



Bay Area Municipal Stormwater Collaborative (BAMSC)

BAMSC Monitoring / POCs Committee Meeting Summary Wednesday, July 5, 2023

Internal Meeting

1. Introductions, Announcements, Changes to the Agenda

- A. No announcements received.
- B. No agenda adjustments needed.

2. MPC Business

A. Update – BAMSC Steering Committee (Emily Corwin)

Outputs / Outcomes: Received update on MPC-relevant topics and projects at the June 22 BAMSC Steering Committee.

- Received guidance on SMARTS input (contact Emily for further information)
- Discussed having an annual meeting the RWB staff to communicate progress on MRP 3 implementation and focus on dialogue and collaboration. Potential January 2024 date.
- Approved the cost reporting framework and guidance manual.
- MRP 3 C.3 modification tentative order expected soon. Goal for adoption at September 13 Board hearing.

B. MPC Meeting Planning (Lisa Austin)

Outputs / Outcomes: Discussed upcoming meeting schedule and items for future meetings.

3. Regional MRP Reporting Coordination (Lisa Austin/Bonnie de Berry)

Outputs / Outcomes: Received update on work plan for coordinated reporting to support the FY 2022/23 Annual Report. Received update on the Bioassessment Report project profile for the BAMSC Steering Committee.

- Bonnie summarized the project profile for the Comprehensive Bioassessment Data Report; she noted that prior to developing the project profile, a small group met informally with Kevin Lunde (RWB) and Rafi Mazor (SCWRPPP) to discuss how larger statewide studies could inform our efforts; and to better understand the overall purpose for this report. The next step is SC approval of the project profile.

➤ ACTION	Draft a Fate and Transport summary for the annual report.	Jon Konnan	Mid-July
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4. Regional Monitoring Collaboration/Coordination

A. Trash Monitoring Plan

Outputs / Outcomes: Status updates and discussion of the following topics:

- EPA WQIF Grant for receiving water monitoring status (Reid) – C/CAG received the WQIF grant award notification from EPA; the C/CAG board is scheduled to consider approval on 7/13. Reid is developing an agreement with EPA which will be effective by the end of July. We can use match for the period 3-months prior to the agreement, but don't need to document pre-award match prior to the first request for reimbursement. The group discussed the process for documenting match for consultants and municipal/program staff. Next step, RFP for consultant services will likely go out in August, expected selection/contract approval will likely be completed in Oct/Nov.
- Trash Outfall Monitoring Plan (Bonnie) – the Trash Monitoring Plan workgroup is revising the draft plan in response to TAG and RWB comments. The workgroup is also preparing a response to comments for the TAG and RWB staff comments. Schedule/timeline:
 - Revised Draft Trash MP & QAPP to Permittees (July 12, 2023)
 - Final Trash MP & QAPP to RWB (July 31, 2023)

B. LID Monitoring Plans – (Lisa Sabin)

Outputs / Outcomes: Status updates and discussion of the following topics:

- LID Monitoring Plan approval status – verbal comments were received in a meeting with RWB staff in early June; written comments are pending. Monitoring equipment has been ordered and installations may begin in July.
- Coordination on LID maintenance methods and frequency will happen after comments are received on the draft plan.

C. Monitoring Cost Estimate Update – (Lisa Austin)

Outputs / Outcomes: The group discussed of presenting an update on MRP 3.0 monitoring costs to the RWB on September 13 on monitoring costs. Emily will work with RWB staff through the BAMSC SC to determine what they need from the Programs for the Sept Board meeting.

➤ ACTION	Bonnie will send the original cost spreadsheet developed during MRP 3.0 permit negotiations to Geosyntec and work with them to develop updated monitoring cost estimates for the September Board meeting.	Bonnie de Berry / Lisa Austin / Lisa Welsh	July / August
➤ ACTION	Lisa Welsh/Lisa Austin/Bonnie will coordinate preparation for Board hearing presentation prior to the end of July, with goal to present to individual programs in August.	Bonnie de Berry / Chris Sommers / Lisa	July / August

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D. POCs Monitoring – (Lisa Austin)

Outputs / Outcomes: The group discussed POCs Type 4/5 sampling approaches.

➤ ACTION	Schedule a call to discuss potential approaches	Jon Konnan / Bonnie de Berry / Lisa Austin / Lisa Welsh	Mid-August
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5. Provisions C.11/12 (Mercury and PCBs) Control Programs

1:00

A. Source Property Identification and Abatement (Lisa Austin/Jon Konnan, 10 min)

Outputs / Outcomes:

- No source property referral updates or input from RWB.
- The group received an update on the potential for a Dog Sniffing Pilot Study grant application. EPA indicated that this type of study would be appropriate for WQIF funding. The programs don't have sufficient time to develop an application by the end of August. The group discussed potentially working collaboratively with SFEI on a grant application.

