

**San Diego Bay Watershed Management Area &  
Tijuana River Watershed Management Area  
Copermittee Meeting Minutes  
May 21, 2019 11:00am-12:03pm  
Conference Call**

**Attendees:**

Organization	Name	San Diego Bay WMA	Tijuana River WMA
SDCRAA (Airport)	Richard Gilb	X	
Port of San Diego (Port)	Stephanie Bauer	X	
City of Chula Vista (CV)	Marisa Soriano		
	Kimberly Valenzuela		
City of Imperial Beach (IB)	Wbaldo Arellano	X	X
City of San Diego (SD)	James Harry	X	X
	Heather Krish		
	Joe Cosgrove		
	Catherine Rom		X
County of San Diego (County)	Sheri McPherson		X
	Rouya Rasoulzadeh	X	X
City of National City (NC)	Carla Hutchinson	X	
Wood Environment & Infrastructure Solutions (Wood)	Matt Rich	X	X
	Victoria Apaldetti		
D-Max Engineering, Inc. (D-Max)	John Quenzer	X	X
Dudek	Bryn Evans		X
Caltrans	Roya Yazdanifard	X	

**1. Call to order:** 11:00 am

**2. Roll Call and Introductions**

Participants introduced themselves.

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

No members of the public were present.

**4. Summary of May 17 meeting between watershed leads and Regional Board**

The group reviewed the summary of WQIP Adaptive Management Requirements handout that the Regional Board provided during the meeting. The main topics were as follows:

- Watershed management areas that may require WQIP updates and a consultation panel
- General topics that may need to be addressed in Annual Reports:
  - Groundwater source identification for HPWQCs or Persistent Flow in Outfalls – Jurisdictions should provide evidence when attributing persistent flows to groundwater. They should ensure that flow sources are not due to other illicit discharges that infiltrate, resurface, and appear to be groundwater.

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- Monitoring Consistencies – Regional Board staff raised concerns with collecting data from three wet weather events in the same monitoring year, and suggested that the events be spread amongst several years.
- Coordination with Water/Sewer Agency Plans – If jurisdictions are experiencing difficulty reaching water agencies, they can contact the Regional Board and they will assist with coordination.
- The Regional Board will be sending watershed specific letters that may specify which of the topics listed in the handout should be more fully addressed in their Annual Report.

Other topics discussed during the meeting include:

- The permit reissuance date has not been determined.
- The Santa Margarita and South Orange County WQIPs are more recent, and Regional Board staff expressed that those WQIPs have language that addresses many of the adaptive management items that Regional Board staff brought up.
- Jurisdictions should use third party data where possible in WQIP planning and implementation, and otherwise should consider pollutant concerns raised by third parties.

No feedback on Annual Reports was provided during the meeting.

**5. Tijuana River planning and TMDL updates**

The group reviewed the following items from the CEQA scoping meeting:

- Comments were made regarding trash in the Tijuana River Valley
- The TMDL is planned for trash and bacteria
- The EPA's Diversion Study suggests sites in the U.S. for dry weather flows
- County is still conducting a needs and opportunity assessment for SB 507

**6. Other items (time permitting, no action will be taken)**

None.

Meeting was adjourned at 12:03 pm. Time, date, and location of the next meeting to be determined.