

MEETING NOTES

**SOUTH CAROLINA ELECTRIC & GAS COMPANY
SALUDA HYDRO PROJECT RELICENSING
RECREATION RESOURCE GROUP**

**SCE&G Training Center
November 18, 2005**

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ATTENDEES:

Alison Guth, Kleinschmidt Associates	Dave Anderson, Kleinschmidt Associates
Randy Mahan, SCANA Services, Inc.	Tommy Boozer, SCE&G
David Hancock, SCE&G	George Duke, LMHC
Van Hoffman, SCANA Services, Inc.	Jim Devereaux, SCE&G
Tim Vinson, SCDNR	Bill Marshall, SCDNR
Steve Bell, Lake Watch	Alan Axson, Columbia Fire
Gerrit Jobsis, American Rivers, CCL	Michael Waddell, Trout Unlimited
Dick Christie, SCDNR	Irvin Pitts, SCPRT
Tony Bebber, SCPRT	Joy Downs, LMA

HOMEWORK ITEMS:

- Each entity will list the issues and goals they feel are valuable and important – forward to Dave Anderson
- Review the ICD and list of study requests
- Read about the SCORP through the online website

AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING:

- Tommy Boozer will give an update on recreation around Lake Murray and associated issues
- Tony Bebber will give a brief explanation on the SCORP
- The group will begin discussion on the issues and goals that were submitted to Dave Anderson

DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

**January 11, 2006 at 9:00 a.m.
Located at the Lake Murray Training Center**

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These notes serve to be a summary of the major points presented during the meeting and are not intended to be a transcript or analysis of the meeting.

Alan Stuart opened the meeting and gave a short recap of the previous resource conservation groups. He encouraged those who have not yet seen the Operations Presentation given by Lee Xanthakos to come to the January 12th quarterly public meeting. Alan noted that the RCG meetings were generally scheduled in the beginning of the month due to agency conflicts with other Relicensings, whose meetings are generally focused at the end of the month.

The group began discussion on the merging of the Recreation and Safety Resource groups. Randy Mahan noted that some concerns arose when joining these groups due to the fact that the Recreation group will potentially be discussing quite a few land use issues that may not directly tie in to safety. When posed a question about what he believed the groups would cover, Tommy Boozer answered that the recreation group would most likely be dealing with land issues and what entities were in charge with handling certain issues around the lake. Joy Downs noted that LMA would like to see the safety group meeting even after Relicensing to discuss safety related issues. The group concluded that it may be best to keep the groups separate and break up the Lake and River issues on the agenda into morning and afternoon sessions. If a combined meeting was necessary then it could be arranged for. Alan noted that it may be important for the Recreation RCG members to read the Safety meeting notes.

The group briefly discussed the need for more law enforcement personnel to attend. Dick Christie pointed out that the group should keep in mind that the Technical Working Committees (TWC) will include members of the DNR law enforcement who might not have time to attend RCG meetings.

Alan noted they had received the second set of comments on the Operating Procedures, and a revised set of the operating procedures will be sent out in the following weeks. Bill Marshall mentioned that the LSSRAC had a comment on the Operating procedures that was in reference to the time of the day during which the meetings were held. He noted that there were individuals who would like to be involved, but could not do so due to work conflicts. One individual then asked if it would be out of the question for agency personnel to come after hours. Dick Christie replied that although it was not completely out of the question, the group needed to remember that the agencies are juggling quite a few things and there is a need to keep the agency personnel involved in this process because their input is very important.

One suggestion that was made during the meeting was for group members to have the opportunity to add items to the meeting minutes after the meeting was over. The group decided that if you have

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any additional comments you can add it to a section at the end of the meeting minutes that was specified as "Additional Comments".

The group began to discuss the draft mission statement and add to it. A question arose as to what the SCORP was. Tony Bebbler noted that it was revised every five years and is a document used to allocated funds. He noted that it contained quite a bit of information that could help identify goals for the recreation group. Tony was asked to give a brief presentation on the SCORP at the next meeting.

One individual asked whether they could submit comments on issues that would then be posted on the website. Alan responded that comments on the milestone documents and such would be posted on the website, however, comments on particular issues need to expressed within the RCG, that it was in fact part of the purpose of the RCGs.

After a short lunch break, Alan passed out a list of study requests relating to recreation that were compiled from all of the requests that were received. A homework item included a review of the study requests in order to ensure that everyone's requests were properly covered and expressed. Alan also pointed out that if anyone feels a presentation is needed to educate the group on a particular issue then to please make that request. Tommy Boozer was asked to give an update on recreation, listing problems and issues. He noted that one of the things that they were doing was working with a landscape architect to look at the area on the Lexington side of the dam where the construction will be. He also added that they will have a recreation map that shows all the existing recreation sites and also lists future recreational sites and impromptu areas.

In closing, the group discussed some of the homework items for next time. Randy Mahan pointed out that it may be a good idea to go online and read about the SCORP. The group also decided that it would be good for each entity to prioritize their interests and have them ready for discussion by the next meeting. Dave Anderson noted that he would send out an email to group members regarding this following the meeting.

The group decided that the next Recreation meeting would occur on January 11, 2006 at 9:00 at the Training Center.

Meeting Adjourned

Attached below is the agenda for this meeting:

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**Saluda Hydro Relicensing
Recreation Resource Conservation Group**

Meeting Agenda

**November 18, 2005
9:30 AM
Lake Murray Training Center**

- **9:35 to 9:45** Introduction
 - SCE&G and KA Staff
 - Resource Agency Representatives
 - NGO Representatives
 - Individuals
 - **9:45 to 10:15** Purpose of Resource Groups and Discussion on Combining Recreation and Safety RCGs
 - **10:15 to 10:45** Discuss Recreation RCG Procedures
 - **10:45 to 11:45** Develop Recreation RCG Mission Statement
 - **11:45 to 12:45** Lunch
 - **12:45 to 1:30** Develop List of Homework Assignments
 - **1:30 to 2:00** Develop an Agenda for Next Meeting and Set Next Meeting Date
- Adjourn