



# BACWA Committees

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# AIR Committee

Co-Chairs: Nohemy Revilla (SFPUC) & Randy Schmidt (CCCSD)

## ● Accomplishments in 2015

- Hosted a joint meeting between BACWA members & Bay Area Air Quality Management District (Air District) staff.
- Met with Air District staff to discuss sulfur permit limits on biogas as a means of reducing pollutant emissions from POTWs' combustion sources.
- Hosted a field trip to the new Union Sanitary District cogeneration facility.

# BAPPG Committee

Chair: Robert Wilson (Petaluma); Vice-Chairs: Kathryn Gillick (SFPUC) & Joe Neugebaur (WCWD)

## ● Accomplishments in 2015

- Focused outreach toward the primary purchasers of products that contain triclosan.
- Partnered with the Bay Area Air Quality Management District to support the “Spare the Air” campaign to help reduce the levels of dioxin reaching the San Francisco Bay.
- Partnered with the Our Water Our World (OWOW) program to promote the use of less-toxic pest control methods and products in the home and garden through local retailers.

# Biosolids Committee

Chair: Alicia Chakrabarti (EBMUD); Vice-Chair: Karla Guevarra (SFPUC)

## ● Accomplishments in 2015

- Issued Annual Report to Solano County Board of Supervisors.
- Expansion of Membership and Active Participation.
- Expanded Tours.

# Collection Systems Committee

Chair: Lenny Rather (Oro Loma); Vice-Chair: Erin Smith (City of Alameda)

## ● Accomplishments in 2015

- Worked with Regional Water Board to develop a survey about ordinances for private sewer lateral inspection and repair.
- Provided a venue for agencies to discuss drought impacts on their collection systems, as well as preparations for the anticipated El Niño storms.
- Hosted a presentation and discussion regarding how to perform Sewer System Management Plan Self-Auditing, Easement O&M, and Collection System Maintenance during Drought Conditions.

# InfoShare – Ops/Maintenance & Asset Management Committees

Co-Chairs: David Stoops (EBDA) & Dana Lawson (CCCSD)

## ● Accomplishments in 2015

- Restarted Group, and provided outreach to recruit new members from agencies across the Bay Area.
- Hosted robust discussions about the impact of chlorine limits and how these lead to high use of sodium bisulfite.
- Provided a venue for information sharing regarding preparations for El Niño storms that are forecast for this winter.

# Laboratory Committee

Chair: Nirmela Arsem (EBMUD); Vice-Chair: Noel Enoki (San Jose)

## ● Accomplishments in 2015

- Conducted a special 4-hour workshop on microbiology laboratory quality management and quality control.
- A facilitated discussion on toxicology was organized by lab committee with Nautilus Environmental scientists.
- Formed a workgroup on microplastics with the charge to 'characterize and quantify microplastics in wastewater treatment plant effluent'.

# Permits Committee

Chair: Amanda Roa (DDSD); Vice-Chair: Eric Dunlavey (San Jose)

## ● Accomplishments in 2015

- Worked with member agencies to assure the Nutrient Watershed Permit provisions are being met.
- Developed a monitoring reduction proposal that formed the basis for the Alternative Monitoring Reduction Tentative Order.
- Worked with Regional Water Board to update permit language for North Bay shallow dischargers' dry weather discharge prohibition time periods.



# Pretreatment Committee

Co-Chairs: Kirsten Struve (Palo Alto) & Tim Potter (CCCSD)

## ● Accomplishments in 2015

- Organized successful training on sampling and recordkeeping for field staff.
- Began coordination on regional mobile washer guidelines.
- Continued information exchange among pretreatment program and meetings with regulators.

# Recycled Water Committee

Co-Chairs: Rhodora Biagtan (DSRSD) & Leah Walker (Petaluma)

## ● Accomplishments in 2015

- Developed the Truck Fill Guide to let contractors, Caltrans and other potential customers know about where they can procure recycled water for nonpotable uses.
- Participated in the BAIRWM process to develop a Regional application to DWR.
- Hosted a workshop to discuss the development of Surface Water Augmentation Regulations.