BACWA BAY AREA CLEAN WATER AGENCIES

**Executive Board Meeting**
**AGENDA**
**Friday, February 17, 2023 9:00 AM - 12:30 PM (PDT)**

To attend the meeting via Zoom or submit a comment please request access.

| | Agenda Item | | Time | Pages |
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| | **ROLL CALL, INTRODUCTIONS, AND TELECONFERENCE ETIQUETTE** | | **9:00 AM** | |
| | **PUBLIC COMMENT** | Guidelines | **9:05 AM** | |
| | **CONSIDERATION TO TAKE AGENDA ITEMS OUT OF ORDER** | | | |
| | **CONSENT CALENDAR** | | **9:15 AM** | |
| 1 | Resolution to continue teleconferencing Executive Board meetings (AB361) | | | **3-4** |
| 2 | January 17, 2023 BACWA Special Board Meeting minutes | | | **5-7** |
| 3 | January 20, 2023 BACWA Executive Board meeting minutes | | | **8-12** |
| 4 | Feb 3, 2023 BACWA NST Special Executive Board meeting minutes | | | **13-14** |
| 5 | December 2022 Treasurer's Report | | | **15-24** |
| | **POLICY/STRATEGIC** | | **9:30 AM** | |
| 6 | Discussion: Communications RFQ | | | **25-30** |
| 7 | Discussion: BAPPG Professional Training Support RFQ | | | **30-34** |
| 8 | Informational: Sustainable Pest Management Representation | SPM Roadmap | | **35-36** |
| 9 | Discussion: Feb 9 BACWA/BAAQMD Reg 2 Workgroup meeting debrief | | | **37-38** |
| 10 | Discussion: SSS WDR next steps | | | **39-40** |
| 11 | Discussion: SFEP/TRUW Equity Workshop for Wastewater - March 7 | Registration link | | |
| 12 | Informational: PFAS data schedule | | | |
| 13 | Informational: Air toxics testing update | | | |
| | **OPERATIONAL** | | **10:00 AM** | |
| 14 | Discussion: Annual Meeting Draft Program | | | **41** |
| 15 | Discussion: Draft FY24 Budget | | | **42-49** |
| 16 | Informational: BACC Update | | | |
| | **BREAK** | | **10:45 AM** | |
| | **NUTRIENTS** | | **11:00 AM** | |
| 17 | Discussion: Nutrients | | | |
| | a. Technical Work | | | |
| | i. Modeling Advisory Group update | | | **50-56** |
| | ii. SCCWRP Update | | | |
| | b. Regulatory | | | |
| | i. 2022 GAR Submission | Group Annual Report | | |
| | ii. 2023 Science Plan Update Submission | | | |
| | iii. Debrief from 2/3 NST meeting | | | |
| | iv. Five year plan to draw down excess CBC reserces | | | **57-61** |
| | c. Governance | | | |
| | i. Feb 1 Planning Subcommittee minutes | | | |
| | **REPORTS** | | **12:20 PM** | |
| 18 | Committee Reports | | | **62-68** |
| 19 | Member highlights | | | |
| 20 | Executive Director Report | | | **69-70** |
| 21 | Board Calendar and Action Items | | | **71-72** |
| 22 | Regulatory Program Manager Report | | | **73** |
| 23 | Other BACWA Representative Reports | | | **74-81** |
| | a. RMP Technical Review Committee | Mary Lou Esparza, Yuyun Shang, Samantha Engelage | | |
| | b. RMP Steering Committee | Karin North; Amanda Roa; Eric Dunlavey | | |
| | c. Summit Partners | Lorien Fono; Amit Mutsuddy | | |
| | d. ASC/SFEI | Lorien Fono; Amit Mutsuddy; Lori Schectel | | |
| | e. Nutrient Governance Steering Committee | Eric Dunlavey; alternates: Lori Schectel | | |

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| e.i Nutrient Planning Subgroup | Eric Dunlavey | | |
| f. SWRCB Nutrient SAG | Lorien Fono | | |
| h. BAIRWMP | Cheryl Munoz; Florence Wedington; Lorien Fono | | |
| i. NACWA Emerging Contaminants | Karin North; Melody LaBella | | |
| j. CASA State Legislative Committee | Lori Schectel | | |
| k. CASA Regulatory Workgroup | Lorien Fono; Mary Cousins | | |
| l. RMP Microplastics Liaison | Artem Dyachenko | | |
| m. Bay Area Regional Reliability Project | Jackie Zipkin | | |
| n. WateReuse Working Group | Cheryl Munoz | | |
| o. San Francisco Estuary Partnership | Lorien Fono; Jackie Zipkin | | |
| p. CPSC Policy Education Advisory Committee | Colleen Henry | | |
| q. California Ocean Protection Council | Lorien Fono | | |
| r. Countywide Water Reuse Master Plan | Karin North, Pedro Hernandez | | |
| s. CHARG - Coastal Hazards Adaptation Resiliency Group | Jackie Zipkin | | |
| t. California Water Quality Monitoring Council | Lorien Fono | | |
| 23 **SUGGESTIONS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS** | | **12:29 PM** | |
| **NEXT MEETING** | | | |
| **The next meeting of the Board is scheduled for March 17, 2023** | | | |
| **ADJOURNMENT** | | **12:30 PM** | |

**BAY AREA CLEAN WATER AGENCIES**
**RESOLUTION NO. R-23-08**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REMOTE TELECONFERENCE MEETINGS PURSUANT TO AB 361**

WHEREAS, all Bay Area Clean Water Agencies (BACWA) meetings are open and public, as required by the Ralph M. Brown Act (Cal. Gov. Code 54950 – 54963), so that any member of the public may attend, participate, and watch BACWA's legislative bodies conduct their business; and

WHEREAS, on March 4, 2020, Governor Newsom declared a State of Emergency to make additional resources available, formalize emergency actions already underway across multiple state agencies and departments, and help the State prepare for an anticipated broader spread of the novel coronavirus disease 2019 ("COVID-19"); and

WHEREAS, On March 17, 2020, in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, Governor Newsom issued Executive Order N-29-20 suspending certain provisions of the Ralph M. Brown Act in order to allow local legislative bodies to conduct meetings telephonically or by other means; and

WHEREAS, as a result of Executive Order N-29-20, staff set up virtual meetings for all BACWA Executive Board meetings; and

WHEREAS, on June 11, 2021, Governor Newsom issued Executive Order N-08-21, which, effective September 30, 2021, repealed the provisions of Executive Order N29-20 that allowed local legislative bodies to conduct meetings telephonically or by other means; and

WHEREAS, on September 16, 2021, Governor Newsom signed AB 361 (2021), which allows for local legislative bodies and advisory bodies to continue to conduct meetings via teleconferencing under specified conditions and includes a requirement that the BACWA Executive Board make specified findings. AB 361 (2021) took effect immediately; and

WHEREAS, in order for legislative bodies to continue to conduct meetings via teleconferencing pursuant to AB 361 (2021), a proclaimed State of Emergency must exist; and

WHEREAS, AB 361 (2021) further requires that State or local officials have imposed or recommended measures to promote social distancing, or, requires that the legislative body determines that meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health and safety of attendees; and

WHEREAS, such conditions now exist in BACWA's jurisdiction, specifically, Governor Newsom has declared a State of Emergency due to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention ("CDC") continues to recommend physical distancing of at least 6 feet from others outside the household; and

WHEREAS, local county health jurisdictions continue to recommend physical and social distancing as a COVID-19 mitigation strategy and

WHEREAS, because of the prevalence of highly contagious variants of COVID-19, the BACWA Executive Board is concerned about the health and safety of all individuals who intend to attend BACWA Executive Board and Committee meetings; and

WHEREAS, the BACWA Executive Board desires to provide a way for Executive Boarders, staff, and members of the public to participate in meetings remotely, without having to attend meetings in person; and

WHEREAS, the BACWA Executive Board hereby finds that the presence of COVID-19 and the prevalence of cases due to the Omicron variant would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees, including the legislative bodies and staff, should BACWA's legislative bodies hold in person meetings; and

WHEREAS, BACWA shall ensure that its meetings comply with the provisions required by AB 361 (2021) for holding teleconferenced meetings.

**BAY AREA CLEAN WATER AGENCIES**
**RESOLUTION NO. R-23-08**

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Executive Board of the Bay Area Clean Water Agencies hereby declares as follows:

1. The above recitals are true and correct, and incorporated into this Resolution.
2. In compliance with AB 361 (2021), and in order to continue to conduct teleconference meetings without complying with the usual teleconference meeting requirements of the Brown Act, the BACWA Executive Board makes the following findings:
    a. The BACWA Executive Board has considered the circumstances of the State of Emergency; and
    b. The State of Emergency, as declared by the Governor, continues to directly impact the ability of the BACWA Executive Board and BACWA's legislative bodies, as well as staff and members of the public, from meeting safely in person; and
    c. The CDC continues to recommend physical distancing of at least six feet due to COVID-19 and as a result of the presence of highly contagious variants of COVID-19, meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees, the legislative bodies and staff.
3. The BACWA Executive Board may continue to meet remotely in compliance with AB 361, in order to better ensure the health and safety of the public.
4. The BACWA Executive Board will revisit the need to conduct meetings remotely within thirty (30) days of the adoption of this resolution.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 17th DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2023.

Amit Mutsuddy
Chair of the Bay Area Clean Water Agencies Executive Board

ATTEST:

Lorien J. Fono
Executive Director, Bay Area Clean Water Agencies

# Special Executive Board Meeting Minutes
# Joint Meeting with Regional Water Board Staff

January 17, 2023

**ROLL CALL AND INTRODUCTIONS**

**Executive Board Representatives:** Lori Schectel (Central Contra Costa Sanitary District); Eric Dunlavey (San José), Amit Mutsuddy (EBMUD); Jacqueline Zipkin (East Bay Dischargers Authority); Amy Chastain (SFPUC).

**Other Attendees:**

| Name | Agency/Company |
|---|---|
| Lorien Fono | BACWA |
| Mary Cousins | BACWA |
| Mary Lou Esparza | Central Contra Costa Sanitary District |
| David Donovan | City of Hayward |
| Michael Connor | Consultant |
| Alicia Chakrabarti | EBMUD |
| Eileen White | Regional Water Board |
| Tom Mumley | Regional Water Board |
| Bill Johnson | Regional Water Board |
| Robert Schlipf | Regional Water Board |
| James Parrish | Regional Water Board |
| Tom Hall | EOA |
| Jennie Pang | SFPUC |

Amit Mutsuddy began the meeting at 3:03 pm and led the attendees through introductions. There was no public comment.

**AGENDA ITEMS**

Agenda **Item 1 – Agency Updates**

Agencies provide updates on their current staffing and COVID return-to-work protocols. EBMUD's COVID emergency declaration ended on January 1. Central San will be soon recruiting a Director of Engineering & Technical Services and a Director of Operations. EBDA shared that a Draft EIR for a Cargill brine disposal project is available on the EBDA website; comments are due February 17th. James Parrish has been promoted within the NPDES division, and will be sharing some individual NPDES permitting responsibilities with Robert Schlipf.

Agenda **Item 2 – Storm Management**

Attendees discussed the impacts of extreme wet weather in late December and early January. The Regional Water Board has received numerous reports of Sanitary Sewer Overflows (SSOs) and other types of spills. There were about 90 calls regarding unauthorized discharges over the period December 30th to January 3rd, and about 30 calls later in January. Regional Water Board

staff plan to prepare a brief report summarizing the unauthorized discharges. Attendees noted the need to continue focusing on asset management, climate change planning (including rising groundwater), and coordination with stormwater and flood control agencies.

Agenda **Item 3 – Nutrients**
The BACWA ED shared that BACWA is meeting individually with member agencies to identify projects that can be identified as potential load reductions in the 3rd Nutrient Watershed Permit. In many cases, the magnitude and timing for project implementation for is highly uncertain (due to treatment complexity, funding, equipment availability, partnering with multiple stakeholders, etc.), so BACWA will be requesting flexibility in the 3rd Nutrient Watershed Permit to reflect this. Regional Water Board staff stated that they plan to make a finding of reasonable potential in the 3rd Watershed Permit, which will lead to water quality-based requirements for nutrient load reductions (rather than antidegradation-based limits). Regional Water Board staff also proposed interim limits and compliance schedules of up to 10 years.

For the technical studies required by the 2nd Watershed Permit (recycled water and nature-based solutions), there will need to be a sign-off from each agency for each final report. This is true even if the report does not include significant details for that agency.

Agenda **Item 4 – Recycled Water**
Regional Water Board staff noted that there is an expectation from the State Water Board that there will be a substantial increase in recycled water over the next 15 years, as identified in the Governor's Water Supply Strategy. Tom Mumley and Maggie Monahan will be participating in the recycled water "Strike Team" with State Water Board staff.

Agenda **Item 5 – Air permitting**
BAAQMD's new Executive Officer, Dr. Philip Fine, will be starting in February, at which point it will be appropriate to share concerns about permit backlog and other air permitting issues.

Agenda **Item 6 – Climate Change Resiliency**
BACWA will be conferring internally with its members to identify an appropriate way to compile climate change adaptation plans on an ongoing basis. BACWA and Regional Water Board staff both plan to participate in BCDC's forthcoming Regional Shoreline Adaptation planning process.

Agenda **Item 7 – Miscellaneous Coordination**

- BACWA is assisting members with rollout of the reissued SSS-WDR, which has an effective date of June 5, 2023. James Parrish and Michael Chee are the points of contact at the Regional Water Board.
- SFEP will host a workshop on March 7th for the wastewater sector related to diversity, equity, including and justice initiatives.
- Per new legislation regarding environmental justice in water policy (AB 2108), NPDES permits that include compliance schedules that don't meet water quality objectives would need to contain special findings. Permits that result in full compliance with water quality objectives would not have to contain special findings.

- Regional Water Board will provide additional updates on the Toxicity Policy and Chlorine Basin Plan Amendments soon.
- Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Justice initiatives - March 7 SFEP wastewater workshop

Agenda **Item 8 – Annual Events**
The BACWA Annual Meeting will take place at the David Brower center in Berkeley on May 5, 2023. The Pardee Technical Seminar is scheduled for September 8, 2023.

Agenda **Item 9 – Future Meetings**
Future meetings will need to occur in-person format to comply with the Brown Act now that the COVID emergency declaration has ended.

The meeting was adjourned at 5 PM.

# BACWA Executive Board Meeting Minutes

**January 20, 2023**

**ROLL CALL AND INTRODUCTIONS**

**Executive Board Representatives:** Amy Chastain (San Francisco Public Utilities Commission); Eric Dunlavey (City of San Jose); Jackie Zipkin (East Bay Dischargers Authority); Lori Schectel (Central Contra Costa Sanitary District); Amit Mutsuddy (East Bay Municipal Utility District).

**Other Attendees and Guests:**

| Name | Agency/Company |
|---|---|
| Amanda Roa | Delta Diablo |
| Andrew Damron | Napa Sanitation |
| Azalea Mitch | City of San Mateo |
| Dave Senn | SFEI |
| Irene Chu | Hazen and Sawyer |
| Jennifer Dyment | BACWA |
| Jennifer Voccola-Brown | City of San Jose |
| Lorien Fono | BACWA |
| Mary Cousins | BACWA |
| Mary Lou Esparza | CCCSD |
| Meg Herston | FSSD |
| Melody Tovar | City of Sunnyvale |
| Michael Connor | Consultant |
| RJ Suokko | Sanitary District 2 & Corte Madera |
| Steve Moore | RVSD |
| Talyon Sortor | FSSD |
| Tom Hall | EOA |

**Amit started meeting at 9:02 am**

**ROLL CALL, INTRODUCTIONS, AND TELECONFERENCE ETIQUETTE**

**PUBLIC COMMENT None**

**CONSIDERATION TO TAKE AGENDA ITEMS OUT OF ORDER None**

**Agenda Items**

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

**1 Resolution to continue teleconferencing Executive Board meetings (AB361)**

**2 December 16, 2022 BACWA Executive Board meeting minutes**

**3 January 6, 2023 NST Special Executive Board meeting minutes**

**4 November 2022 Treasurer's Report**

**Consent Calendar Items 1 thru 4:** A motion to approve was made by Lori Schectel (Central Contra Costa Sanitary District) and seconded by Jackie Zipkin (East Bay Dischargers Authority). The motion was approved unanimously.

