, the work plan group is looking into starting a project coordinated timeline that will be available via Lyris list and City of San Marcos website.
- 3. What is the frequency for data updates? A:** Any data updates will be monthly and provided via Lyris List.
- 4. How do you propose to treat the excessive sediment at the bottom of the lake? A:** The purpose of the investigation is to generate a solution for the excessive nutrient/sediment, that being said there are many options; dredging, bioremediation, and natural process.
- 5. Why take any more time? What is the purpose of continuing testing and research while the lake continues to degenerate in health? A:** The treatment process will be expensive and to truly fix the problem all groups involved must understand the problem. The data collection is also important for receiving grants to eventually be used for the cleanup.
- 6. When do both work plans get implemented into actually treating the lake? A:** It's feasible that studies will continue into the summer of 2013.
- 7. Will either group be testing ground water? A:** The workplan explicitly states that no groundwater data collection will be undertake, although the overall effort to establish the significance of groundwater is considered in the investigation.
- 8. Who is responsible for testing the wells that are used for irrigation around (golf course and avocados groves) Lake San Marcos? A:** That's within the CDC's area of collecting data.
- 9. Reorganization plan - If funds are not allocated to properly fund the investigative order will the bankruptcy court be notified and how will it be known if the proper funds are being spent? A:** Yes, the Regional Board would report to the bankruptcy court if proper funds are not allocated to achieve the compliance points within the investigative order. Basically, if compliance is met then proper funding has been achieved.