

BAY AREA MUNICIPAL STORMWATER COLLABORATIVE

Steering Committee

Meeting Summary

September 23, 2021

1. Introductions / Announcements / Changes to Agenda

Introductions: Jill Bicknell (EOA/SCVURPPP) welcomed everyone to the meeting. Guests in attendance included Jay Davis, Melissa Foley, and Martin Trinh with SFEI. All members in attendance introduced themselves to the group.

Announcements: Sandy Mathews announced that Jeff Skinner was hired to lead the Napa Countywide Stormwater Pollution Prevention Program. Kevin Cullen announced that he is going to be retiring and that Emily Corwin was hired by FSSD to oversee the Fairfield-Suisun and Vallejo stormwater programs starting next month.

Changes to the agenda: None.

2. Approval of August 26, 2021 Meeting Summary

Jill asked for comments regarding the meeting summary from the August 26, 2021 meeting. Hearing none, she asked for the Committee to accept the summary as written and all agreed.

3. SF Bay Regional Monitoring Program Update

Melissa Foley (SFEI RMP Program Manager) provided an update on the Regional Monitoring Program (RMP). (The presentation was shared with Steering Committee members after the meeting.)

The RMP Annual Report will be available for distribution electronically and printed by request. The Annual Meeting will be held virtually on October 14. Storm water topics include tire contaminants and microplastics. Jill will send the Annual Meeting announcement and registration link to the Steering Committee.

Melissa provided an overview of RMP funding. Approximately 25% of the budget is paid for by stormwater dischargers. There will be zero increase for 2022. A proposed fee increase of 3% per year for 2023-2025 will be voted on at the upcoming RMP steering committee meeting.

4. Revised “Source Control Load Reduction Accounting for RAA” Report

Lisa Austin (Geosyntec) led the discussion on this report. Comments were provided by Regional Water Board staff on the version submitted with last year’s annual reports. The report was revised to only include the accounting input and output methodologies. The revised report needs to be submitted to the Water Board Executive Officer for approval.

The Steering Committee agreed on the following process: 1) send out a revised draft version for permittee review (following the 9/29 MPC meeting); 2) approve at countywide program meetings in October; and 3) approve by Steering Committee at the October 28 meeting.

5. BASMAA/BAMSC Website Maintenance

Jill provided an update on the BASMAA website. Geoff is maintaining the website at no cost and a plan is needed to continue these efforts. Options may include having different stormwater programs volunteer or paying for a contractor. Rob Carson (MCSTOPPP) added that the website is only paid for through June 2022 and would like to discuss funding this on a future agenda. He suggested a work group be formed to manage the website and offered a staff person to assist with this effort. Jill will send around a request for volunteers for a work group to discuss this effort.

6. Subcommittee Reports

Development Subcommittee (Pamela Boyle Rodriguez, Palo Alto): The group met September 14. They will meet quarterly on the second Tuesday of the month. The next meeting is December 14. The group shared information on implementation of green infrastructure and would like to further collaborate on this topic. The Subcommittee needs a co-chair.

Monitoring / POCs Subcommittee (Jill, for Lisa Sabin, EOA): Has not met in the last month but is scheduled to meet September 29.

Phase II Subcommittee (Jill, for Howard Bunce, MCSTOPPP): The next meeting is scheduled for September 28.

Public Information/Participation Subcommittee (Jill, for Suzi Senna): The Subcommittee did not meet in September but a small group of BAMSC representatives met with Karen Cowan (CASQA ED) to discuss the transition of the OWOW program to CASQA.

Trash Subcommittee (Jim Scanlin, ACCWP, for Beth Baldwin): No September meeting.

7. Collaboration with Caltrans

Ken Johansson (Caltrans) provided an update on the District 4 litter abatement plan being prepared as part of Clean California Initiative (CCI). The plan is in progress but the primary author, Anand Maganti, could not attend today's meeting. He hopes to present the plan next month. The local projects grant program had a workshop on September 1 with another workshop scheduled for October 7. Jill suggested Caltrans share what projects and public engagement are being done in the region, so municipalities can coordinate with those efforts. Ken suggested reaching out to the District 4 CCI coordinator for more information.

Public education launch will be October 4th with billboards and PSAs. Education plans to target student engagement. Chris Sommers (EOA/SCVURPPP) commented on the BAMSC interest in coordinated messaging.

Caltrans is partnering with Google on trash management. The program includes using Google Street maps and litter tracking apps to develop trash heat maps. There may be an opportunity to incorporate this effort into trash assessments.

Caltrans is holding quarterly meetings to share updates about litter abatement and share information with local organizations. Jill asked Ken to provide more information about participating in these meetings.