**APPROVALS AND AUTHORIZATIONS**

**5 Approval: NMS Steering Committee Designates**

**Item 5**: The approval designates Eric Dunlavey and Amit Mutsuddy as BACWA voting members of the NMS Steering Committee, and Lori Schectel and Jackie Zipkin as alternates. A motion to approve was made by Jackie Zipkin (East Bay Dischargers Authority) and seconded by Eric Dunlavey (City of San Jose). The motion was approved unanimously.

**6 Approval: Installment 2 of FY23 NMS Payment, $800,000**

**Item 6**: This payment complete the Watershed Permit's NMS funding requirement for FY23. A motion to approve was made by Eric Dunlavey (City of San Jose) and seconded by Lori Schectel (Central Contra Costa Sanitary District). The motion was approved unanimously.

**POLICY/STRATEGIC**

**7 Discussion: Winter storm impacts roundtable** - BACWA ED opened the discussion to agencies to share the impact of the recent winter storms and their plans to deal with higher-intensity precipitation events in the future. Several members shared the impact the storms had on their agencies and cities, including impacts such as surface flooding, treatment plant bypasses, and sanitary sewer overflows. Impacts were most severe in San Francisco and in the inner East Bay. Agencies discussed climate change, old infrastructure, lack of funding & support and ongoing challenges.

**8 Discussion: Nutrients**

**a. Technical Work**

**i. Science plan direction post HAB - discussion with science manager** - Dave Senn, SFEI, participated in group discussion on modifications to the NMS science plan following the August 2022 algae bloom in the Bay. Discussion topics included: modeling, HABs, and overall outcomes. The group discussed modeling approaches, timeline, implementation, monitoring technology, mitigation techniques, and changes in understanding and approaches. The science team is able to begin testing management scenarios in March or April, but cautioned that early results are not likely to be useable for management decision-making; only after many iterations will the scenarios become useful. To begin

scenario testing , the science team requires some direction from the NMS Steering Committee on which model (chronic vs. acute) and which scenarios to run.

**BREAK 11:15-11:30**

**ii. Review of recent NMS deliverables** - Mike Connor summarized his 2022 recommendations for the science program priorities. He also presented a review of SFEI comments and documents. For SFEI nutrient summaries, emphasis was placed on data viewing tools, annual status & temporal trend reports of bay health and model runs vs. annual trends. General discussion followed.

**b. Regulatory**

**i. 2022 GAR Update** - BACWA ED shared that the Group Annual Report is due to Water Board on Feb 1, 2023 and comments are due to Mike Falk on January 26, 2023.

**ii. Nutrient reduction POTW meeting schedule update -** BACWA ED shared that most meetings with individual POTWs have been completed, and all should be wrapped up by mid February.

**iii. Legal opinion on use of antidegradation** - BACWA ED broached the issue that the Water Board plans to rely on reasonable potential rather than antidegradation to justify nutrient load limitations. General discussion followed about priorities, funding and public perspective.

**iv. Engagement on solid waste contribution to nutrients** - BACWA ED shared that this effort was put on hold. When effort is revived Eric Dunlavey will inform the group.

**c. Governance**

**i. January 4 Planning Subcommittee minutes**

**ii. December 9 Steering Committee meeting minutes**

**d. Communications and lobbying**

**i. Communications steering committee debrief** - BACWA ED will share a draft of RFQ with committee next week and the board will receive the RFP the following week. The plan is to finalize the RFQ at the February at Board Meeting.

**Action item:** BACWA Ed to bring item for approval at next board meeting.

**ii. Nutrient FAQ - final** - BACWA ED shared that document is available on the BACWA website and in the packet.

**9 Discussion: Debrief from January 17 Joint meeting with R2** - BACWA RPM provided information about recycled water planning, including an upcoming study on the feasibility of water recycling and the state's water supply strategy.

**Action Item:** BACWA RPM to share WRF report with BACWA community when it is available.

**10 Discussion: SSS WDR next steps Summit Partners Workshop Materials** – BACWA RPM summarized workshop. The materials are on the CASA website.

https://casaweb.org/resources/speaker-presentations/

**11 Discussion: SFEP/TRUW Equity Workshop for Wastewater - March 7** - BACWA ED shared that workshop will be at SF Metro Center. Generate common language in efforts around community and engineering, and workforce development.

**12 Informational: NPDES Compliance Letter**

**13 Informational: Air toxics testing update**- BACWA ED shared that CASA is still in the process of determining which agencies will be required by CARB to participate. Agencies can expect to assume some financial obligation beginning in FY24, and CASA will provide estimates soon.

**OPERATIONAL**

**14 Discussion: Annual Meeting Planning** - BACWA ED shared slide summarizing the facility rental options and asked for feedback on options. The group agreed to rent out the auditorium and the top floor. The group also discussed possible speakers at the event. For extreme precipitation, a presentation from a flood control agency or a case study were suggested.

**Action item:** BACWA ED to reserve the full facility and present a list of potential speakers at the next meeting.

**15 Informational: BACWA Executive Board designates** - BACWA ED shared that a corrected document is in the packet.

**16 Informational: BACC Update** - BACWA AED shared that the bids will go live in Planet Bids on Thursday and bids will be opened on Thursday February 23.

**REPORTS**

**17 Committee Reports** - in the packet

**18 Member highlights** - no highlights

**19 Executive Director Report** - in the packet

**20 Board Calendar and Action Items** - in the packet

**21 Regulatory Program Manager Report** - in the packet. Emily Corwin from Fairfield-Suisun Sewer District has agreed to serve as a BACWA Representative to BCDC's Shoreline Adaptation Plan Advisory Group.

**22 Other BACWA Representative Reports**

**a. RMP Technical Review Committee Mary Lou Esparza, Yuyun Shang, Samantha Engelage**

**b. RMP Steering Committee Karin North; Amanda Roa; Eric Dunlavey**

**c. Summit Partners Lorien Fono; Amit Mutsuddy**

**d. ASC/SFEI Lorien Fono; Amit Mutsuddy; Lori Schectel**

**e. Nutrient Governance Steering Committee Eric Dunlavey; alternates: Lori Schectel**

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**s. CHARG - Coastal Hazards Adaptation Resiliency Group Jackie Zipkin**

**t. California Water Quality Monitoring Council Lorien Fono**

**23 SUGGESTIONS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

**NEXT MEETING The next meeting of the Board is scheduled for February 17, 2023**

**ADJOURNMENT at 1:01**

# Nutrient Strategy Team
# February 3, 2023 Meeting Summary

**ATTENDEES:**

**Executive Board Representatives:** Lori Schectel (Central Contra Costa Sanitary District); Amit Mutsuddy (EBMUD), Eric Dunlavey (San José); Jacqueline Zipkin (East Bay Dischargers Authority); Amy Chastain (San Francisco Public Utilities Commission)

**Other Attendees:**

| Name | Agency/Company |
|---|---|
| Lorien Fono, Mary Cousins | BACWA |
| Mary Lou Esparza, Blake Brown | CCCSD |
| Amanda Roa | Delta Diablo |
| Alicia Chakrabarti, Don Gray | EBMUD |
| Tom Hall | EOA |
| Talyon Sortor, Jordan Damerel | FSSD |
| Monty Dill | Richmond (Veolia) |
| Azalea Mitch | San Mateo |
| Jennie Pang | SFPUC |
| Anir Bhagwat | Silicon Valley Clean Water |
| Ramana Chinnakotla, Melody Tovar, Cameron Kostigen Mumper | Sunnyvale |
| Armando Lopez | Union Sanitary District |
| Jennifer Harrington | Vallejo FWD |

Amit Mutsuddy called the meeting to order at 10:02 am, and led introductions. There was no public comment. The main purpose of the meeting was to discuss the status of negotiations for the 3rd Nutrient Watershed Permit.

**FUTURE HYBRID NUTRIENT STRATEGY TEAM MEETINGS**

BACWA Executive Director (ED) Lorien Fono led a discussion about the venue for future meetings. The group decided that future meetings should be held in hybrid format immediately following regularly-scheduled BACWA Executive Board meetings (i.e., the 3rd Friday of each month), ideally wrapping up by approximately 2 PM.

**BASIS FOR LOAD REDUCTIONS**

The ED relayed that at the January 17th joint meeting between Regional Water Board staff and the BACWA Executive Board, Regional Water Board staff stated that in the 3rd Watershed Permit they tentatively plan to make a **finding of reasonable potential** that POTW discharges could cause or contribute to an exceedance of the Basin Plan's narrative biostimulatory substances objective. This action would trigger a need for water quality-based effluent limits (rather than antidegradation-based limits). Regional Water Board staff have also proposed interim limits and compliance schedules of up to 10 years.

The process that will be used to translate the narrative objective into water quality-based effluent limits has not yet been determined. Although the modeling work by the Nutrient Management Strategy science team may be a resource in this effort, it is not likely to be used to directly establish numeric limits.

**AGENCY NUTRIENT REDUCTION PLANNING**

The ED shared recently updated nitrogen loading data from the 2022 Group Annual Report, which is now complete (link). The ED also shared the preliminary outcome of nutrient reduction plans that were shared with BACWA staff during individual meetings held in December and January. So far, BACWA has collected information from 15 agencies, with 3 remaining. All together, these 18 agencies represent 95% of the Total Inorganic Nitrogen load from Bay Area POTWs to the Bay. Once all the meetings are complete, BACWA will estimate a range of possible aggregate load reductions from currently-planned projects. This will inform BACWA's negotiating position for the 3rd Watershed Permit.

The ED also shared a preliminary compilation of member agencies' ability to reduce nutrient discharges on a short-term emergency basis. Most agencies have very little effluent storage. Influent storage is more common, but is associated with odor and other operational challenges.

The group brainstormed additional efforts that could be packaged along with nutrient reduction plans for the Regional Water Board, such as support for scientific research. The group also discussed the potential negative impact on BACWA members if the 3rd Watershed Permit requires aggressive load reductions (e.g., 50% within 10 years). Members shared that this approach could disincentive early action on nutrient removal, disincentive the use of emerging technologies, threaten organics diversion programs, and disincentive multi-benefit projects.

**CONSIDERATIONS FOR LOAD CAPS**

Attendees expressed support for continued reliance on the "planning level targets" from Table F-5 of the 2nd Watershed Permit, because quite a few agencies have indeed been using them for planning and design of facility upgrades.

**NEXT STEPS**

- Internal discussions will continue at the February 17th Executive Board meeting and the next NST meeting on March 17th.
- The BACWA ED will update meeting invitations to reflect the change to consolidate future meetings with BACWA Executive Board meetings beginning on March 17th.
- BACWA tentatively plans to present information about nutrient load reduction plans to Regional Water Board staff around March. Regional Water Board staff will also be preparing an update for Regional Water Board members, with a target date of late spring for the update.
- Nutrient Management Strategy meetings are currently scheduled for March and May 2023, and will include an update on management options.

Bay Area Clean Water Agencies
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Leading the Way to Protect our Bay

January 19, 2023

MEMO TO: Bay Area Clean Water Agencies Executive Board

MEMO FROM: Samuel Feldman-Crough, Treasurer, East Bay Municipal Utility District

SUBJECT: Sixth Month FY 2023 Treasurer's Report

As required by section eight of the Joint Powers Agreement establishing the Bay Area Clean Water Agencies (BACWA) and California Government Code Sections 6500 et seq., attached is the BACWA Treasurer's Report for the period covering **July 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022** (Six months of Fiscal Year 2023). This report covers expenditures, cash receipts, and cash transfers for the following BACWA funds:

- Bay Area Clean Water Agencies (BACWA),
- BACWA Legal Reserve Fund (Legal Rsrv),
- Water Quality Attainment Strategy (WQA CBC),
- Bay Area Biosolids Coalition (BABC),
- Bay Area Chemical Consortium (BACC),
- Water/Wastewater Operator Training (WOT),

## Houck, Matt

**From:** Feldman, Samuel
**Sent:** Friday, January 20, 2023 8:59 AM
**To:** Houck, Matt
**Subject:** RE: December 2022 Treasurer's Report

Approved. Thanks Matt!

**Sam Feldman** (he/him/his)
Manager of Budget
office: (510) 287-0441
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**From:** Houck, Matt <matt.houck@ebmud.com>
**Sent:** Thursday, January 19, 2023 1:04 PM
**To:** Feldman, Samuel <samuel.feldman@ebmud.com>
**Subject:** December 2022 Treasurer's Report

Hi Samuel,

Please approve BACWA – December 2022 Treasurer's Report for distribution.

Thanks,

**Matt Houck**
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P 510-287-0238

**Fund Balances**

In FY23 BACWA has three operating funds (BACWA, Legal, and CBC) and three pass-through funds for which BACWA provides only contract administration services (WOT, BABC & BACC). As of October 31st, 2021, revenues are recognized when billed, not when payments are received.

BACWA Fund: This fund provides resources for BACWA staff, its committees, and other administrative needs. The ending fund balance on December 31, 2022, was $793,000 which is significantly higher than the target reserve of $229,098 which is intended to cover 3 months of normal operating expenses based on the BACWA FY22 budget. $409,278 of the ending fund balance is shown on the BACWA Fund & Investments Balance Report December 31, 2022, as encumbered to meet ongoing operating line-item expenses for BAPPG Committee Support, Legal services, IT services, Board meeting expenses, accounting services and BACWA staff support. This leaves an actual unencumbered reserve of $154,624 (i.e., actual fund balance of $383,722 less target reserves) as of December 31, 2022.

CBC Fund: This fund provides the resources for completing special investigations as well as meeting regulatory requirements. The ending fund balance on December 31, 2022, was $3,121,329 which is higher than the target reserve of $1,000,000. $609,976 of the ending fund balance is encumbered to meet line-item expenses for completion of the Group Annual Report contract, completion of the NBS Study, Recycled Water Evaluation, and the PFAS Regional Study. This leaves an actual unencumbered reserve balance of $1,515,353 (i.e., actual fund balance of $2,515,353 less target reserves) as of December 31, 2022. As directed by the BACWA Executive Board, the CBC fund has diminished over time due to BACWA's ongoing funding of the NMS program to comply with the Nutrient Watershed Permit.

Legal Fund: This fund provides for needed legal services. The ending balance was $300,000 which is at the target reserve of $300,000.

**Budget to Actual**

The BACWA Annual Budget includes all expected revenues as well as budgeted expenses. Transfers are made from the BACWA Fund and/or the CBC Fund to balance the Annual Budget if expenses exceed revenues and vice versa. It is therefore important to achieve the anticipated revenues and not exceed the budgeted expenses on an annual basis to maintain the BACWA and CBC Fund balances at the levels projected in the 5 Year Plan.

