

**San Diego Bay Watershed Management Area Copermittee
Meeting Minutes
June 21, 2016 10:00am
County Operations, 5510 Overland Avenue, 4th Floor Room 472**

-Attendees:

Organization
Amec Foster Wheeler (Amec)
City of Chula Vista (CV)
City of Coronado (COR)
City of Imperial Beach (IB)
City of La Mesa (LM)
City of San Diego (SD)
County of San Diego (County)
D-Max Engineering, Inc. – Representing Lemon Grove (LG)
D-Max Engineering, Inc. (D-Max)
National City (NC)
Port of San Diego (Port)
SDCRAA (Airport)

1. Call to order: 10:04am

2. Roll Call

- All participants introduced themselves.

3. Time for public to speak on items not on the agenda

- No members of the public were present at the meeting.

4. Approve minutes from May 17, 2016 meeting

- Minutes were approved without further edits or revisions. Meeting minutes will be posted on the Project Clean Water website.

5. SMC Bioassessment Program Update

- John Rudolph from Amec Foster Wheeler gave a presentation update of the Stormwater Monitoring Coalition (SMC) Bioassessment Program, which includes three sites within the San Diego Bay Watershed Management Area (WMA).
 - An SMC Bioassessment Overview slide printout was distributed to the Copermittees.
- Bioassessment is a general sampling term for biota (plants, algae, bugs, fish, etc.).
 - It is the study of associations between ecological health and both natural and anthropogenic sources of variation.
 - Biota is a direct measure of biological condition.
- The SMC is a regional program.
 - Five-year sampling cycle, stratified random design, 68 samples/yr region-wide
 - Four-trend sites county-wide that do no change in the five-year cycle
 - 12 condition sites are stratified random and change every year.

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- There are three sites within the San Diego Bay WMA: one trend site (Sweetwater HU) and two condition sites (one in Sweetwater HU and one in Chollas Creek HU).
 - Two sites have been completed, the third is schedule for completion on June 22.
- After the sampling season (March 15-July 15) is over, the sampling team will manage the data and produce a summary in the following months.

6. WQIP Annual Reporting

A. Report from meeting with the County and SD with Regional Board staff to discuss regional WQIP annual report framework

- Trash Amendments:
 - Expected to come out in December 2016
 - There was further discussion between Track 1 and Track 2 and to discuss the various regional studies.
- The Annual Report Framework was presented to the Regional Board staff. Various sections were further discussed:
 - The Regional Board staff liked the detailed crosswalk outlining what sections address each of the permit requirements.
 - The regional board staff suggested to further address multiple beneficial uses of the strategies and advised jurisdictions to work with other participating departments within each jurisdictions.
 - The regional board staff would like to see a more consistent approach to presenting the jurisdictional strategies and progress towards goals.
 - It was suggested to have a synthesized strategy table within the report and having a technical heavy appendix that discusses strategies and implementation more in depth.

B. Consultation Panel Update

- The Watershed Coordinator contacted the 2015-2016 Consultation Panel members (except for the Dudek employee due to conflict of interest) polling their interest in being a member on the 2016-2017 Consultation Panel.
 - There has been no response yet, however a secondary email with be sent to the Panel members requesting a response.

Action:

- Watershed Coordinator: *Contact the 2015-2016 Consultation Panel members requesting a response regarding their interest in being a 2016-2107 Panel member.*

C. Otay Hydromodification

- County and SD commented on the memorandum drafted by Amec
- A phone meeting was held with Tory Walker to request revisions to the draft memorandum to specifically state that the memo meets all requirements.

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- Tory Walker agreed and will write an amendment to address the comments.

D. Draft 2015-2016 WQIP Annual Report Schedule

- A Tentative San Diego Bay Annual Report Deliverables and Schedule printout was distributed to the Copermittees. Various schedule dates were further discussed and/or revised:
 - Comments on draft framework for annual report back to Amec on was revised to July 8
 - August 1, 2016 is the target submittal date to for jurisdictional outfall data to Amec.
 - A line item was added for jurisdictional strategy data submitted to Amec on September 1, 2016.
 - A line item was added for JRMP Annual Report due on October 31, 2016.
 - A line item was added to hold individual jurisdictional meetings with Amec during August 1-August 19, 2016 to discuss a potential narrative for strategies and progress towards goals.
 - The RP comments on second draft due date to Amec was revised to December 6, 2016.
 - The Final Annual Report due to RPs was revised to December 16, 2016.

E. San Diego Bay WQIP Annual Reporting Schedule

- A handout of Sections 3-8 of the Annual Report framework was distributed to the Copermittees.
- Since the regional board staff has requested a more unified overall watershed format, it was suggested to reformat each section 3-8 have outline like the following example:
 - 6.1 Numeric Goals
 - 6.2 Strategies and Schedules
 - 6.2.1 City of Chula Vista
 - 6.2.2 Port of San Diego
 - 6.3 Monitoring and Assessments
 - 6.4 Implementation and Progress towards Achieving Numeric Goals
 - 6.5 Strategy and Schedule Adaptations
- This would apply to all priority condition sections except for Chollas Cheek priority condition.
- A narrative for the individual jurisdiction's sections under each priority condition will be added to highlight specific strategies and discuss progressive things conducted thus far.
- It was discussed to move the monitoring and assessments for Chollas Creek to section 3.2 to discuss all the monitoring that has been conducted for those priority conditions.
- To address the request by the Regional Board for discussion of multiple benefits, multiple suggestions were made:
 - Add a section or narrative of the multiple benefits towards other priorities within the strategy section of each jurisdiction and/or priority conditions,

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- Add a separate section discussing the multiple benefits at the end of Section 2 Overall State of the Watershed.
- Revise the column in each Summary of Strategies tables will be revised from “Priority Conditions” to “Multiple Benefits”.

7. Regional Monitoring Updates: MS4 Outfall Data Template, Benchmarks

- Time did not permit for discussion during this meeting.

8. Other items (time permitting; no action will be taken)

- The Regional Trash as-needed service request should be voted on by each jurisdiction by Wednesday June 22, 2016 in order to have that cost allocated in the FY2016-2017 budget. Jurisdictions can send in a vote by email to the lead.
 - **UPDATE: The Regional Trash as-need service request was approved unanimously by the Copermittee group.**
- The next meeting will be held on July 12th, 2016.

Meeting was adjourned at 12:12 pm.