

# Coastal Stormdrain Monitoring Workgroup

Meeting Minutes for October 12, 2005

1:30 – 3:30 PM

City of Encinitas – Lilac Room

## 1. Introductions/Sign In

Andre Sonksen	<i>City of San Diego</i>	Paul Hartman	<i>City of Encinitas</i>
Julie Matlaga	<i>City of Oceanside</i>	Dan Cruz	<i>City of Del Mar</i>
Elaine Lukey	<i>City of Carlsbad</i>	Steve DiDonna	<i>County of San Diego</i>
Karen Helyer	<i>Port of San Diego</i>	Kelly Moewe	<i>Port of San Diego</i>
Meleah Ashford	<i>City of Encinitas</i>	Jessica Erickson	<i>City of San Diego</i>
Katie Wurden	<i>City of Carlsbad</i>	Gretel Silyn Roberts	<i>City of Carlsbad</i>
Garrett Williams	<i>City of San Diego</i>		

## 2. Data Collection – Common Grounds Grant Presentation – Garret Williams, City of San Diego

- a. The Common Grounds Grant focuses on the San Diego Bay Watershed and is focused on compiling data from the last 25 years and integrating it onto a website. The grant is funded through the end of 2006 for 1.34 million dollars. It is hoped that this idea can eventually expand into other watersheds.
- b. Project partners include SDSU Geography Department, City of San Diego, Port of San Diego, SANDAG, and San Diego Baykeeper.
- c. The Common Ground Project is in the process of compiling data from various sources and building the website. The platform is based on ESRI – ArcIMS and is designed to be downloaded in a tabular format.
- d. Garret would like to know about the CSDM Workgroup's issues. Some of the issues brought up included:
  - Quality assurance
  - Appropriate identification of field names
  - Using <10 instead of ND for Non-Detectable results
  - Difficulty of trend analyses when comparing storm drains and streams
- e. A Public Outreach Meeting will be held on November 3 from 3:00 to 5:00 at the New Metro Wastewater Lab. If you cannot attend the meeting, Garret requested that the workgroup review the online tutorial at [www.sdbay.sdsu.edu](http://www.sdbay.sdsu.edu) in order to provide comments.

## 3. Draft CWA Section 303(d) List

- a. The Draft CWA Section 303(d) List is now available for review on the State Board website. Several new listings have been identified in San Diego.
- b. There will be a public workshop in Pasadena, CA on Thursday December 1, 2005. Written or oral comments will be accepted.
- c. The public comment period ends Tuesday December 6, 2005. All comments must be to the State by 5:00PM on that date to be considered.
- d. Workgroup members should carefully review the list for sites within their jurisdiction. It is strongly recommended that people provide comments if there are issues of concern.

#### 4. CSDM Report Preparation

- a. Sections 1 and 2 of the report (Introduction and Methods) are not anticipated to change significantly from last year's report. Most revisions will include date changes and/or other modification to keep in line with our current program. The draft versions of these sections will be sent to the group for review before the next meeting.
- b. Timeline – need to complete data compilation and develop the results and discussion chapters.
  - Copermittees need to send all data (lab and visual data) from 3/31/05 through 10/31/05 to the Port by **November 16**.
  - Copermittees need to identify all stations that used sample reduction and provide this information to the Port by **November 16**.
  - Documentation of follow-ups and investigations must be completed by **November 16** and emailed to the Port.
- c. Discussion occurred on identifying ways to use the visual observation data for improving our analysis. The following comments were identified:
  - There are no requirements to track visual observations.
  - One item to use is “how often the flow reaches RW”.
  - Other information that is being collected on birds, kelp, trash, tidal variation and turbidity may be useful.
  - Tidal variation may be useful, but it can be questionable because it is difficult to establish because high tides heights are variable.
- d. More dialogue on the visual information will occur at the November meeting. Carlsbad has graciously offered to spend some time looking at the visual data to determine some findings based upon the most relevant information (as identified by the group).

**Next Meeting: November 16, City of Encinitas**