Revenues as of December 31, 2022 (50% of the FY) are at 99%

Expenses as of December 31, 2022 (50% of the FY) are at 41%

**FY 2023**
**BACWA BUDGET to ACTUAL**

| BACWA FY23 BUDGET | Line Item Description | FY 2023 Budget | Projected Revenue as of Dec 2022 Changes from budget in blue | Actual Dec 2022 | Actual % of Budget Dec 2022 | Variance | NOTES |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| ***REVENUES & FUNDING*** | | | | | | | |
| **Dues** | Principals' Contributions | $527,250 | $527,250 | $527,250 | 100% | $0 | FY23: 2% increase 5 @ $105,450 |
| | Associate & Affiliate Contributions | $187,793 | $187,793 | $186,845 | 99% | -$948 | FY23: 2% increase. 12 Assoc: $8702; 47 Affiliate: $1743 |
| **Fees** | Clean Bay Collaborative | $675,000 | $675,000 | $674,250 | 100% | -$750 | Prin: $450,000; Assoc/Affil: $225,000 |
| | Nutrient Surcharge | $1,400,000 | $1,400,000 | $1,399,980 | 100% | -$20 | See Nutrient Surcharge Spreadsheet |
| | Voluntary Nutrient Contributions | | | $0 | 0% | $0 | |
| **Other Receipts** | AIR Non-Member | $7,217 | $7,217 | $7,217 | 100% | $0 | 2% increase (Santa Rosa) |
| | BAPPG Non-Members | $4,033 | $4,033 | $4,033 | 100% | $0 | 2% increase (Sta Rosa, Sac Reg'l, Vacaville) $1,344/each |
| | Other | | | $2,653 | | $2,653 | |
| **Fund Transfer** | Special Program Admin Fees (WOT) | $5,202 | $5,202 | $0 | 0% | -$5,202 | |
| | Special Program Admin Fees (BACC) | $36,000 | $36,000 | $0 | 0% | -$36,000 | 400 hours of AED support $90/hr |
| | Special Program Admin Fees (BABC) | $6,000 | $6,000 | $0 | 0% | -$6,000 | ED, AED and RPM support |
| **Interest Income** | LAIF | $4,000 | $4,000 | $12,151 | 304% | $8,151 | BACWA, Legal, & CBC Funds invested in LAIF |
| | Higher Yield Investments | | | | | | |
| | **Total Revenue** | **$2,852,495** | **$2,852,495** | **$2,814,379** | **98.66%** | **-$38,116** | |

| BACWA FY23 BUDGET | Line Item Description | FY 2023 Budget | Projected Expense as of Dec 2022 Changes from budget in blue | Actual Dec 2022 | Actual % of Budget Dec 2022 | Variance | NOTES |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| ***EXPENSES*** | | | | | | | |
| **Labor** | | | | | | | |
| | Executive Director | $204,250 | $204,250 | $85,104 | 42% | -$119,146 | 7.5% increase (flat in FY22) |
| | Assistant Executive Director | $86,004 | $86,004 | $42,368 | 49% | -$43,636 | 7.5% over FY21; $71.67/hour; Reflects 1200 hours |
| | BACC Administrator | $36,000 | $36,000 | $13,410 | 37% | -$22,590 | 400 hrs AED support at $90 per hr |
| | Regulatory Program Manager | $142,223 | $142,223 | $58,625 | 41% | -$83,598 | 7.5% increase (flat in FY22); $103.35/hour, Reflects 1350 hours |
| | **Total** | **$468,477** | **$468,477** | **$199,507** | **43%** | **-$268,970** | |
| **Administration** | | | | | | | |
| | EBMUD Financial Services | $43,297 | $43,297 | $13,339 | 31% | -$29,958 | 2% increase |
| | Auditing Services | $5,452 | $5,452 | $0 | 0% | -$5,452 | Finanical Auditors through EBMUD; per auditor rate schedule |
| | Administrative Expenses | $8,118 | $8,118 | $0 | 0% | -$8,118 | 2% increase over FY22 |
| | Insurance | $8,132 | $8,132 | $7,571 | 93% | -$561 | 15% increase over FY22 actual |
| | **Total** | **$64,999** | **$64,999** | **$20,910** | **32%** | **-$44,089** | |
| **Meetings** | | | | | | | |
| | EB Meetings | $2,706 | $2,706 | $404 | 15% | -$2,302 | 2% increase from FY22 |
| | Annual Meeting | $14,369 | $14,369 | $0 | 0% | -$14,369 | 2% increase from FY22 |
| | Pardee | $6,668 | $6,668 | $3,432 | 51% | -$3,236 | 2% increase from FY22 |
| | Misc. Meetings | $5,412 | $5,412 | $2,639 | 49% | -$2,773 | 2% increase from FY22 |
| | **Total** | **$29,155** | **$29,155** | **$6,476** | **22%** | **-$22,679** | |
| **Communication** | | | | | | | |
| | Website Hosting | $714 | $714 | $189 | 27% | -$525 | 2% increase from FY22, Go Daddy website hosting and domain registration |
| | File Storage | $780 | $780 | $0 | 0% | -$780 | 2% increase from FY22, box.net |
| | Website Development/Maintenance | $1,561 | $1,561 | $75 | 5% | -$1,486 | 2% increase from FY22 |
| | IT Support | $2,705 | $2,705 | $0 | 0% | -$2,705 | 2% increase from FY22 |
| | Other Commun | $1,821 | $1,821 | $404 | 22% | -$1,417 | 2% increase from FY22; MS Exchange, Survey Monkey, PollEv, Zoom, Netfile |
| | **Total** | **$7,581** | **$7,581** | **$668** | **9%** | **-$6,912** | |
| **Legal** | | | | | | | |

**FY 2023**
**BACWA BUDGET to ACTUAL**

| | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| ***EXPENSES*** | | | | | | | |
| | Regulatory Support | $2,871 | $2,871 | $0 | 0% | -$2,871 | 2% increase from FY22, Downey Brand LLP |
| | Executive Board Support | $2,309 | $2,309 | $0 | 0% | -$2,309 | 2% increase from FY22, Day Carter & Murphy LLP |
| | **Total** | **$5,181** | **$5,181** | **$0** | **0%** | **-$5,181** | |
| **Committees** | | | | | | | |
| | AIR | $96,000 | $96,000 | $40,076 | | -$55,924 | $75k consulting support, $20k support for ACE, $1k misc expenses. Carollo Engineers |
| | BAPPG | $130,600 | $130,600 | $56,847 | 44% | -$73,753 | Includes CPSC @ $10,000, OWOW @ $10,000, and Pest. Reg Spt. @ $60,000 |
| | Biosolids Committee | $0 | $0 | $0 | | $0 | |
| | Collections System | $1,000 | $1,000 | $0 | 0% | -$1,000 | Same as FY23 |
| | InfoShare Groups | $1,000 | $1,000 | $492 | 49% | -$508 | |
| | Laboratory Committee | $6,400 | $6,400 | $1,511 | 24% | -$4,889 | TNI standard training and meetings |
| | Permits Committee | $1,000 | $1,000 | $0 | 0% | -$1,000 | |
| | Pretreatment | $1,000 | $1,000 | $0 | 0% | -$1,000 | |
| | Recycled Water Committee | $20,000 | $20,000 | $0 | 0% | -$20,000 | |
| | Misc Committee Support | $45,000 | $45,000 | $0 | 0% | -$45,000 | |
| | Manager's Roundtable | $1,000 | $1,000 | $0 | 0% | -$1,000 | |
| | **Total** | **$303,000** | **$303,000** | **$98,926** | **33%** | **-$204,074** | |
| **Collaboratives** | | | | | | | |
| | **Collaboratives** | | | | | | |
| | State of the Estuary (SFEP-biennial) | $20,000 | $20,000 | $0 | 0% | -$20,000 | Bienniel in Odd Fiscal Years. (Paid bienniely in odd years for even year conference) |
| | Arleen Navarret Award | $2,500 | $2,500 | $0 | 0% | -$2,500 | Bienniel in Even Fiscal Years. Increase in FY20. 2022 Award to be paid in FY23 |
| | BayCAN | $5,000 | $5,000 | $0 | 0% | -$5,000 | |
| | Bay Area One Water Network | $5,000 | $5,000 | $0 | 0% | | New for FY23 |
| | Bruce Wolf Scholarship | $4,000 | $4,000 | $0 | 0% | | FY22, FY23, FY24, FY25 FY26 |
| | Misc | $1,500 | $1,500 | $0 | 0% | -$1,500 | NBWA |
| | **Total** | **$38,000** | **$38,000** | **$0** | **0%** | **-$38,000** | |
| **Other** | | | | | | | |
| | **Unbudgeted Items** | | | | | | |
| | Other | $0 | $0 | $0 | 0% | $0 | |
| | | **$0** | | **$0** | **0%** | **$0** | |
| **Tech Support** | | | | | | | |
| | **Technical Support** | | | | | | |
| | Nutrients | | | | | | |
| | Watershed | $1,800,000 | $1,800,000 | $1,000,000 | 56% | -$800,000 | Advance funding for 2nd Watershed Permit Sciece Studies; Final $ TBD |
| | NMS Voluntary Contributions | $0 | $0 | $0 | 0% | $0 | |
| | Additional work under permit | $100,000 | $100,000 | $48,040 | 48% | -$51,960 | Includes HDR PO for $225k spread out over FY20-24. |
| | Regional Study on Nature based systems | $248,811 | $248,811 | $16,721 | 7% | -$232,090 | SFEI $500K, expires 06/30/2023 |
| | Regional Recycling Evaluation | $63,525 | $63,525 | $0 | 0% | -$63,525 | HDR $154K, expires 12/31/2023 |
| | Nutrient Workshop(s) | $0 | $0 | $0 | 0% | $0 | Pilot Studies/Plant Review/InDecative Technologies |
| | NMS Reviewer | $50,000 | $50,000 | $4,000 | 8% | -$46,000 | M. Connor Contract |
| | General Tech Support | $100,000 | $100,000 | $0 | 0% | -$100,000 | AB617 emissions factors, PFAS, other nutrient support |
| | CEC Investigations | $140,000 | $140,000 | $9,452 | 7% | -$130,548 | PFAS Study Phase II |
| | Risk Reduction | $12,500 | $12,500 | $0 | 0% | -$12,500 | APA FSS completed $12,500 contract in FY20, CIEA will complete $12,500 contract in FY23 |
| | **Total** | **$2,514,836** | **$2,514,836** | **$1,078,213** | **43%** | **-$1,436,623** | |
| | **TOTAL EXPENSES** | **$3,431,228** | **$3,431,228** | **$1,404,701** | **40.94%** | **-$2,026,528** | |
| | **PROJECTED EXPENSE DEVIATION FROM BUDGET** | | **$0** | | | | |
| | **NET INCOME BEFORE TRANSFERS** | **-$578,733** | | | | | |
| | **TRANSFERS FROM RESERVES** | **$578,733** | | | | | aligns with strategy of drawing down reserves to lessen impact of Nutrient Surcharge |
| | **NET INCOME AFTER TRANSFERS** | **$0** | | | | | |
| | **TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET** | **$916,392** | | | | | |
| | **OPERATING RESERVE** | **$229,098** | | | | | |

# BACWA Fund Report as of December 31, 2022

## BACWA FUND BALANCES - DATA PROVIDED BY ACCOUNTING DEPT.

| DEPTID | DESCRIPTION | FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING FUND BALANCE | TOTAL BILLED REVENUE TO-DATE | TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS TO-DATE | MONTH-ENDING FUND BALANCE | OUTSTANDING ENCUMBRANCES | MONTH-END UNOBLIGATED FUND BALANCE |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 600 | BACWA | 376,500 | 729,577 | 313,077 | 793,000 | 409,278 | 383,722 |
| 604 | LEGAL RSRV | 300,000 | - | - | 300,000 | - | 300,000 |
| 605 | CBC | 2,114,741 | 2,084,801 | 1,078,213 | 3,121,329 | 605,976 | 2,515,353 |
| | ***SUBTOTAL 1*** | *2,791,241* | *2,814,378* | *1,391,290* | *4,214,329* | *1,015,254* | *3,199,075* |
| 602 | BABC | *176,260* | 176,600 | 81,367 | 271,493 | *63,922* | 207,571 |
| 606 | BACC | *29,810* | - | *52,154* | (22,344) | *18,180* | (40,524) |
| 607 | BACC LEGAL RSRV | *30,000* | *30,000* | - | 60,000 | - | 60,000 |
| 610 | WOT | 270,974 | - | - | 270,974 | - | 270,974 |
| | ***SUBTOTAL 2*** | *507,044* | *206,600* | *133,521* | *580,123* | *82,102* | *498,021* |
| | **GRAND TOTAL** | **3,298,285** | **3,020,978** | **1,524,811** | **4,794,452** | **1,097,356** | **3,697,096** |

Top Chart: Reflects CASH on the Books — Includes Encumbrances
Bottom Chart: Reflects CASH in the Bank — Includes Payables (bills received but not paid)
Allocations: Priority for non-liquid investments

## BACWA INVESTMENTS BALANCES - DATA PROVIDED BY TREASURY DEPT.

| DEPTID | DESCRIPTION | FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING FUND BALANCE | TOTAL BILLED REVENUE TO-DATE | TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS TO-DATE | MONTH-ENDING FUND BALANCE | RECONCILIATION TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS A/R | RECONCILIATION TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS A/P | MONTH-END RECONCILED FUND BALANCE | UNINVESTED CASH BALANCES | LAIF INVESTMENTS AMOUNTS | LAIF INVESTMENTS PERCENTAGE | ALTERNATIVE INVESTMENTS AMOUNTS | ALTERNATIVE INVESTMENTS IDENTIFIERS | ALTERNATIVE INVESTMENT INSTRUCTIONS AND NOTES |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 800 | BACWA | 376,500 | 729,577 | 313,077 | 793,000 | (304,861) | 24,066 | 512,205 | 512,205 | - | 0% | - | | priority # 3 for allocation |
| 804 | LEGAL RSRV | 300,000 | - | - | 300,000 | - | - | 300,000 | - | 300,000 | 13% | - | | priority # 1 for allocation |
| 805 | CBC | 2,114,741 | 2,084,801 | 1,078,213 | 3,121,329 | - | - | 3,121,329 | 1,146,578 | 1,974,751 | 87% | - | | priority # 2 for allocation |
| | ***SUBTOTAL 1*** | 2,791,241 | 2,814,378 | 1,391,290 | 4,214,329 | (304,861) | 24,066 | 3,933,534 | 1,658,783 | 2,274,751 | 100% | - | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 802 | BABC | 176,260 | 176,600 | 81,367 | 271,493 | - | - | 271,493 | 271,493 | - | 0% | - | | pass-through funds, no allocation |
| 806 | BACC | 29,810 | - | 52,154 | (22,344) | - | - | (22,344) | (22,344) | - | 0% | - | | |
| 807 | BACC LEGAL RSRV | 30,000 | 30,000 | - | 60,000 | - | - | 60,000 | 60,000 | - | 0% | - | | |
| 810 | WOT | 270,974 | - | - | 270,974 | - | - | 270,974 | 270,974 | - | 0% | - | | pass-through funds, no allocation |
| | ***SUBTOTAL 2*** | 507,044 | 206,600 | 133,521 | 580,123 | - | - | 580,123 | 580,123 | - | 0% | - | | |
| | **GRAND TOTAL** | **3,298,285** | **3,020,978** | **1,524,811** | **4,794,452** | **(304,861)** | **24,066** | **4,513,657** | **2,238,906** | **2,274,751** | **-** | | | |
| | | | | | | - | - | - | - | | | | | |

To be used to cover Reconciliation to Financial Statements ($0)

**Reconciliation to Trial Balance**

| | |
|---|---|
| Per Report above: | |
| General | 2,814,378 |
| WOT, BABC, & BACC | 206,600 |
| PROP | - |
| **subtotal** | **3,020,978** |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| STB | 14930 | 2,274,751 | |
| STB | 15050 | 2,238,906 | |
| | | **4,513,657** | - |
| STB | 16300 | 304,861 | |
| STB | 21350 | (24,066) | |
| | | **4,794,452** | - |

