

**San Diego Bay Watershed Management Area Copermittee
Meeting Minutes
October 17, 2017 10:00am
County Operations, 5510 Overland Avenue, 4th Floor Room 472**

Attendees:

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

1. Call to order: 10:06AM

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. Bight planning update

- A planning meeting occurred on September 14. The focus groups for the Bight '18 monitoring cycle include:
 - Sediment quality
 - Ocean acidification
 - Harmful algal blooms
 - Microbiological water quality
 - Trash
 - ASBS areas
- Study questions will be developed for each of these and continued planning will occur in individual meetings.
- The San Diego Regional Work Plan will be led by the County and will focus on sediment quality.
- Amec will provide updates as the work plans are drafted through FY 17 and as more planning meetings take place.

5. Approve meeting minutes from September 19 meeting

- The meeting minutes were approved with a majority and with no edits.

Motion to approve: CV

Second the motion: County

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- **Action item:** The Watershed Coordinator will post meeting minutes on the Project Clean Water website.

6. FY 2017 WQIP Annual Report

A. Update from Regional WQIP Ad Hoc group meeting

- Dry weather load calculation methods are still being discussed.
 - The assumptions used in the methods last year differed between watersheds, so the goal for this year is regional consistency. The Ad hoc group has come to a conclusion and the methods will be written in the Annual Report.
- The comments received from the Regional Board are being addressed in this year's Annual Report.
 - The Executive Summary is more public friendly with a new visual approach including pictures and less text.
 - Outcomes (highlighted achievements in program implementation, monitoring results, etc.) will be placed in call out boxes to call attention to them. Goals will be discussed before strategies. Some of the progress toward goals will become the outcomes that are discussed.

Action: RPs to review the Outcomes listed in the Annual Report for their jurisdictions and provide comments if needed.

- The Regional Board's comment to address trends and how they relate to final goals will be addressed by discussion in that the interim goals are designed to meet the final goals and if progress can be shown toward the interim goals, then it can be inferred that progress is being made toward the final goals. The Annual Report may discuss how progress toward goals discussion may change each year as interim goals are met and the timeline gets closer to the final goals. It was proposed to include this response in a short discussion on the cover letter of the Annual Report so that the Board at least knows that their comments are being considered.

Decision: San Diego Bay's general consensus is that this response is acceptable. This issue may be brought up to a regional level for consistency.

B. Schedule

- Comments are due to Amec on October 20. The second draft will be provided by Amec on November 10. Comments are due to Amec on the second draft on December 1.
- The Executive Summary will be on a slightly different schedule. The comment dates will be provided as the drafts are prepared. The Executive Summary will be delivered on a similar schedule as other watersheds to provide some regional consistency.
- JRMP forms and fiscal analysis write-ups need to be received by Amec before November 8 to be included in the second draft.

7. Consultation Panel meeting planning update

- The Consultation Panel meeting is scheduled for November 7 at the Port of San Diego. A pre-meeting will take place on October 31 with the County and Physical Aesthetics copermittees.

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- County will provide a memo summarizing their proposed goals change by October 24. Initial feedback from the Regional Board said that there should be maps included, it should be clear why the County is leaving the Chollas area, and to provide more data for the new choice of trash in Spring Valley as a revised goal. The Regional Board also wants to see the overall impact illustrated in the memo.
- Katz & Associates will facilitate the meeting. Katz & Associates will also provide a note-taker for the meeting.
- It was suggested to provide the memo on Imperial Beach letterhead because they are the lead in the watershed.

8. Regional Board Environmental Justice Action Plan

- The San Diego Water Board has held a workshop and has written a draft Environmental Justice Action Plan. The Plan includes recommended actions and proposed schedules. The Board plans to partner with other agencies including Caltrans and NGOs. Some of the key issues addressed in the Plan include:
 - Trash and sewage in the Tijuana River valley (may contribute to development of a TMDL for pathogens and trash or solid waste)
 - Homeless encampments
 - Trash and dumping
 - Education and outreach
 - Restoration in Chollas and Paradise creeks and surrounding areas
- The San Diego Bay Copermittees can keep in mind as the Annual Reports are written that the highest and focused priority conditions intersect with many of these issues.

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

- Imperial Beach has distributed invoices.

The next meeting is tentatively scheduled for November 21, 2017 from 10am to 12pm at County Operation, 5510 Overland Avenue, 4th Floor Room 472.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:20AM.