Jill mentioned that Caltrans should coordinate with the BAMSC PIP Subcommittee on the public education efforts. Jill will provide Ken with contact information for further engagement.

8. Collaboration with Regional Water Board

Keith (Water Board) reported that MRP 3.0 Tentative Order is now out for public comment. Keith provided a proposed approach for coordinating the public hearings on October 12 and 13. Comments on the TO are due on November 9.

The start time of this agenda item on the 12th will be approximately 11:00 am. The general flow of the meeting is as follows:

October 12

11:00-12:00	Introduction and overview would include Permittee with a 15-minute presentation
1:00 -3:00	C.3 New and Redevelopment
3:15-5 :00	C.10 Trash and C.17 Homelessness

October 13

9:00-10:00	Elected Officials testimony
10:00- 12:00	C.8 Water Quality Monitoring, C.11 Mercury Controls, and C.12 PCBs
1:00-3:00	C.14 Bacteria and all other provisions
3:30-5:00	Wrap-up

Save the Bay, Baykeeper, and USEPA are anticipated to provide testimony. Keith is suggesting each group have 15 minutes to present in each module.

Chris commented that the schedule does not allow for Board member questions and discussion. Keith is trying to coordinate the schedule with Board Chair McGrath and he will make sure there is enough time for Board member input.

Jim Scanlin (ACCWP). suggested expanding the elected official time slot to include higher ranking staff like city managers. Keith is agreeable to the suggestion. The time slot would be for more overarching comments.

Keith would like to have a list of who is going to be speaking at each time slot to help things run smoothly. Keith would like a schedule and presentations by October 11, but changes can be accommodated. Keith will send the proposed schedule to the group. Jill commented that this is a great starting point and expressed appreciation for allowing the coordinated presentations. Jill commented that the internal BAMSC group will be meeting and will get back to Keith with any suggested revisions. Keith also asked for a heads up if individuals or other groups will be providing comments.

Keith is willing to meet with groups after the Board meeting but before the close of public comments to discuss specific concerns.

Jim asked if there is an alternative plan if the permittee cannot submit their annual report to SMARTs. Keith said we will figure out a solution that is viable. Jim also asked about the Pollutants of Concern Monitoring Report due on October 15 – does this need to be submitted via SMARTS? Derek Beauduy (Water Board) will get back to the group with an answer.

9. Adjourn – Next meeting: October 28, 2021

List of Attendees – September 23, 2021 Meeting

Name	Affiliation	5/27/21	6/24/21	07/22/21	8/26/21	9/23/21						
Matt Fabry	SMCWPPP	X	X	X	X							
Jim Scanlin	ACCWP	X	X	X	X	X						
Beth Baldwin	Contra Costa Co.	X										
Karin Graves	CCCWP	X	X		X	X						
Jill Bicknell	EOA/SCVURPPP	X	X	X	X	X						
Jennifer Harrington	VFCSD	X	X	X	X	X						
Jennifer Kaiser	VFCSD	X	X	X								
Rob Carson	MCSTOPPP	X	X		X	X						
Howard Bunce	MCSTOPPP	X		X	X							
Oriana Hart	City of Sonoma	X	X	X	X	X						
Peter Schultze-Allen	EOA/SMCWPPP	X			X	X						
Geoff Brosseau	BASMAA	X										
Angela Clapp	Port of Oakland	X	X		X							
Keith Lichten	Water Board	X		X	X	X						
Ken Johansson	Caltrans	X	X		X	X						
Wilfung Martono	Caltrans	X	X	X								
Anand	Caltrans		X									
Sandy Mathews	LWA/NCSPPP		X	X	X	X						
Chris Sommers	EOA/SCVURPPP		X	X	X	X						
Derek Beauduy	Water Board		X		X	X						
Colleen Hunt	Sonoma Water		X	X	X	X						
Joseph Monical	Water Board			X	X							
Hardeep Takhar	Caltrans			X		X						

Mitch Avalon	Contra Costa Co.			X								
Reid Bogert	SMCWPPP			X	X	X						
Kristin Kerr	EOA/SCVURPPP			X	X	X						
Zach Rokeach	Water Board				X							
Suzi Senna	SGA/SMCWPPP				X							
Lisa Sabin	EOA/SCVURPPP				X							
Pam Boyle-Rodriguez	Palo Alto				X	X						
Jon Konnan	EOA/SMCWPPP				X	X						
Kevin Cullen	FSSD				X	X						
Imtiaz-Ali Kalyan	Water Board				X							
Lisa Austin	Geosyntec					X						
Rupeet Malhotra	Stantec					X						
Melissa Foley, Jay Davis, Martin Trinh	SFEI/RMP staff					X						