Trial Balance Revenue Accounts

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 40100 | Interest | (12,151) |
| 40101 | Mem Contrib | (1,378,100) |
| 40102 | Transfer | (30,000) |
| 40103 | Assoc Contrib | (186,845) |
| 40104 | Other | (1,413,882) |
| 47310 | State Grant | - |
| 47320 | Grant Retention | - |
| **subtotal** | | **(3,020,978)** |
| **Difference** | | **-** |

# BACWA Revenue Report as of December 31, 2022

| Cost Center Code | Cost Center Description | Program Segment Description | Program Segment Value | Amended Budget | Current Period | FY23 - Year to Date | Unobligated |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 600 | Bay Area Clean Water Agencies | BABC - AED and RPM Support | 6200 | (6,000.00) | - | - | 6,000.00 |
| | | BACC - AED Support | 6199 | (36,000.00) | - | - | 36,000.00 |
| | | BDO Affil/CS/Assoc Dues | 6104 | - | - | (38,846.00) | (38,846.00) |
| | | BDO Affiliate/Associate Dues | 6103 | - | - | (43,575.00) | (43,575.00) |
| | | BDO Assoc.&Affiliate Contr | 6102 | (187,793.00) | - | (104,424.00) | 83,369.00 |
| | | BDO Fund Transfers | 6141 | (5,202.00) | - | - | 5,202.00 |
| | | BDO Member Contributions | 6101 | (527,250.00) | - | (527,250.00) | - |
| | | BDO Non-Member Contr AIR | 6136 | (7,217.00) | (5,873.00) | (7,217.00) | - |
| | | BDO Non-Member Contr BAPPG | 6135 | (4,033.00) | 5,873.00 | (4,032.00) | 1.00 |
| | | BDO Other Receipts | 6105 | - | - | - | - |
| | | BDO Other Receipts (Misc) | 6140 | - | - | (2,653.00) | (2,653.00) |
| | | BDO- Interest Income from LAIF | 6142 | (4,000.00) | - | (1,579.60) | 2,420.40 |
| | | BDO-Alternative Investment Inc | 6143 | - | - | - | - |
| **600 Total** | | | | **(777,495.00)** | **-** | **(729,576.60)** | **47,918.40** |
| 602 | Bay Area Biosolids Coalition | BDO Fund Transfers | 6141 | | - | - | - |
| | | BDO Member Contributions | 6101 | | - | (176,600.00) | (176,600.00) |
| **602 Total** | | | | **-** | **-** | **(176,600.00)** | **(176,600.00)** |
| 605 | Clean Bay Collaborative | BDO Fund Transfers | 6141 | - | - | - | - |
| | | BDO Member Contributions | 6101 | (675,000.00) | - | (674,250.00) | 750.00 |
| | | BDO Other Receipts | 6105 | (1,400,000.00) | - | (1,399,980.00) | 20.00 |
| | | BDO- Interest Income from LAIF | 6142 | - | - | (10,571.17) | (10,571.17) |
| **605 Total** | | | | **(2,075,000.00)** | **-** | **(2,084,801.17)** | **(9,801.17)** |
| 606 | Bay Area Chemical Consortium | BDO Member Contributions | 6101 | - | - | - | - |
| **606 Total** | | | | **-** | **-** | **-** | **-** |
| 607 | BACC Legal RSRV | BDO Fund Transfers | 6141 | - | - | (30,000.00) | (30,000.00) |
| **607 Total** | | | | **-** | **-** | **(30,000.00)** | **(30,000.00)** |
| **Grand Total** | | | | **(2,852,495.00)** | **-** | **(3,020,977.77)** | **(168,482.77)** |

# BACWA Expense Detail Report for December 31, 2022

| Cost Center Code | Program Segment Description | Program Segment Value | Balance Type | Current Period Activity | FY23 - Year to Date |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 600 | AIR-Air Issues&Regulation Grp | 6153 | Actual | 10,125.00 | 40,076.00 |
| | | | Encumbrance | (10,125.00) | 54,999.00 |
| | | | Obligated | - | 95,075.00 |
| | AS-Assistant Executive Directo | 6175 | Actual | 11,610.54 | 42,367.72 |
| | | | Encumbrance | (11,610.54) | 43,636.28 |
| | | | Obligated | - | 86,004.00 |
| | AS-Audit Services | 6180 | Actual | - | - |
| | | | Encumbrance | - | - |
| | | | Obligated | - | - |
| | AS-BACWA Admin Expense | 6173 | Actual | - | - |
| | | | Obligated | - | - |
| | AS-EBMUD Financial Services | 6176 | Actual | - | 13,339.03 |
| | | | Encumbrance | - | 29,957.97 |
| | | | Obligated | - | 43,297.00 |
| | AS-Executive Director | 6174 | Actual | 17,020.83 | 85,104.15 |
| | | | Encumbrance | (17,020.83) | 119,145.85 |
| | | | Obligated | - | 204,250.00 |
| | AS-Insurance | 6177 | Actual | - | 7,571.20 |
| | | | Obligated | - | 7,571.20 |
| | AS-Regulatory Program Manager | 6179 | Actual | 11,471.85 | 58,625.29 |
| | | | Encumbrance | (11,471.85) | 83,597.71 |
| | | | Obligated | - | 142,223.00 |
| | Administrative Support | 6178 | Actual | - | - |
| | | | Obligated | - | - |
| | BC-BAPPG | 6152 | Actual | 15,925.25 | 56,846.92 |
| | | | Encumbrance | (5,925.25) | 59,422.66 |
| | | | Obligated | 10,000.00 | 116,269.58 |
| | BC-InfoShare Groups | 6148 | Actual | - | 491.73 |
| | | | Obligated | - | 491.73 |
| | BC-Laboratory Committee | 6149 | Actual | - | 1,511.25 |
| | | | Encumbrance | - | 3,688.75 |
| | | | Obligated | - | 5,200.00 |
| | BC-Manager's Roundtable | 6154 | Actual | - | - |
| | | | Obligated | - | - |
| | BC-Miscellaneous Committee Sup | 6150 | Actual | - | - |
| | | | Encumbrance | - | - |
| | | | Obligated | - | - |
| | BC-Permit Committee | 6145 | Actual | - | - |
| | | | Obligated | - | - |
| | BC-Pretreatment Committee | 6151 | Actual | - | - |
| | | | Obligated | - | - |
| | BC-Water Recycling Committee | 6146 | Actual | - | - |
| | | | Encumbrance | - | 9,650.00 |
| | | | Obligated | - | 9,650.00 |
| | CAR-BACWA File Storage | 6165 | Actual | - | - |
| | | | Obligated | - | - |
| | CAR-BACWA IT Software | 6167 | Actual | - | 403.64 |
| | | | Obligated | - | 403.64 |
| | CAR-BACWA IT Support | 6166 | Actual | - | - |
| | | | Encumbrance | | |
| | | | Obligated | - | - |
| | CAR-BACWA Website Dev/Maint | 6163 | Actual | 75.00 | 75.00 |
| | | | Obligated | 75.00 | 75.00 |
| | CAR-BACWA Website Hosting | 6164 | Actual | 128.64 | 189.49 |
| | | | Obligated | 128.64 | 189.49 |
| | CAS-Arleen Navaret Award | 6160 | Actual | - | - |
| | | | Obligated | - | - |

| Cost Center Code | Program Segment Description | Program Segment Value | Balance Type | Current Period Activity | FY23 - Year to Date |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | CAS-BayCAN | 6204 | Actual | - | - |
| | | | Obligated | - | - |
| | CAS-Misc Collaborative Sup | 6162 | Actual | - | - |
| | | | Obligated | - | - |
| | CAS-Stanford ERC | 6159 | Actual | - | - |
| | | | Obligated | - | - |
| | GBS-Meeting Support-Annual | 6170 | Actual | - | - |
| | | | Obligated | - | - |
| | GBS-Meeting Support-Exec Bd | 6169 | Actual | 389.95 | 404.45 |
| | | | Obligated | 389.95 | 404.45 |
| | GBS-Meeting Support-Misc | 6172 | Actual | - | 2,639.15 |
| | | | Obligated | - | 2,639.15 |
| | GBS-Meeting Support-Pardee | 6171 | Actual | - | 3,432.19 |
| | | | Obligated | - | 3,432.19 |
| | LS-Executive Board Support | 6156 | Actual | - | - |
| | | | Encumbrance | - | 2,309.00 |
| | | | Obligated | - | 2,309.00 |
| | LS-Regulatory Support | 6155 | Actual | - | - |
| | | | Encumbrance | - | 2,871.00 |
| | | | Obligated | - | 2,871.00 |
| | WQA-CE-Nature Based Solutions | 6196 | Actual | - | - |
| | | | Obligated | - | - |
| | Write-Off Doubtful Accounts | 6208 | Actual | - | - |
| | | | Obligated | - | - |
| **600 Total** | | | **Actual** | **66,747.06** | **313,077.21** |
| **600 Total** | | | **Encumbrance** | **(56,153.47)** | **409,278.22** |
| **600 Total** | | | **Obligated** | **10,593.59** | **722,355.43** |
| 602 | AS-Assistant Executive Directo | 6175 | Actual | - | - |
| | | | Obligated | - | - |
| | AS-Regulatory Program Manager | 6179 | Actual | - | - |
| | | | Obligated | - | - |
| | Academia Research & Development | 6203 | Actual | - | 25,000.00 |
| | | | Obligated | - | 25,000.00 |
| | Administrative Support | 6178 | Actual | - | 289.88 |
| | | | Obligated | - | 289.88 |
| | BDO Contract Expenses | 6186 | Actual | - | - |
| | | | Obligated | - | - |
| | Collateral Development | 6197 | Actual | - | - |
| | | | Obligated | - | - |
| | Program Manager Expense | 6202 | Actual | 16,642.50 | 56,077.54 |
| | | | Encumbrance | (16,642.50) | 63,922.46 |
| | | | Obligated | - | 120,000.00 |
| | Technology Research & Development | 6206 | Actual | - | - |
| | | | Obligated | - | - |
| **602 Total** | | | **Actual** | **16,642.50** | **81,367.42** |
| **602 Total** | | | **Encumbrance** | **(16,642.50)** | **63,922.46** |
| **602 Total** | | | **Obligated** | **-** | **145,289.88** |
| 605 | Recycled Water Evaluation | 6198 | Actual | - | - |
| | | | Encumbrance | - | 23,992.35 |
| | | | Obligated | - | 23,992.35 |
| | WQA - CEC Investigations | 6201 | Actual | - | 9,452.30 |
| | | | Encumbrance | - | 251,173.70 |
| | | | Obligated | - | 260,626.00 |
| | WQA-CE Addl Work Under Permit | 6191 | Actual | - | 48,040.00 |
| | | | Encumbrance | - | 43,398.00 |
| | | | Obligated | - | 91,438.00 |
| | WQA-CE Risk Reduction | 6190 | Actual | - | - |
| | | | Encumbrance | - | - |
| | | | Obligated | - | - |
| | WQA-CE Voluntary Nutr Contrib | 6193 | Actual | - | - |

| Cost Center Code | Program Segment Description | Program Segment Value | Balance Type | Current Period Activity | FY23 - Year to Date |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | Obligated | - | - |
| | WQA-CE-Nature Based Solutions | 6196 | Actual | - | 16,721.17 |
| | | | Encumbrance | - | 241,412.33 |
| | | | Obligated | - | 258,133.50 |
| | WQA-CE-Nutrient WS Permit Comm | 6188 | Actual | - | 1,000,000.00 |
| | | | Obligated | - | 1,000,000.00 |
| | WQA-CE-Technical Support | 6181 | Actual | - | - |
| | | | Obligated | - | - |
| | WQA-NMSReviewer | 6205 | Actual | 4,000.00 | 4,000.00 |
| | | | Encumbrance | (4,000.00) | 46,000.00 |
| | | | Obligated | - | 50,000.00 |
| **605 Total** | | | **Actual** | **4,000.00** | **1,078,213.47** |
| **605 Total** | | | **Encumbrance** | **(4,000.00)** | **605,976.38** |
| **605 Total** | | | **Obligated** | **-** | **1,684,189.85** |
| 606 | Administrative Support | 6178 | Actual | 7,920.00 | 22,116.52 |
| | | | Encumbrance | (7,920.00) | 18,180.00 |
| | | | Obligated | - | 40,296.52 |
| | BDO Fund Transfers | 6141 | Actual | - | 30,000.00 |
| | | | Obligated | - | 30,000.00 |
| | GBS-Meeting Support-Misc | 6172 | Actual | - | 37.50 |
| | | | Obligated | - | 37.50 |
| **606 Total** | | | **Actual** | **7,920.00** | **52,154.02** |
| **606 Total** | | | **Encumbrance** | **(7,920.00)** | **18,180.00** |
| **606 Total** | | | **Obligated** | **-** | **70,334.02** |
| 610 | Administrative Support | 6178 | Actual | - | - |
| | | | Obligated | - | - |
| | BDO Contract Expenses | 6186 | Actual | - | - |
| | | | Obligated | - | - |
| **610 Total** | | | **Actual** | **-** | **-** |
| **610 Total** | | | **Encumbrance** | **-** | **-** |
| **610 Total** | | | **Obligated** | **-** | **-** |
| **Grand Total Actual** | | | | **95,309.56** | **1,524,812.12** |
| **Grand Total Encumbrance** | | | | **(84,715.97)** | **1,097,357.06** |
| **Grand Total Obligated** | | | | **10,593.59** | **2,622,169.18** |

# Support for BACWA – Wastewater Public Education and Outreach Initiative

Bay Area Clean Water Agencies (BACWA)
Request for Qualifications

**2/20/2023**

# Request for Qualifications

***Support for BACWA's***
***Public Education and Outreach Initiative***

## Introduction

The Bay Area Clean Water Agencies (BACWA) is a regional organization created by a joint powers agreement among the five largest wastewater treatment agencies in the San Francisco Bay Area. BACWA represents Bay Area wastewater agencies by undertaking relevant scientific and technical studies and research, and by participating in the development of national, state, and regional policies. BACWA's mission is to provide an effective regional voice for clean water agencies' stewardship of the San Francisco Bay's ecological, community, and economic resources.

BACWA is seeking assistance in developing and implementing a public outreach strategy. Historically, BACWA has largely served as a venue for communication between municipal wastewater agencies and regulators, NGOs, and other institutional entities, but has not interfaced directly with the public. BACWA is interested in raising the profile of clean water agencies within the SF Bay community, and highlighting our role in protecting the environment and serving the public. We have formed a Communications Steering Committee made up of a diverse group of members, who have developed goals and potential messaging elements for this effort, as described in Attachment A.

## Request for Qualifications

BACWA is issuing this Requesting for Qualifications from Consultants interested in providing public outreach support to BACWA, as a first step in a competitive qualification based process. Consultants submitting their Qualifications should have a background in developing messaging and outreach materials for public education ~~campaigns, and~~campaigns and working with public agencies. The Consultant should also have experience working with traditional and social media outlets to purchase advertising time or space, to optimally target public outreach messaging.

## Organization and Content of the Submittal

The Qualifications must be submitted in the form of a letter proposal with attached resume(s). Please limit the overall number of pages of the letter, excluding the resume(s), to 3 pages or less. If added pages are need please contact the BACWA Executive Director, Lorien Fono, with the rationale.

## Submittal

Please submit Qualifications via email to Lorien Fono (lfono@bacwa.org) by 5pm on Friday, March 10, 2023.