➤ ACTION	Discuss options internally and reach out to SFEI if decided to move forward	Jon Konnan / Lisa Austin	Mid-July
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B. Control Measures in Old Industrial Areas (Lisa Sabin)

Outputs / Outcomes: No new updates.

C. Program for Controlling PCBs from Bridges/Overpasses (Lisa Austin)

Outputs / Outcomes: The group discussed the Caltrans SOP and identified questions and issues to raise with RWB staff during the main meeting.

D. Program for Controlling PCBs from Electrical Utilities (Lisa Sabin)

Outputs / Outcomes: Lisa Sabin summarized the activities of the BAMSC Municipal Electrical Utility workgroup to comply with provision C.12.e, including a review of a draft addendum for enhanced spill response and reporting requirements. The workgroup is currently reviewing the document and will provide comments for discussion at the next workgroup meeting. No SC approval of the addendum is required, as this only applies to cities with municipal utilities, all of whom are participating on the workgroup.

➤ ACTION	Hold a 3rd Workgroup meeting to discuss comments/finalize the addendum.	Lisa Sabin	Late-July
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E. Managing PCBs During Building Demolition (Jon Konnan)

Outputs / Outcomes: The group discussed ongoing implementation of the program, including situations where PCBs testing is not required (i.e., when lead or asbestos is abated) and potential implications.

6. RMP Topics**A. RMP Updates**

Outputs / Outcomes: Update on workgroups, status of projects, and collaboration on report submission:

- **Emerging Contaminants Workgroup (Reid Bogert):** no update.
- **Small Tributaries Loading Strategy (STLS) (Lisa Austin):** no update.
- **PCBs Workgroup (Jon Konnan):** Jon provided a brief summary of the major topics covered in the PCBs Workgroup Annual Meeting that was held in June. At this meeting, RWB staff discussed the timing and potential content of a TMDL reopener; a workplan will be developed in approximately one year.

Main Meeting**7. Introductions, Announcements, and Changes to Agenda (Lisa Austin, 10 min) 2:30**

- A. No announcements.
- B. No agenda adjustments.

8. BAMSC and Regional Water Board activities (Committee members / Regional Water Board staff)

Outputs / Outcomes: Information sharing – communication and discussion of current projects or activities.

A. Regional Water Board General Updates (RWB Staff)

Outputs / Outcomes: Receive updates from RWB on topics/issues:

- The MRP amendment for Provision C.3 is under discussion with the State Board, so has not been posted yet. The adoption schedule may push to the October RWB hearing date. Staff updates on monitoring costs would be on the same hearing agenda.
- 303(d) List update – no update.

B. MRP 3.0 C.8 Monitoring Topics (Zach Rokeach/Richard Looker/Bonnie de Berry/Chris Sommers/Lisa Sabin/Lisa Austin)

Outputs / Outcomes: Monitoring Topics included:

- LID Monitoring - Keith provided an update; RWB received comments from State Board staff on the QAPP, which they thought generally looked good.

Keith and Zach are working on comments that identify specific issues to be addressed and will send the comment letters in about one week. RWB will expect adaptive management over the permit term based on lesson's learned.

- Trash Monitoring - Bonnie summarized the status of the trash monitoring plan and response to comments and revisions. The group discussed ongoing permitting efforts.

C. MRP 3.0 C.11/12 PCBs/Mercury Topics (Richard Looker/Lisa Austin/Jon Konnan)

Outputs / Outcomes: Permittees and Regional Water Board staff provide updates on topics of interest, as needed, including:

- Caltrans SOP for controlling PCBs from Bridges and Overpasses - Derek provided an update that Caltrans submitted an SOP for PCBs removal in bridge projects. MRP permittees will be required to implement the SOP after it is approved, although Derek acknowledges the document has a lot of "Caltrans speak", so he is not sure how useful it will be. Lisa A. requested more time for comments and shared permittees' general concern that the SOP is not a specification. RWB staff requested comments on what we need from Caltrans for inclusion in their comments by Friday AM.

➤ ACTION	Send comments and example Caltrans specification	Lisa Austin	7/7/2023
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- Old Industrial Area Control Measure Plans – the Water Board will be sending letters to the programs informing us that the Old Industrial Area Control Measure Plans are not satisfactory in meeting the permit requirements. The letter will provide instructions on how to remedy the plans. He will likely send the letters out by the end of July and allow a few months for a response.
- Source property abatement status letters - Derek provided an update that Selina has drafted letters regarding six properties that have been abated. The letters should be sent by the September meeting.
- PG&E 13267 letter progress – a scheduled meeting with PG&E was postponed.
- PCBs Detective Dog Pilot Study grant application update

9. Approval – Meeting Summaries (Lisa Austin)

Outputs / Outcomes: Approved summary of May 2023 MPC Meeting.