Notes – CEDEN User Group Meeting

Date:　　　　**September 19, 2019**

1. Welcome

2. Updates
   a. 2020 Integrated Report – Since the close of the data solicitation period that ended in June 2019, CEDEN data was delivered to the State Water Board's Assessment Unit for evaluations, whose outcomes will be incorporated into the 2020 Integrated Report (in compliance with Clean Water Act sections 303d and 305d). Staff are currently pre-processing the data (e.g. linking new stations to water body segments, reviewing quality assurance project plans [QAPPs], and adding objectives for new analytes) before it is processed by an automated assessment tool.

   b. Query Tool - Small updates to CEDEN's query tool are being done, including updating the regional board and county associated with new (within the last few months) stations. These updates should be completed within the next couple of months.

   c. Contracts – The current data management (tasks associated with loading data to CEDEN) contracts with the Regional Data Centers have an end date of March 31, 2020. Unfortunately, the Water Boards will not be contracting for these services in the next round of contracts due to civil service constraints. In the coming months the workflows to load CEDEN data, including processing new vocabulary, at the Water Boards will be established. The RDCs will be able to continue to data loading to CEDEN, if funding for these services are provided by third parties.

   d. Modernizing CEDEN –Water Board staff continue to look forward to a modernized, combined CEDEN/SWAMP system, but are progressing slowly. Staff are further breaking down requirements into user stories that capture user needs more specifically and may look to a pilot project approach to ensure key requirements can be met.

   e. The State's Open Data Portal – The State has updated the platform for its open data portal at data.ca.gov. It is very similar in look and feel to the previous one, but will hopefully run more consistently, especially in regard to APIs (Application Programming Interfaces).

3. Wrap-up – The next meeting is scheduled for October 17, 2019 at 10 am.