## Consultant Selection

Following receipt of Qualifications, a Selection Committee made up of BACWA Board members, Communication Steering Committee members, and BACWA staff will evaluate the submittals. Based on submittals received, the Selection Committee will either recommend that BACWA solicit full proposals, or sole-source the contract based on the candidate with the strongest qualifications. Consultants submitting qualifications will be notified of BACWA's decision by Friday March 24, 2023.

Following Consultant selection, a Scope of Work and contract will be negotiated. The contract will specify billing for services on an hourly basis as required to complete the Scope of Work The term of this agreement shall not extend beyond June 30, 2023 but may be extended for four additional one-year terms at BACWA's discretion, ending June 30, 2027. If, upon reaching the end of any one year term of the contract, the Board elects to extend the contract for another year, the amount of the extended contract will be negotiated at the time the contract is extended. It is anticipated that the level of effort for the current fiscal year will be approximately $20,000, with budgeting for future fiscals years to be based on the objectives scoped out during this first contract. The BACWA standard consulting agreement will be used for this work (see attachment B).

ATTACHMENT A

**Public Outreach Messages**

ATTACHMENT B

**Standard Agreement**

**Attachment A**

**BACWA's Public Outreach Messages**

BACWA's core message for our communications initiative is that our members are **proud of our role in protecting the environment**. We are implementing projects that serve our community and protect San Francisco Bay water quality, as well as land and air resources.

The following are the elements of the core message we want to communicate to the public:

- In urban areas, wastewater travels through a collection system, is cleaned at a wastewater treatment plant, then is safely returned to the environment (flows to a local waterway -(Bay or Ocean), or is recycled
- We provide a core and reliable service to our communities that protects public health and the environment
- Besides ~~conveying~~ collecting and ~~treating~~ cleaning wastewater, we perform other services such as creating renewable energy, protecting air quality, responsibly managing carbon to mitigate climate change, educating customers about pollution prevention, and protecting the communities in which we operate
- We are ~~scientific~~ water quality experts funding and leading scientific research to better manage local waterways including . Examples:
    - We have been funding and are partners in a regional science program aimed at understanding impacts of nutrients in San Francisco Bay
    - We have been funding and are partners in long-term efforts to monitor water quality in San Francisco Bay
    - We are using this science to actively plan and implement new projects to protect the Bay
    - We participate in innovative projects to monitor COVID and other infectious diseases in wastewater
    - We are proactive in addressing source control for compounds of emerging concern such as microplastics and PFAS
    - We understand the multiple hazards posed by climate change and are working to adapt to them
- We are resilient in the face of multiple regional challenges

Where possible, we want to identify "calls to action" for public engagement

**Tools for communication**

BACWA's communication steering committee has developed several concepts to be explored to identify the most effective strategies for public communication. We are soliciting assistance in selecting the most effective strategy(ies):

- Op Ed columns in local news publications

- Talking points to be used by member agencies for incident response
- Development of a standalone website that is a landing spot for public communication about wastewater
    - Including “where does your wastewater go?” button for residents to identify their wastewater agency, and link to online content where available
- Direct social media/internet advertisements
- Unbranded content for BACWA member agencies to use for their social media engagement
- Solicitation of media content from BACWA member agencies
- Development of educational materials for media

# Support for Bay Area Pollution Prevention Group – Policy, Regulatory and Professional Training Support

Bay Area Clean Water Agencies (BACWA)
Request for Qualifications

**2/20/2023**

# Request for Qualifications

***Support for BACWA's Bay Area Pollution Prevention Committee***
***Public Education and Outreach***

## Introduction

The Bay Area Clean Water Agencies (BACWA) is a regional organization created by a joint powers agreement among the five largest wastewater treatment agencies in the San Francisco Bay Area. BACWA represents Bay Area wastewater agencies by undertaking relevant scientific and technical studies and research, and by participating in the development of national, state, and regional policies. BACWA has several committees that provide a venue for our member agencies to meet and discuss issues of common importance.

One of BACWA's key committees is the Bay Area Pollution Prevention Group (BAPPG). BAPPG develops a Bay-wide pollution prevention program, including regulatory advocacy, public education, and outreach on how Bay Area residents and businesses can protect San Francisco Bay by preventing pollution at the source.

BACWA seeks the services of an individual(s), a firm, or team (Consultant) to provide support for BAPPG. The Consultant will conduct professional training and provide research and regulatory support (including but not limited to pesticides, pharmaceuticals, and dental mercury). The Consultant will specifically:

1. Conduct outreach to professionals and, as needed, develop and training workshops. The focus is expected to be on dental mercury and pesticides but consultants should have the expertise and experience to also provide trainings regarding other pollutants of concern.
2. Consultant will be on-call to develop regulatory letters, conduct literature reviews, or provide other technical support. Topics could include but are not limited to metals, pesticides, nutrients, PFAS, FOG, trash/wipes, and emerging constituents.
3. Prepare relevant outreach sections to the BAPPG Annual Report to be submitted to the BACWA Board of Directors. Participate in BACWA Pesticide Committee meetings. Present to BAPPG meeting once a year to provide significant update of technical topics.

## Request for Qualifications

BACWA is issuing this Requesting for Qualifications from Consultants interested in providing outreach support to BAPPG, as a first step in a competitive qualification based process. Consultants submitting their Qualifications should have a technical background in pollution prevention and experience working with professional organizations and educational institutions.

## Organization and Content of the Submittal

The Qualifications must be submitted in the form of a letter proposal with attached resume(s). Please limit the overall number of pages of the letter, excluding the resume(s), to 2 pages or less. If added pages are needed please contact the BACWA Regulatory Program Manager, Mary Cousins, with the rationale.

## Submittal

Please submit Qualifications via email to Mary Cousins (mcousins@bacwa.org) by 5pm on Monday, May 1, 2023.

## Consultant Selection

Following receipt of Qualifications, a Selection Committee made up of BACWA Board members, BAPPG Steering Committee members, and BACWA staff will evaluate the submittals. Based on submittals received, the Selection Committee will either recommend that BACWA solicit full proposals, or sole-source the contract based on the candidate with the strongest qualifications. Consultants submitting qualifications will be notified of BACWA's decision by May 31, 2023.

Following Consultant selection, a Scope of Work and contract will be negotiated. The contract will specify billing for services on an hourly basis as required to complete the Scope of Work. The contract will begin July 1, 2023. The term of this agreement shall not extend beyond June 30, 2024 but may be extended for four additional one-year terms at BACWA's discretion, ending June 30, 2028. If, upon reaching the end of any one-year term of the contract, the Board elects to extend the contract for another year, the amount of the extended contract will be negotiated at the time the contract is extended. The BACWA standard consulting agreement will be used for this work (see attachment A).

ATTACHMENT A

# Standard Agreement

## WHAT'S NEXT

By 2025, as a first step in implementing these priorities, the SPM Work Group and Urban Subgroup call on the state to develop a plan, funding mechanisms, and programs to prioritize pesticides for reduction, and to support the practice change necessary to transition away from the use of high-risk pesticides in agricultural and nonagricultural settings.

***No one recommendation—or even one leverage point—will, on its own, bring about systemic change. To meet the 2050 goals, the full breadth of the Roadmap must be implemented. In addition, the Roadmap recommendations can only be effectively implemented if the entire system is working together to create the conditions necessary for these outcomes to be realized. Please join us in making this bold vision a reality!***




**GET IN TOUCH:** **CDFA:** OfficeOfPublicAffairs@cdfa.ca.gov **DPR:** cdprweb@cdpr.ca.gov.




ACCELERATING

# SUSTAINABLE PEST MANAGEMENT: EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

## A ROADMAP FOR CALIFORNIA


**DEVELOPED BY:**
Members of the Sustainable Pest Management Work Group and Urban Subgroup

**IN COLLABORATION WITH:**
California Department of Pesticide Regulation
California Department of Food and Agriculture
California Environmental Protection Agency

**FACILITATED BY:**
Ag Innovations

**PUBLISHED:**
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## THE SPM WORK GROUP AND URBAN SUBGROUP

### ORIGIN

While much progress has been made in recent decades by a wide range of entities to transition to safer and more sustainable pest management practices, more work is clearly needed. Despite California's strict regulatory system and robust risk assessment process, there are still chemical tools in use that can cause harm to humans and the environment. The California Department of Pesticide Regulation (DPR), the California Environmental Protection Agency (CalEPA), and California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA) launched the Sustainable Pest Management (SPM) Work Group, as part of the State of California's commitment to accelerating the transition away from high-risk pesticides[1] toward adoption of safer, sustainable pest control practices.

### SPM WORK GROUP

Thirty-three leaders representing diverse interests were charged with aligning on a pathway to minimize reliance on the use of toxic pesticides and promote solutions that protect health and safety, are agronomically and economically sound, eliminate racial and other disparities, and engage, educate, and promote collaboration toward safe, sustainable pest management practices in production agriculture. Twenty-five of the Work Group members focused on agriculture, and eight focused on urban issues.

### URBAN SUBGROUP

While most people associate pesticide use with agricultural settings, there is significant use and impact in urban settings. Based on limited current data, nonagricultural uses account for between 35-55 percent of pesticide sales (pounds sold), 16-19 percent of reported pesticide use (pounds applied primarily by licensed applicators), and 65-75 percent of reported pesticide-related illnesses.[2] DPR invited nine leaders to collaboratively develop guidance on where and how to focus DPR resources, as well as other recommendations for ways that DPR and other entities might support urban sustainable pest management in California.

### APPROACH

The SPM Work Group and Urban Subgroup developed this report "Accelerating Sustainable Pest Management: A Roadmap for California," hereafter referred to as simply the "Roadmap," through focus groups, learning journeys, a systems assessment, stakeholder feedback, and months of dialogue. Leaders representing a wide range of interests in the system, including production agriculture, farmworker and rural communities, Tribes, urban communities, socially disadvantaged and historically marginalized communities, the pest control sector, chemical input companies, government, supply chain companies, academia, environmental sciences, public health, and technical assistance, were asked to think holistically and work collaboratively in developing a roadmap that would advance pest management in California.

1 The SPM Work Group and Urban Subgroup define "high-risk pesticides" as active ingredients that are highly hazardous and/or formulations or uses that pose a likelihood of, or are known to cause, significant or widespread human and/or ecological impacts from their use.

2 Ranges provided by DPR for the four most recent years of data available through the pesticide mill reporting (2018-2021), pesticide use reporting (2018-2021), and pesticide illness surveillance program (2016-2019).

# SPM: AN OVERVIEW

**Sustainable pest management (SPM) is a process of continual improvement that integrates an array of practices and products aimed at creating healthy, resilient ecosystems, farms, communities, cities, landscapes, homes, and gardens.** SPM examines the interconnectedness of pest pressures, ecosystem health, and human wellbeing. SPM asks each of us to become an active participant and an informed steward in the effort to enhance a healthy, thriving California.

## WHAT IS SPM?

Sustainable Pest Management (SPM) is a holistic, whole-system approach applicable in agricultural and other managed ecosystems and urban and rural communities that builds on the concept of integrated pest management (IPM) to include the wider context of the **three sustainability pillars ▸**


SPM is an evolution of the IPM concept, which the University of California Statewide Integrated Pest Management Program (UC IPM) defines as an ecosystem-based strategy that focuses on long-term prevention of pests or their damage through a combination of techniques such as biological control, habitat manipulation, modification of cultural practices, and use of resistant varieties. Pesticides are used only after monitoring indicates they are needed according to established guidelines, and treatments are made with the goal of removing only the target organism. Pest control materials are selected and applied in a manner that minimizes risks to human health, beneficial and nontarget organisms, and the environment.

Like IPM, SPM guides pest management decisions, and includes a wide range of tools and approaches. SPM goes beyond a checklist of practices or products to address: **1. Impacts on communities, and equity, 2. Linkages to broader environmental issues such as water conservation, biodiversity conservation, soil health, and climate impact, 3. A broader consideration of economic benefits and impacts.**

## OUR NORTH STAR

By 2050, pest management approaches in both agricultural and urban contexts in California will promote human health and safety, ecosystem resilience, agricultural sustainability, community wellbeing, and economic vitality. The implementation of these approaches will help steward the state's natural and cultural resources, enabling healthy lives for all and an abundant, healthy food supply for future generations.

**We believe that by implementing the Roadmap's recommendations, California will be able to achieve the following goals by 2050.**

### 2050 GOALS FOR CALIFORNIA PEST MANAGEMENT

**1** **BY 2050...**

California has eliminated the use of Priority Pesticides by transitioning to sustainable pest management practices.

**2** **BY 2050...**

Sustainable pest management has been adopted as the de facto pest management system in California.

***A priority outcome of these 2050 goals is the elimination of the adverse human health and environmental impacts associated with pesticide use.***

## KEYSTONE ACTIONS

The following are the Work Group and Urban Subgroup's keystone actions - those that are urgent and foundational to the success of our collective efforts towards safer, sustainable pest management:

**A** **Prioritize Prevention**

Strengthen California's commitment to pest prevention by proactively preventing the establishment of new invasive pest species, and by proactively eliminating pest-conducive conditions both in agricultural and urban settings.

**B** **Coordinate State-Level Leadership**

Create an accountable and connected leadership structure to champion SPM in the field, effectively embed SPM principles across agencies, and improve coordination.

**C** **Invest in Building SPM Knowledge**

Significantly invest in SPM-focused research and outreach so that all pest management practitioners have equal and adequate access to the support and resources necessary to develop and implement their own SPM system.

▸ **IN AGRICULTURAL PEST MANAGEMENT:**

*Secure a significant increase in SPM-trained technical advisors and funding for SPM multi-directional research and outreach.*

▸ **IN URBAN PEST MANAGEMENT:**

*Expand funding and infrastructure for urban SPM research, innovation, and outreach to align with and reflect the volume and impacts of pesticides used in urban contexts.*

**D** **Improve California's Pesticide Registration Processes and Bring Alternative Products to Market**

Create mechanisms to improve DPR's registration review process and to prioritize and expedite safer, more sustainable alternative products to high-risk pesticides, and improve processes for evaluating currently registered pesticides.

**E** **Enhance Monitoring and Data Collection**

Significantly expand and fully fund health & environmental monitoring infrastructure, data collection, and interpretation.

### PRIORITY PESTICIDES

"Priority Pesticides," which we are intentionally capitalizing, refer to pesticide products, active ingredients, and groups of related products within the context of specific product uses or pest/location use combinations that have been deemed to be of greatest concern and warrant heightened attention, planning, and support to expedite their replacement and eventual elimination. The criteria for classifying pesticides as "Priority Pesticides" includes, but is not limited to hazard and risk classifications,[3] availability of effective alternative products or practices,[4] and special consideration of pest management situations that potentially cause severe or widespread adverse impacts. The identification of these Priority Pesticides will be conducted by DPR under advisement of the multistakeholder Sustainable Pest Management Priorities Advisory Committee. Priority Pesticides are a subset of high-risk pesticides. We define "high risk" pesticides as active ingredients that are highly hazardous and/or formulations or uses that pose a likelihood of, or are known to cause, significant or widespread human and/or ecological impacts from their use.

## LEVERAGE POINTS

The keystone actions above are part of a complete and interconnected set of recommendations developed by the SPM Work Group and Urban Subgroup, which fall into the following leverage points in the system—places where sustained and focused effort lead to outsize effect in moving the system toward a greater state of health.

### TO ACHIEVE AGRICULTURAL AND URBAN SPM

1. Update California's pest prevention, exclusion and mitigation systems.
2. Improve California's pesticide registration and continuous evaluation.
3. Strengthen coordinated SPM leadership structures.

