



BAPPG Meeting Notes

Wednesday June 3, 2020, 10am

1. Introductions and Announcements

There were 28 attendees representing 21 Bay Area Agencies.

Announcements: Robert Wilson has accepted a new position at the City of Santa Rosa, but his involvement with BAPPG is not changing. For FY20/21, Robert, along with Autumn Cleave (SFPUC) are continuing as co-chairs and Joe Neugebauer (WCWD) is continuing as vice-chair.

2. Regional Board Announcements—Debbie Phan

a. **2020 Dr. Teng-chung Wu Pollution Prevention Award:** The Regional Board is currently accepting nominations for the 2020 Dr. Teng-chung Wu Pollution Prevention Award. If you know anyone or any agency that has exemplified pollution prevention, please send a description of the nominee to [Debbie Phan](#). Nominations must be sent in by July 10 and the recipient will be formally announced at the Regional Water Board's September Board meeting to coincide with Pollution Prevention week.

b. **Service Boundaries Map:** RWB staff has been working on creating a map for collection systems/POTW service areas in the Bay Area. Effort is on hold while staff works from home now.

3. Updates

a. Steering Committee

- Spring campaign: started off with flea/tick messaging (through 3/30, 398 click to Baywise “your pets” page). Campaign shifted to wipes in April, to address the COVID-19 crisis. The wipes campaign has been very successful with over 100,000 people watching the [video](#) from Central San. SGA will send a final campaign report to the committee, to be added to the BAPPG Annual Report.
- Budget: may need to use funds from “unplanned issues” line item as well as other BACWA funding, to ensure sufficient funding available for final FY invoices from TDC Environmental and SGA.

b. BACWA Board

- No updates were shared.

c. OWOW

- No updates were shared.

d. CWEA

- CWEA Annual Conference – postponed to October 27-30, Reno, NV
- The P3S Committee is recruiting for a secretary; if you know someone in the Bay Area or NorCal who is interested, please contact Susan Hiestand.
- Next P3S training is offered Wed 6/17 9a-11:30a. The event is free; [registration](#) required.

- 2021 P3S Conference is being planned for Monterey. The planning committee is asking for [input](#) on sessions. A call for presentation will go out in the next few weeks.

e. Pesticides Committee Update

- BAPPG signed on to a comment [letter](#) submitted May 15 and developed by the California Product Stewardship Council in support of listing carpets and rugs containing Perfluoroalkyl or Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) as a 'Priority Product' under DTSC's Safer Consumer Products Program.
- Committee is currently reviewing several letters on EPA site assessment. Also asking for analysis of indoor exposure pathway in pyrethroids evaluation.

4. Budget

Committee budget for FY20 is on target; see also report from Steering Committee above.

5. Website Update

Baywise.org 'featured articles' on homepage were recently updated to add wipes advisory.

6. General Business

Committee discussed topics for future meetings:

- August: Annual Pollutant Prioritization Meeting. The group will select the pollutants that will be the focus for the next fiscal year (FY21/22).
- Later: maybe a training on building virtual outreach campaigns (especially for school outreach).

7. Featured presentation: Pollution Prevention in the time of COVID-19.

- The featured presentation focused on agencies' experiences adapting their pollution prevention programs to the new norms of the COVID-19 public health emergency. SFPUC, West County, Palo Alto, and SVCW [presented](#) on their experiences by a round table discussion where attendees share other agencies' experiences.
- Activities such as public outreach, pretreatment inspections, etc. can be challenging in these times.
- Common approaches for operational changes are staggered shifts, face coverings and health checks (for staff and visitors alike), working from home when possible, reducing sampling and inspections at businesses.
- Common themes for changes in outreach include holding more virtual events, focus on social media presence, shift to virtual classrooms.

8. Next meeting – August 5, 2020, 10am – 12pm. In person at the Elihu M Harris Building, Room 12, or teleconference only (TBD).