

BACWA'S COLLABORATION & ROLE IN REGIONAL INITIATIVES

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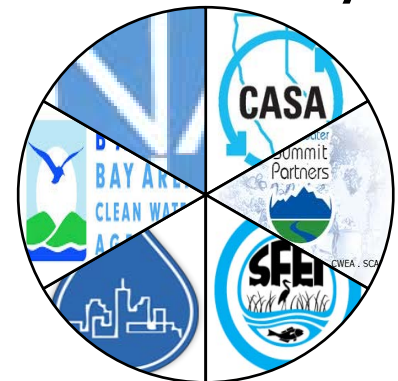
Benefits of Collaboration

- ▶ Leverages limited staffing and financial resources
- ▶ Strength in teaming with other organizations
- ▶ Allows BACWA to focus on key Bay Area issues
- ▶ Avoids duplication of efforts with other professional organizations
- ▶ Sharing of expertise



Key Collaborative Partners

- ▶ National Association of Clean Water Agencies (NACWA)
- ▶ California Association of Sanitation Agencies (CASA)
- ▶ Summit Partners
- ▶ Reinventing the Nation's Urban Water Infrastructure (ReNUWIt)
- ▶ Aquatic Science Center/San Francisco Estuary Institute (ASC/SFEI)



Additional Collaborations

- ▶ Federal Water Quality Coalition (FWQC)
- ▶ WaterReuse
- ▶ Propositions 50 & 84
- ▶ Bay Protection and Behavior Change Group
- ▶ Bay Planning Coalition
- ▶ San Francisco Estuary Partnership



NACWA

- ▶ National association for wastewater regulatory and legislative advocacy
- ▶ Recent Collaborations
 - Recent 8th Circuit ruling on blending
 - Promoting the Utility of the Future concepts
 - Water Quality Standards Rule Making
 - EPA's revised ammonia criteria
 - EPA's guidance for downstream notification
 - Sewage Sludge Incinerator Rule



NACWA

CASA

- ▶ State association for wastewater regulatory and legislative advocacy
- ▶ Recent Collaborations
 - Participation on TriTAC (now the CASA Regulatory Workgroup)
 - Development of state-wide Biological Objectives
 - Biosolids advocacy
 - Mercury Workgroup for state-wide WQO's
 - UC Berkeley Wheeler institute for Water Law & Policy SSO White Paper
 - SSS WDR MRP negotiations with Water Board staff
 - E-Reporting
 - State's Resource Realignment efforts
 - Toxicity policy negotiations with Water Board



Summit Partners

- ▶ A coalition of the 5 state and regional wastewater organizations (CASA, CWEA, BACWA, CVCWA, SCAP)
- ▶ Recent Collaborations
 - Laypersons Guide to Wastewater
 - CPUC Rulemaking on Pipeline Biomethane
 - Flushable Wipes
 - State Water Quality Enforcement Policy



ReNUWit

- ▶ An interdisciplinary, multi-institution research center devoted to changing the way we manage urban water
 - Stanford, Berkeley, Colorado School of Mines, New Mexico State University
- ▶ Recent Collaborations
 - Annual sponsor
 - Participation on the Industrial Advisory Committee
 - Prop 84 grant application
 - Opportunities to partner on developing tech



ASC/SFEI

- ▶ ASC is a JPA with the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) created to help secure funds for SF Bay scientific investigations
- ▶ Recent Collaborations
 - 3 seats on the joint ASC/SFEI Board
 - Participation on Board committees
 - Participation on the Regional Monitoring Program Technical Review Committee and Steering Committee



FWQC

- ▶ A group of municipalities, industries, agricultural, and trade associations engage in regulatory advocacy
- ▶ Collaborations
 - EPA's Water Quality Standards update
 - New Electronic Reporting Rule
 - EPA's method 1668c development



Federal Water Quality Coalition

WaterReuse

- ▶ International group of organizations and individuals working to improve and increase local water supplies
- ▶ Collaborations
 - Provides vehicle for Recycled Water Committee to comment on legislative initiatives
 - Sharing comments on regulatory issues



Prop 50 & 84

- ▶ State Propositions authorizing grant funding of water projects
- ▶ Collaboration
 - Serves as the grant administrator for Prop 50 and Prop 84 Round 1 funding
 - Puts together regional project proposals collaboratively with other functional areas (stormwater, flood control, water)



Bay Protection and Behavior Change Group

- ▶ Consortium of cities and districts in the Bay Area that discharge wastewater to SF Bay seeking to inspire people to embrace pollution prevention behavior
- ▶ Collaboration
 - Sponsor of branding project



Bay Planning Coalition

- ▶ Membership based organization representing public and private entities in the maritime industry and related shoreline businesses
- ▶ Collaboration
 - Sponsor of the Water and Energy Seminar



SFEP

- ▶ Coalition of resource agencies, non-profits, citizens and scientists working to protect, restore, water quality and habitat in the SF Bay/Delta estuary
- ▶ Collaboration
 - Sponsor of the bi-annual State of the Estuary conference