### TO ACHIEVE AGRICULTURAL SPM

4. Enhance knowledge, research, and technical assistance.
5. Align pest control advisors with SPM.
6. Reduce economic risk for growers transitioning to SPM.
7. Activate markets to drive SPM.

### TO ACHIEVE URBAN SPM

8. Enhance data and information collection for urban pesticide use.
9. Advance research and outreach on urban pest management issues.
10. Make SPM the preferred choice for both licensed and unlicensed users.
11. Refocus urban design, building codes, and regulations to enhance pest prevention.

3 Including but not limited to California classifications of groundwater contaminants, toxic air contaminants, and restricted products as well as carcinogens, endocrine disruptors, reproductive and developmental toxicants, and environmental toxicants, such as those toxic to non-target pollinators, mammals, birds, and fish.

4 Consideration of alternative products or consideration of the availability of multiple techniques and products to prevent resistance development and when the product under review has no viable alternatives. Viability includes but is not limited to the variables of efficacy, affordability, and availability. Preventive practices include methods of biological and cultural ecosystem management that minimize pest problems and the need for pest control.

AIR ISSUES & REGULATIONS COMMITTEE
A Committee of the Bay Area Clean Water Agencies

# BACWA-BAAQMD
# Implementation Workgroup
# Meeting Agenda

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|---|---|
| **Date:** | February 9, 2023 |
| **Time:** | 1-3 pm |
| **Zoom Link:** | Link is provided in meeting invite |
| **Call-in:** | Included in meeting invite |

1) **Introductions**

2) **Overview of Previous Meeting: Decisions, Action Items, and Next Steps**

| Action item | Status | Next steps | Feb 9 New action items |
|---|---|---|---|
| a) Engage in strategic planning with new Executive Officer and/or go to Finance and Budget Committee to request more staff be assigned to permitting | New EO (Dr. Philip Fine) appointed Dec 21st and his start date is Feb 21st | Outlook on leadership and staffing. | BACWA to follow up on SP process in a few months.<br>Engage with Budget committee on staffing allocation |
| b) BACWA to remind AIR Committee members that they should ask for extensions on source testing from Enforcement staff, not source testing staff *(BACWA AIR Committee Meetings)* | Need feedback from BAAQMD | Confirmation of authority for granting extensions. | Pam to identify lead in enforcement division to engage with BACWA. |
| c) Send the standard permit conditions markups to Sanjeev *(BACWA)* | Delivered | Discussion of next steps. | Sanjeev to review SPCs. Brenda and Sanjeev to respond to edits and propose additional SPCs for BACWA review. |
| d) BACWA to work with Jerry on standard formatting for source test results to improve reporting quality and efficiency (*BACWA/BAAQMD*) | Pending | Discussion of next steps. Get input on what methods could be approved. | Elaine will confer with Jerry and Marco on next steps, then follow up with BACWA. |

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|---|---|---|---|
| e) BAAQMD / CASA Air Toxics meeting week of Nov 28 *(BACWA)* | Took place Dec 5th and continued coordination via CASA | Status update and discussion of alignment between CARB process and 11-18. | Lorien will send out a doodle for the next air toxics meeting to review compound list and facilities list. |
| f) Review PM 2.5 Local Risk Method document*(BACWA AIR Committee)* | Complete – Draft posted | Discussion of next steps | BACWA will monitor community advisory council meetins. monitor Stationary Source, Advisory Council and Community Advisory Council agendas, because different aspects of this will be heard at each over the course of the year. |

Lorien to send invite to annual meeting
BACWA to start on report to the Board. Greg will identify meeting for this items.

3) **Outlook for 2023**

   a) Strategic Planning with the New Executive Officer – How does BACWA engage in Strategic Planning?

   b) Reopening of Permitting Rules – What is the schedule and drivers?

4) **Other Opportunities for Collaboration between BACWA and BAAQMD**

5) **Report-out to BAAQMD Board on Workgroup items**

   - BACWA proposes to develop report for BAAQMD staff to review.
   - Connect with new EO prior to report to the Board.

6) **Action Item Summary**

7) **Schedule Next Quarterly Meeting:** Monday, April 24th
   **1-**3pm Finalize report to the Board

8) **Adjourn**

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BACWA BAY AREA CLEAN WATER AGENCIES
COLLECTION SYSTEMS COMMITTEE

# Resources for Implementation of Reissued Sanitary Sewer Systems General Order (SSS-WDR)

The Statewide Waste Discharge Requirements for Sanitary Sewer Systems (SSS-WDR) General Order has been reissued as Order WQ-2022-0103 DWQ. The effective date is June 5, 2023.

| Timing | BACWA Actions | SSS-WDR Enrollees |
|---|---|---|
| Before June 5, 2023 | • **Training.** Participate in Clean Water Summit Partners webinar(s).<br>• Direct members to CWEA and other vendor training events.<br>• **Continuing Coverage.** Coordinate with Clean Water Summit Partners and State Water Board to conduct member outreach and develop guidance materials to ensure continuing coverage for enrollees.<br>• **Guidance.** Develop scope for additional guidance materials (e.g., audits and SSMP updates). | • **Training**. Attend training events to learn about new requirements.<br>• **Continuing Coverage.** Certify continuing coverage in CIWQS between April 5 and June 4.<br>• Update existing Overflow Emergency Response Plans to become **Spill Emergency Response Plans.** Submittal is not required.<br>• **Designate Legally Responsible Official** in CIWQS, if needed.<br>• Upload **Existing Sewer System Management Plan** (SSMP) to CIWQS. |
| June 2023-April 2024 | • **Discussion Forum.** Provide a forum for members to discuss compliance with the reissued SSS-WDR.<br>• Develop and/or distribute guidance materials related to submittal of newly formatted **Annual Reports.** | • **Spill Reporting.** Comply with revised monitoring and reporting requirements, including new Category 4 and lateral spill reporting procedures.<br>• The first **Annual Report** is due April 1, 2024. |
| 2023 – 2025 | • **Guidance**. Develop additional guidance materials (e.g., audits and SSMP updates) or templates<br>• Continue to **coordinate** with Clean Water Summit Partners and State Water Board on other statewide guidance materials. | • **SSMP Updates** per the reissued SSS-WDR are due in 2025 or 2026.<br>• **SSMP Audits** per the reissued SSS-WDR are due in 2024 or 2025.<br>• **Boundary Maps** are due in 2025. |

## Additional Resources

CASA CWEA California Water Boards

## CARB CTR Two-Step Process (Air Toxics Pooled Emissions Estimation Program II)

**DRAFT Breakdown Estimate by Average Dry Weather Flow (MGD) and by Study Step/Fiscal Year**

| |
|---|
| Entered Data |
| Carried Over |
| Calculation |

| | |
|---|---|
| **Estimated Number of CTR Facilities** | 147 |
| **Approximate Total Permitted ADWF (MGD)** | 4700 |
| **Estimated Total Budget (USD)** | $10,000,000 |
| **Percent of Total Budget (%)** | 100% |
| **Estimated Cost per permitted ADWF ($/MGD)** | $2,100 |
| **Example cost in a given year for a 10 MGD Facility** | 10 |
| **Example cost in a given year for a 65 MGD Facility** | 65 |

| **Step 1: Scan** | **Step 2: Quantification** | | **Final Report** |
|---|---|---|---|
| **FY 23-24** | **FY 24-25** | **FY 25-26** | **FY 26-27** |
| $2,000,000 | $5,000,000 | $2,000,000 | $1,000,000 |
| 20% | 50% | 20% | 10% |
| $400 | $1,100 | $400 | $200 |
| $4,000 | $11,000 | $4,000 | $2,000 |
| $26,000 | $71,500 | $26,000 | $13,000 |

**BAY AREA CLEAN WATER AGENCIES**
**ANNUAL MEETING ROGRAM**
**May 5 2023**
**David Brower Center**
**Berkeley, CA**

| TIME | DESCRIPTION | SPEAKER |
|---|---|---|
| **8:30am - 9:00am** | **Coffee in the lobby** | |
| **9:00 am - 9:15 am** | **Welcome/Introduction**<br>**Year in Review** | Amit Mutsuddy, BACWA Chair/ EBMUD<br>Lorien Fono, BACWA |
| **9:15 am - 10:30 am** | **Regulator Priorities**<br>Bay Area Air Quality Management District<br>EPA<br>San Francisco Bay Regional Water Board staff<br>State Water Resources Control Board staff<br>Q&A | **Moderator:**<br>Greg Nudd/Phil Fine<br><br>Tom Mumley/Eileen White<br>Karen Mogus |
| **10:30 am - 11:00 am** | **Break - Coffee and snacks in the foyer** | |
| **11:00 am - 12:40 pm** | **Nutrients - Moderated Discussion**<br>Overview (5min)<br>Science Update (10min)<br>Regulatory Perspective (10 min)<br>GAR, Management Alternatives, and Recycled Water (10 min)<br>NBS (5min)<br>**Facilitated Discussion** | **Moderator:**<br>Lorien Fono, BACWA<br>David Senn, SFEI<br>Tom Mumley R2<br>Mike Falk, HDR<br>Ian Wren, Baykeeper and SFEI |
| **12:40 pm - 1:40 pm** | **Lunch - On the terrace** | |
| **1:40 pm - 1:50 pm** | **BACWA Leadership Recognition** | **Amit Mutsuddy, BACWA Chair/City of San José** |
| **1:50 pm - 3:20 pm** | **BACWA Hot Topics**<br>PFAS Study - Phase 2 results<br>Issues in AIR Regulatory Compliance<br>Biosolids - a changing landscape<br>Sanitary Sewer Systems General Order<br>Extreme Precipitation<br>DEIJ | **Moderator:**<br>Diana Lin, SFEI<br>Courtney Mizutani, Mizutani Environmental<br>Sarah Deslauriers, Carollo<br>Mary Cousins, BACWA<br>Flood control?<br>Report-out from workshop? Case study? |
| **3:20 pm - 3:30 pm** | **Annual Meeting Wrap-Up** | **Amit Mutsuddy, BACWA Chair/EBMUD** |
| **3:30pm** | **Adjourn - Social hour** | |

# Draft FY 2024 Budget

| BACWA FY23 BUDGET | Line Item Description | Final FY23 Budget | DRAFT FY24 Budget | % change | FY24 NOTES |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| ***REVENUES & FUNDING*** | | | | | |
| **Dues** | Principals' Contributions | $527,250 | $537,795 | 2% | FY24: 2% increase 5 @ $107,559 |
| | Associate & Affiliate Contributions | $187,793 | $190,078 | 2% | FY24: 2% increase. 12 Assoc: $8876 47 Affiliate: $1778 |
| **Fees** | Clean Bay Collaborative | $675,000 | $675,000 | 0% | Same as FY23. Prin: $450,000; Assoc/Affil: $225,000 |
| | Nutrient Surcharge | $1,400,000 | $1,400,000 | 0% | See Nutrient Surcharge Spreadsheet |
| | Member Voluntary Nutrient Contributions | | | | |
| **Other Receipts** | AIR Non-Member | $7,217 | $7,361 | 2% | 2% increase (Santa Rosa) |
| | BAPPG Non-Members | $4,033 | $4,114 | 2% | 2% increase (Sta Rosa, Sac Reg'l, Vacaville) $1,380/each |
| | Other | | | | |
| **Fund Transfer** | Special Program Admin Fees (WOT) | $5,202 | $1,000 | -80% | |
| | BACC Admin Fees | $36,000 | $38,250 | 7% | 400 hours of AED support $96.30/hr |
| | BABC Admin Fees | $6,000 | $6,000 | 0% | ED, AED and RPM support |
| | CASA Air toxics passthrough | | $xx | | new line item in FY24 |
| **Interest Income** | LAIF | $4,000 | $60,000 | 0% | BACWA, Legal, & CBC Funds invested in LAIF |
| | Higher Yield Investments | | | | |
| | **Total Revenue** | **$2,852,495** | **$2,919,598** | | |

| BACWA FY23 BUDGET | Line Item Description | FY 23 Budget | FY24 Budget | | FY24 NOTES |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| ***EXPENSES*** | | | | | |
| **Labor** | | | | | |
| | Executive Director | $204,250 | $218,548 | 7% | 7% (incl 4.9% CPI SF Bay Metro Area Dec 2022) |
| | Assistant Executive Director | $86,004 | $92,024 | 7% | 7% (incl 4.9% CPI SF Bay Metro Area Dec 2022); $76.69/hour; Reflects 1200 hours |
| | BACC Administrator | $36,000 | $38,520 | 7% | 400 hrs AED support at $96.30 per hr |
| | Regulatory Program Manager | $142,223 | $152,179 | 7% | 7% (4.9% CPI SF Bay Metro Area Dec 2022); $112.72/hour, Reflects 1350 hours |
| | **Total** | **$468,477** | **$501,271** | | |
| **Administration** | | | | | |
| | EBMUD Financial Services | $43,297 | $43,297 | 0% | FY24 no change |
| | Auditing Services | $5,452 | $5,561 | 2% | Finanical Auditors through EBMUD; per auditor rate schedule |
| | Administrative Expenses | $8,118 | $8,118 | 0% | FY24 no change |
| | Insurance | $8,132 | $9,351 | 15% | 15% increase from FY23 (10-15% est. increase per Alliant) |
| | **Total** | **$64,999** | **$66,327** | | |
| **Meetings** | | | | | |
| | EB Meetings | $2,706 | $2,760 | 2% | 2% increase from FY23 |
| | Annual Meeting | $14,369 | $14,369 | 0% | FY24 no change |
| | Pardee | $6,668 | $6,801 | 2% | 2% increase from FY23 |
| | Misc. Meetings and conferences | $5,412 | $7,500 | 30% | 30% increase from FY23 to accommodate conferences |

**Draft FY 2024 Budget**

| ***EXPENSES*** | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | **Total** | **$29,155** | **$31,430** | | |
| **Communication** | | | | | |
| | Website Hosting / Domain registration | $714 | $728 | 2% | 2% increase from FY23, Go Daddy website hosting and domain registration |
| | File Storage | $780 | $796 | 2% | 2% increase from FY23, box.net |
| | Website Development/Maintenance | $1,561 | $1,592 | 2% | 2% increase from FY23 |
| | IT Support (As Needed) | $2,705 | $2,759 | 2% | 2% increase from FY23 |
| | BACWA Value of Wastewater Communication | | $40,000 | | New line item in FY24 |
| | Other Communication | $1,821 | $1,857 | 2% | 2% increase from FY23; MS Exchange, Survey Monkey, PollEv, Zoom, Netfile |
| | **Total** | **$7,581** | **$47,732** | | |
| **Legal** | | | | | |
| | Regulatory Support | $2,871 | $2,929 | 2% | 2% increase from FY23 |
| | Executive Board Support | $2,309 | $2,355 | 2% | 2% increase from FY23 |
| | **Total** | **$5,181** | **$5,284** | | |
| **Committees** | | | | | |
| | AIR | $76,000 | $76,000 | 0% | $75k consulting support, $1k misc expenses |
| | AIR support for ACE | $20,000 | $20,000 | 0% | New in FY23 |
| | BAPPG | $130,000 | $159,000 | 17% | Includes CPSC @ $5,000, OWOW @ $10,000, NSAC @ $10,000 and Pest. Reg Spt. @ $71,500 |
| | Biosolids Committee | $0 | $0 | | |
| | Collections System | $1,000 | $56,000 | 56% | SSS WDR Support |
| | InfoShare Groups | $1,000 | $500 | -50% | $500 decrease from FY23 |
| | Laboratory Committee | $6,400 | $4,050 | -37% | $2,350 less than FY23, TNI training |
| | Permits Committee | $1,000 | $500 | -50% | $500 decrease from FY23 |
| | Pretreatment | $1,000 | $500 | -50% | $500 decrease from FY23 |
| | Recycled Water Committee | $20,000 | $10,000 | -50% | Carry forward from FY23 |
| | Misc Committee Support | $45,000 | $45,000 | 0% | Same as FY23 |
| | Manager's Roundtable | $1,000 | $1,000 | 0% | Same as FY23 |
| | **Total** | **$302,400** | **$372,550** | | |
| **Collaboratives** | | | | | |
| | **Collaboratives** | | | | |
| | State of the Estuary (SFEP-biennial) | $20,000 | $0 | 0% | Bienniel in Odd Fiscal Years. (Paid bienniely in odd years for even year conference) |
| | Arleen Navarret Award | $2,500 | $2,500 | 0% | Likely pay FY24 award in FY25 depending on timing of awardee's conference |
| | BayCAN | $5,000 | $5,000 | 0% | |
| | Stanford ERC (ReNUWIt) | $0 | | | Program is sunsetting |
| | Bay Area One Water Network | $5,000 | $5,000 | 0% | Same as FY23 |
| | Bruce Wolfe Scholarship | $4,000 | $4,000 | 0% | FY22, FY23, FY24, FY25 FY26 |
| | Passthrough to CASA for air toxics | | $xx | | new line item in FY24 |
| | Misc | $1,500 | $1,500 | 0% | NBWA |
| | **Total** | **$38,000** | **$18,000** | | |
| **Other** | | | | | |
| | **Unbudgeted Items** | | | | |

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| ***EXPENSES*** | | | | | |
| | Other | $0 | | | |
| | | **$0** | | | |
| **Tech Support** | | | | | |
| | **Technical Support** | | | | |
| | **Nutrients** | | | | |
| | Watershed Permit NMS Contribution | $1,800,000 | $1,800,000 | 0% | Advance funding for 2nd Watershed Permit Sciece Studies; Final $ TBD |
| | NMS Voluntary Contributions | $0 | | | |
| | Additional work under permit | $100,000 | $100,000 | 0% | Includes HDR PO for $225k spread out over FY20-24. |
| | Regional Study on Nature Based Systems | $248,811 | $100,000 | -59% | SFEI $500K, expires 06/30/2022; Possible funds left over from FY23 to be spent on additional work |
| | Regional Recycling Evaluation | $63,525 | $0 | | HDR $154K, expires 12/31/2023 |
| | Nutrient Workshop(s) | $0 | $0 | | Pilot Studies/Plant Review/Innovative Technologies; Might change |
| | NMS Reviewer | $50,000 | $50,000 | 0% | M. Connor Contract |
| | General Tech Support | $100,000 | $100,000 | 0% | AB617 emissions factors, PFAS, other nutrient support |
| | CEC Investigations | $140,000 | $60,000 | -57% | PFAS Study Phase II completion |
| | Risk Reduction | $12,500 | $12,500 | 0% | APA FSS completed $12,500 contract in FY20, CIEA will complete $12,500 contract in FY23 |
| | **Total** | **$2,514,836** | **$2,222,500** | | |
| | **TOTAL EXPENSES** | **$3,430,628** | **$3,265,095** | | |
| | **NET INCOME BEFORE TRANSFERS** | **-$578,133** | **-$345,497** | | |
| | **TRANSFERS FROM RESERVES** | **$578,133** | | | aligns with strategy of drawing down reserves to lessen impact of Nutrient Surcharge |
| | **NET INCOME AFTER TRANSFERS** | **$0** | | | |
| | **TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET** | **$915,792** | | | |
| | **OPERATING RESERVE** | **$228,948** | | | |

# Nutrient Surcharge

| | | 2nd watershed permit calcs | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **BACWA Agency** | **Subembayment** | **2019/20** | **2021/2022** | **2022/23** | **Average of Oct 2019 - Sept 2022 (3 Years)** | **% (based on TIN) FY23** | **% (based on TIN) FY24** | **FY 23 Nutrient Surcharge*** | **FY 24 Nutrient Surcharge*** | % Change from FY23 to FY24 | $$ Change from FY23 to FY24 | % Change in Load FY23 to FY24 | % Change in % Contribution from FY22 to FY23 (New Metric) |
| **Basis for Allocation** | | | | | | | | **TIN (Oct 2018-Sept 2021)** | **TIN (Oct 2019-Sept 2022)** | | | | |
| **Amount Needed Science Funding** | | | | | | | | **1,400,000** | **1,400,000** | | | | |
| CCCSD | Suisun Bay | 3,980 | 4,260 | 4,160 | 4,133 | 8.08% | 8.66% | $113,065 | $121,245 | 6% | $ 8,180 | 3% | 7% |
| EBDA | South Bay | 8,950 | 7,710 | 7,900 | 8,187 | 16.94% | 17.15% | $237,125 | $240,143 | 1% | $ 3,017 | -3% | 1% |
| EBMUD | Central Bay | 9,320 | 8,630 | 9,890 | 9,280 | 18.32% | 19.44% | $256,486 | $272,214 | 5% | $ 15,727 | 2% | 6% |
| San Jose | Lower South Bay | 4,880 | 4,080 | 3,450 | 4,137 | 9.71% | 8.67% | $135,903 | $121,342 | -9% | $ (14,561) | -14% | -11% |
| SFPUC Southeast | South Bay | 7,210 | 6,500 | 6,880 | 6,863 | 15.15% | 14.38% | $212,031 | $201,325 | -4% | $ (10,706) | -9% | -5% |
| American Canyon | San Pablo Bay | 33.1 | 17.8 | 18.9 | 23.3 | 0.06% | 0.05% | $829 | $682 | -13% | $ (146) | -21% | -18% |
| Benicia | San Pablo Bay | 211 | 228 | 211 | 217 | 0.44% | 0.45% | $6,212 | $6,356 | 2% | $ 143 | -2% | 2% |
| Burlingame | South Bay | 460 | 402 | 349 | 404 | 0.89% | 0.85% | $12,481 | $11,841 | -5% | $ (640) | -9% | -5% |
| CMSA | Central Bay | 1,170 | 1,090 | 1,030 | 1,097 | 2.27% | 2.30% | $31,767 | $32,169 | 1% | $ 402 | -3% | 1% |
| Crockett (Port Costa) | San Pablo Bay | 1.45 | 1.29 | 2.22 | 1.65 | 0.00% | 0.00% | $32 | $48 | 36% | $ 16 | 44% | 50% |
| Delta Diablo | Suisun Bay | 1,330 | 1,210 | 1,100 | 1,213 | 2.71% | 2.54% | $37,970 | $35,591 | -5% | $ (2,379) | -10% | -6% |
| FSSD | Suisun Bay | 1,040 | 1,010 | 1,120 | 1,057 | 2.13% | 2.21% | $29,887 | $30,996 | 3% | $ 1,108 | 0% | 4% |
| Las Gallinas[(b)] | San Pablo Bay | 160 | 128 | 53.1 | 113.7 | 0.30% | 0.24% | $4,145 | $3,335 | -17% | $ (810) | -23% | -20% |
| MSD 5 (Tiburon & Paradise Cove) | Central Bay | 35.59 | 42.82 | 57.656 | 45.355 | 0.09% | 0.10% | $1,221 | $1,330 | 7% | $ 109 | 5% | 9% |
| Millbrae | South Bay | 288 | 278 | 245 | 270 | 0.57% | 0.57% | $8,008 | $7,930 | -1% | $ (78) | -5% | -1% |
| Mt. View | Suisun Bay | 112 | 99.2 | 70.6 | 93.9 | 0.22% | 0.20% | $3,066 | $2,755 | -8% | $ (310) | -14% | -10% |
| Napa SD | San Pablo Bay | 152 | 41.1 | 119 | 104 | 0.34% | 0.22% | $4,719 | $3,052 | -25% | $ (1,667) | -38% | -35% |
| Novato SD | San Pablo Bay | 112 | 94.5 | 92.2 | 99.6 | 0.27% | 0.21% | $3,802 | $2,921 | -18% | $ (881) | -26% | -23% |
| Palo Alto | Lower South Bay | 2,220 | 1,950 | 2,150 | 2,107 | 4.35% | 4.41% | $60,903 | $61,796 | 1% | $ 893 | -2% | 1% |
| Petaluma | San Pablo Bay | 6.68 | 5.31 | 7.14 | 6.38 | 0.02% | 0.01% | $340 | $187 | -39% | $ (153) | -47% | -45% |
| Pinole | San Pablo Bay | 232 | 273 | 410 | 305 | 0.49% | 0.64% | $6,880 | $8,947 | 24% | $ 2,067 | 25% | 30% |
| Rodeo SD | San Pablo Bay | 38.7 | 31.6 | 50.8 | 40.4 | 0.07% | 0.08% | $1,021 | $1,184 | 14% | $ 163 | 12% | 16% |
| SFO Airport | South Bay | 25.2 | 55.1 | 72.8 | 51.0 | 0.13% | 0.11% | $1,760 | $1,497 | -9% | $ (263) | -18% | -15% |
| San Mateo | South Bay | 1,330 | 1,380 | 1,390 | 1,367 | 2.85% | 2.86% | $39,850 | $40,089 | 1% | $ 239 | -3% | 1% |
| Sausalito-Marin City SD | Central Bay | 124 | 141 | 116 | 127 | 0.27% | 0.27% | $3,750 | $3,725 | -1% | $ (25) | -5% | -1% |
| Sewerage Agency of SM | Central Bay | 219 | 227 | 227 | 224 | 0.44% | 0.47% | $6,175 | $6,580 | 6% | $ 406 | 2% | 7% |
| Sonoma Co Water Ag | San Pablo Bay | 0 | 0 | 0.871 | 0.290 | 0.02% | 0.00% | $281 | $9 | -84% | $ (273) | -97% | -97% |
| SVCW | South Bay | 2,590 | 2,410 | 2,670 | 2,557 | 5.13% | 5.36% | $71,805 | $74,996 | 4% | $ 3,191 | 0% | 4% |
| South SF | South Bay | 1,160 | 1,160 | 1,030 | 1,117 | 2.44% | 2.34% | $34,117 | $32,756 | -4% | $ (1,361) | -8% | -4% |
| Sunnyvale | Lower South Bay | 810 | 900 | 846 | 852 | 1.80% | 1.79% | $25,132 | $24,992 | 0% | $ (140) | -4% | -1% |
| Treasure Island | Central Bay | 20.9 | 19 | 16.9 | 18.93 | 0.04% | 0.04% | $506 | $555 | 10% | $ 50 | 6% | 10% |
| Vallejo Sanitation & FCD | San Pablo Bay | 851 | 849 | 826 | 842 | 1.76% | 1.76% | $24,699 | $24,699 | 0% | $ (1) | -4% | 0% |
| West County Agency | Central Bay | 799 | 761 | 763 | 774 | 1.72% | 1.62% | $24,032 | $22,714 | -5% | $ (1,318) | -9% | -5% |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | **49,872** | **45,985** | **47,325** | 47,727 | | | | | | | | |
| **Principals Only** | | **34,340** | **31,180** | **32,280** | 32,600 | 68.19% | 68.30% | $954,611 | $956,269 | | | | |
| **Total w/o principals** | | **15,532** | **14,805** | **15,045** | 15,127 | 31.81% | 31.70% | $445,389 | $443,731 | | | | |
| **Total** | | | | | | **100.00%** | **100.00%** | **$1,400,000** | **$1,400,000** | | | | |

**From:** Joe Neugebauer <jneugebauer@wcwd.org>
**Sent:** Monday, February 6, 2023 1:17 PM
**To:** Jennifer Dyment <jdyment@bacwa.org>
**Subject:** RE: FY24: BAPPG Committee

Hi Jennifer,

I'm sorry, I thought I had sent it to you but going back through my emails it looks like I didn't. I guess I got confused with my communications with the BAPPG steering committee. Anyway, it's attached here. We had to add a little bit to each account compared to last year because of inflation. We are also asking that BACWA increase our funding to the National Stewardship Action Council (NSAC) from $5,000 to $10,000. Below is justification for the increase in case you or someone else on the BACWA board asks…

The NSAC is working with LA County on a possible EPR ordinance for all HHW including pesticides. This could translate and be very helpful to other counties with the goal of using that as a model for potential state legislation. They are also supporting the state legislation to ban PFAS and other problematic chemicals from plastics, as well as tracking the implementation of the bills they helped pass including AB 707 and AB 732 on mercury thermostats and starting next year, the sales ban on mercury-containing CFLs (AB 2208). They will be tracking compliance with AB 808 (wipes labeling bill) and putting pressure on wipes manufacturers to comply with the "Do Not Flush" labeling requirement and public outreach funding to the Responsible Flushing Alliance (RFA). Due to staffing and capacity limitations, they are requesting an additional $5,000 of funding for FY2024.

Let me know if you need anything else. Again, sorry for the mix-up!

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## BAPPG Budget FY23 and FY24

| | FY23 | FY24 |
|---|---|---|
| **Policy, Regulatory and Professional Training Support (Hughes)** | 16,000.00 | 19,000.00 |
| **Media Consultant (SGA)** | 30,000.00 | 32,000.00 |
| **Pesticide Regulatory Assistance (Hughes)** | 60,000.00 | 71,500.00 |
| **Our Water Our World Program** | 10,000.00 | 10,000.00 |
| **National Stewardship Action Council** | 5,000.00 | 10,000.00 |
| **California Product Stewardship Council** | 5,000.00 | 5,000.00 |
| **Website Consultant** | 600.00 | 660.00 |
| **Other Projects** | | |
| Unplanned Issues | 4,000.00 | 4,400.00 |
| | | |
| **Total BAPPG Budget** | **130,600.00** | **152,560.00** |

## Lorien Fono

**From:** Jennifer Dyment
**Sent:** Tuesday, January 31, 2023 8:18 AM
**To:** Lorien Fono
**Subject:** FW: BACWA Collection System Committee - Budget Request

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**From:** Damron, Andrew <adamron@napasan.com>
**Sent:** Tuesday, January 31, 2023 6:24 AM
**To:** Jennifer Dyment <jdyment@bacwa.org>
**Cc:** Jackson, Tyree A <TAJackson@oaklandca.gov>; Mary Cousins <mcousins@bacwa.org>
**Subject:** BACWA Collection System Committee - Budget Request

Hi Jennifer –

The Collection System Committee would like to request the following budget for FY24, as follows:

| | |
|---|---|
| $500 | Miscellaneous committee activities (lunch or speaker) |
| $500 | BACWA cost-sharing for SSS-WDR Training Events to be hosted by Summit Partners |
| $5,000 | Member training for SSS-WDR (consultant support) |
| $50,000 | Consultant support to create SSS-WDR guidance materials and/or templates. This is a placeholder value for a contract that could be in the $30-$50k range. We will be discussing further at our February Collection System committee meeting. Conceptually, an RFQ would be issued in spring 2023. The contract start date would be in FY24. |
| $56,000 | **Total** |

Contact us with questions.

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## Lorien Fono

**From:** Bialorucki, Samantha <Samantha.Bialorucki@CityofPaloAlto.org>
**Sent:** Tuesday, January 31, 2023 5:32 PM
**To:** Jennifer Dyment; Lorien Fono
**Cc:** Mary Cousins; Blake Brown
**Subject:** BACWA laboratory Committee Budget Request
**Attachments:** Quotation_BACWA Lab Committtee_Task 1_TNI 2016 Standard Training_Rev 0_20230130.pdf

Hi Jennifer and Lorien,

Please consider this a formal request for $4,050.00 for our laboratory committee funds for this FY23/24. The majority of the funds (not to exceed $ 3,900) are needed for continued help for our laboratories to become compliant with the upcoming TNI 2016 standard (TNI minus 2) requirements. We would like to continue to work with Quality Assurance Solutions (QAS) on this journey. For the rest of the funds ($150.00) we would like to reserve for a future social event for our members.

Task - **July 1st 2023 to June 30th 2024 – Monthly Training Support for the TNI 2016 Standard, Rev 2.1 Minus 2 (CA ELAP).**

- Monthly webinar training via MS Teams or Zoom (or equivalent links provided by BACWA) for training its Laboratory committee members on implementation of the TNI 2016 Standard, Rev. 2.1:
- The training shall be offered monthly for 12 months during the time period for up to 2.0 hours by the Consultant. The Consultant will answer questions presented by attendees in advance of the meeting, during the meeting, or after the meeting via Chat Log.
- Focused topics or retraining may be offered for areas of the accreditation TNI standard covered during past trainings; July 1, 2021 to the present.

I recommend that BACWA proceed with QAS's proposal (attached) as the BACWA laboratory committee members need this type of support, especially as the TNI 2016 (minus 2) deadline for compliance is drawing near (January 01, 2024). The current BACWA training is always well attended and proving this type of information is vital to the lab community.

Thank you please let me know if you have any questions.

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# Management Information Needs from Modeling (February 10, 2023)

Managers are interested in predicting the impacts on Bay water quality resulting from wastewater nutrient load reductions using a series of modeling simulations. The purpose of this brief document is to provide background information to the MAG concerning the types of decisions managers will need to make and how modeling may be able to help inform these decisions.

**Planned Modeling Scenarios**

This document uses the short-hand term “non-anthropogenic factors" to refer to the conditions in modeling scenarios that do not involve nutrient loads. The non-anthropogenic factors defined for the modeling domain that are specified as inputs for the duration of the simulation include meteorological conditions including sunlight, wind and cloud cover, ocean boundary conditions including tides and salinity, freshwater inflows from the tributaries, and light extinction derived from observed suspended sediment concentrations. In addition, other non-anthropogenic factors such as grazing by zooplankton and clams can be simulated within the models based on specified initial biomass levels and growth parameters for the grazers. The model can also simulate phytoplankton growth with various model input parameters that can be tailored to represent the potential for growth of different kinds of phytoplankton. This could include the temperature and salinity preferences, sensitivity to light and the ability to move vertically within the water column. The latter behavioral attribute is important because many harmful species have this swimming ability.

The scientific team is beginning to understand how these non-anthropogenic boundary conditions relate to the potential for phytoplankton growth. The modeling team and stakeholders can create a family of scenarios that would adapt the non-anthropogenic inputs to create a higher or lower potential for phytoplankton growth. We also can estimate how frequently some of these non-anthropogenic inputs may reach critical conditions (i.e., the return frequency for that event) that may affect the growth potential for primary producers within the Bay (for example, how often can a high runoff event of a certain magnitude change the conditions for primary production). Using the probabilistic return frequency of some of the inputs, it is possible to assess the growth potential for phytoplankton using the model. In this way we hope to investigate whether the change in the non-anthropogenic factor would produce “moderate growth potential” or a “high growth potential”. By imposing changes to multiple non-anthropogenic inputs and simulating the model over a longer time horizon it is possible to determine the return frequency of a “moderate” or a “high growth potential” condition.

The other important inputs for the water quality simulations are nutrient loads from wastewater facilities and other sources. Once we have created sets of these non-anthropogenic factors representing different phytoplankton growth potential, we intend to use these condition sets to investigate the impact of wastewater nutrient load reductions on three endpoints: chlorophyll-a, dissolved oxygen and the risk of a HAB event. We can investigate the impact of various magnitudes of load reduction for all facilities or perhaps a group of facilities in the vicinity of

phytoplankton growth “hot spots” identified through modeling or monitoringThe modeling team would investigate several plausible nutrient load reduction scenarios for each of the non-anthropogenic input scenarios. We are also hoping to use the model to investigate the impact of time-varying effluent loads vs. constant loads since averaging period is a component of the effluent limitation calculations that will need to be made by the Water Board.In addition to informing management decisions about long-term load reductions at wastewater facilities, another management question of interest is whether interventions are possible just before or during a bloom. The model development team has been making model updates based on observations to simulate the HAB bloom that was observed in July and August 2022. There is still uncertainty, however, about bloom initiation and the factors that ended the bloom. Accurately simulating chlorophyll and DO observations from the 2022 summer bloom is an important line of evidence to allow us to understand what happened. We hope to gain insights on bloom dynamics through careful study of this event but must exercise caution about extending lessons from this single event to a range of possible HAB events. Despite these caveats, we would like to use this “event-based” model to explore whether or not drastic and temporary management interventions (e.g., introduction of sediment to impact light availability, spot algaecide treatment, retaining wastewater effluent) might have an effect on bloom dynamics and thus could be used as emergency management tools during or before a bloom.

**Expected model outputs**

The model simulates phytoplankton growth (expressed as chl-a) and dissolved oxygen in grid cells all throughout the Bay at pre-specified snapshots in time (typically hourly to daily) over the course of the simulation (generally several months to several years). From this output, we can assess in great detail the spatial extent, magnitude, and duration of high chl-a and low DO conditions within the Bay. Since the model will be run with several levels of load reductions combined with different sets of non-anthropogenic inputs, we expect to have a family of “dose-response” curves for each combination of non-anthropogenic inputs. The response will be some (statistical) description of the spatial extent, magnitude, duration, and frequency of the changes in chl-a and DO, and the dose will be the nutrient load. The dose-response information will likely show that there are differences in chl-a and DO outcomes based on how conducive the physical conditions are for phytoplankton growth and for different scales of load reductions.

**How do we relate model output to water quality objectives and beneficial uses?**

This wealth of simulated data creates an interpretation challenge because we need to find a way to relate spatial extent, magnitude, duration, and frequency of low DO and high chl-a to beneficial use[1] impairment or support. In other words, what is the combination of these four measures that signifies non-attainment of water quality objectives? The model will likely demonstrate high chl-a and low DO, when they occur, are generally localized and temporary. Stakeholders and managers will need to decide how to interpret these rich model outputs (and their uncertainty) in the framework of water quality objective attainment.

The nutrients discharged to the Bay from wastewater and other sources do not typically directly harm beneficial uses. We are not planning on trying to demonstrate non-attainment of nutrient objectives because we do not have numeric water quality objectives for nutrients (except for unionized ammonia). The harm to beneficial uses from nutrient inputs is mediated through the growth of phytoplankton and the consequences of that growth. There are two primary channels

through which phytoplankton growth could lead to non-attainment of objectives and threaten beneficial uses in San Francisco Bay: depression of DO and production of HAB toxins.

DO is relatively straightforward because the model predicts DO directly, and there is a numeric objective in the Basin Plan (Water Quality Control Plan for San Francisco Bay). The model will tell us, for a given non-anthropogenic input change scenario, the spatial extent and duration of low DO (below the objective) for different levels of nutrient load reductions. Managers will have to make choices about which scenario (of non-anthropogenic inputs) to rely on and what magnitude, duration, extent, and frequency of DO non-attainment they are prepared to accept and still claim that the DO objective is achieved enough of the time to protect beneficial uses. This is a challenging decision, but managers can work through this problem with stakeholders and the science team.

The other channel through which phytoplankton growth could lead to non-attainment of objectives and threaten beneficial uses is through HAB impacts. HAB toxins could harm aquatic life, and this would imply non-attainment of the Basin Plan's biostimulatory substances narrative objective (see footnote). In general, higher phytoplankton concentrations are associated with higher risk of HABs. In reality, sometimes a bloom involves a non-HAB species like diatoms, and sometimes the bloom involves HABs. Diatom-dominated blooms could cause low DO, but they would not produce HAB toxins. So, it is possible to have high chl-a and not have HABs, but impactful or consequential HABs concentrations (that will harm beneficial uses) will generally occur only at high chl-a concentrations.

Since the model cannot directly predict if a HAB will occur, we must figure out how to relate the simulated chl-a concentrations with HABs, and this is challenging. We have developed a statistical relationship between chl-a and HABs (Sutula et al. 2017), but the relationship is uncertain because of limitations in the original data used to develop them. We hope to improve this relationship so that we can identify more precisely the chl-a level that is associated with an increased risk of HABs concentrations sufficient to impair beneficial uses.

**What specific decisions will the modeling inform?**

The Water Board will eventually need to calculate nutrient effluent limitations for wastewater discharges. The calculations will be informed by the results of the modeling investigation, which will illuminate the scale of load reductions required to protect beneficial uses. The modeling can probably provide information on DO impacts that the Water Board can use to choose the load reductions associated with an acceptable level of impact. The Water Board also intends to make use of the modeling results for chl-a to assess achievement of the narrative biostimulatory objective. Using the model to define a chl-a state that constitutes non-achievement of this narrative objective may be less certain than the DO analysis, however. Managers will have to work with stakeholders and the science team to contend with remaining uncertainties and decide how to use the modeling results for both DO and chl-a as it relates to HAB risk.

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[1] Beneficial uses are the resources, services, and qualities of aquatic systems that are the ultimate goals of protecting and achieving high water quality. The beneficial uses relevant for our work involve protecting aquatic life. There are a variety of numeric and narrative water

quality objectives established that relate to beneficial use protection. For example, the numeric DO objective to protect aquatic life in the Bay is 5.0 mg/L. There is a narrative objective (not numeric) for biostimulatory substances as well.

> *Waters shall not contain biostimulatory substances in concentrations that promote aquatic growths to the extent that such growths cause nuisance or adversely affect beneficial uses. Changes in chlorophyll a and associated phytoplankton communities follow complex dynamics that are sometimes associated with a discharge of biostimulatory substances. Irregular and extreme levels of chlorophyll a or phytoplankton blooms may indicate exceedance of this objective and require investigation.*

**Stakeholder Questions to Address through Model applications**

Besides supporting permitting decisions as described above, POTW stakeholders would like to gain insight on how potential management actions will impact modeled water quality (i.e. ambient nutrient concentrations, chlorophyll, and DO). Having this tool to understand the system will help justify rate increases, and support other fundraising for nutrient load reductions.

- What is the sensitivity of the model to reduced nutrient loads from POTWs?
    - Will modeled ambient nutrient concentrations respond quickly to a short-term reduction in loads, i.e. if agencies held their discharge for a number of days?
    - How long would it take for the system's modeled water quality to reflect long-term, durable, nutrient reductions?
    - What is the minimum load reduction that would lead to observable changes in modeled water quality?
    - What are the changes in modeled water quality at different levels of nutrient reductions? We'd like to look at different scenarios (i.e. 25%, 50%, 75% reductions)
    - Are changes in modeled water quality linear with nutrient reductions? Do we get increased or decreased incremental returns with incremental nutrient reductions?
- What is the sensitivity of the model to a range of climatic and meteorological conditions?
- Can the model inform location-based nutrient loading changes?
    - Are changes to water quality observable if the total loads remain the same, but the geographical distribution changes (i.e. near shore versus deep water discharges)
    - Do nutrient load reductions from some agencies have more of an impact on modeled water quality than load reductions at other agencies?

We would also like to hear from the Modeling advisory group about ways in which the model may be useful in gaining insight as to the risk, or return frequency, in future HAB events.

**San Francisco Bay Nutrient Management Strategy (NMS)**
**Modeling Advisory Group (MAG) Meeting**
**February 15 – 16, 2023**

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**Meeting Location:** San Francisco Estuary Institute, 4911 Central Ave, Richmond, CA 94804

**Meeting Goals:**

1. Discuss the context and key information needs that should be generated by the review that is relevant for 2023 management decisions;
2. Provide feedback on status of model validation and provide specific recommendations on how to improve model confidence; and
3. Discuss the readiness of the model to inform management actions and appropriate ways to use the model to inform those decisions.

**Charge Question #1: Comment on the status of model validation in the context of relevant science and management applications and provide specific recommendations for how to improve confidence in the model (e.g. data gaps and/or model refinement)**

**Charge Question #2: Comment on the readiness of model and status of science to support near term management decisions, including actions to reduce the risk of HABs**

**Meeting Materials:**

- Prioritized reading can be found here
- Optional reading can be found here

## AGENDA

**February 15, 2023 (pacific time)**

**8 am** **Light breakfast with managers, welcome, introductions and goals and overview of charge questions for the meeting** (Martha Sutula, SCCWRP, MAG Chair);

- Recap of on-going and evolving priorities/goals (SFEI)
  - High level update on long-term modeling applications (5-yr modeling plan)
  - High level update on recent HAB activities (unplanned)
- Charge questions (SCCWRP)

**8:30 am** **Discussion of management's needs on modeling and MAG feedback**

- Regulator perspective: pending decisions and science/modeling needs
  - San Francisco Water Board (10 mins)
- POTW perspective: science/modeling needs
  - Bay Area Water Quality Agency (10 mins)
- Facilitated Discussion (all) (30 mins)

**Intended outcome:** MAG understands the context and the key information needs that should be generated from the review.

**9:30 am** **Break**

**10:00 am** **Status of model validation**

Charge Question #1: Comment on the status of model validation metrics in the context of relevant science and management applications

- SFEI: Summary of modeling performance criteria, validation results, and sensitivity analysis
- Facilitated discussion

**Intended outcome:** MAG has an opportunity to address remaining questions about status of validation and prepare the MAG for discussion the next day to provide direction on focal areas for model improvements and methods for applications

**12:30 pm** **Lunch**

**1:30 pm** **Use of model to investigate causal drivers of recent HAB event and to inform near-term management decisions**

Charge Question #2: Comment on the readiness of model and status of science to support near term management decisions, including actions to reduce the risk of HABs

- SFEI presentation on model application
    - High-level summary of HAB hypotheses and observations (recap of last meeting)
    - Summary of HAB model applications to date
    - Anticipated data in the near-term to support interpretations
- Facilitated discussion

**2:45 pm** **Break**

**3:15 pm** **HAB Discussion continued**

**Intended outcome:** MAG has sufficient opportunity to understand and comment on model's ability to simulate HAB-like events, and prepare MAG for answering questions on the readiness of HAB model application/modeling approach for near-term (2023) management questions

**4:45 pm** **Wrap up and preview of Day 2 agenda**

**5 pm** **Adjourn**

**February 16, 2023**

**8:00 am** **Light breakfast, summary of previous day and goals for Day 2 (Sutula, SCCWRP)**

**9:30 am** **MAG closed session and discussion of charge questions**

- Discussion of charge questions
- Drafting of report/oral presentation

**12 noon** **Working lunch (short break, food delivered)**

**2 pm** **MAG-SFEI technical discussion of feedback**

- MAG report out on charge questions and exchange with SFEI/managers
- In-depth discussion of two charge questions

**Output:** MAG provides initial (oral) feedback on validation, sensitivity analyses, additional info needed to evaluate model performance, and applications to inform management decisions

**3:45 pm** **MAG report out on charge questions**

**4:50 pm** **Wrap up and next steps**

**5:00 pm** **Adjourn**

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| | | NMS Advance on Future Funding | $0 | ($400,000) | ($400,000) | ($400,000) | | | | |
| | | NMS Voluntary Contributions | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| | | Additional Work Under Permit | $26,602 | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |
| | | Nature Based Solutions Study | $41,091 | $248,811 | $140,000 | $100,000 | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| | | Regional Recycling Report | $43,198 | $63,525 | $63,525 | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| | | 3rd WSP Special Studies | | | | | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 | $0 |
| | | Member Voluntary Contributions | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| | | Nutrient Workshops | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| | | NMS Reviewer | $12,750 | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 |
| | | General Tech Support | $0 | $100,000 | $50 | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |
| | | CEC Investigations | $101,014 | $140,000 | $80,000 | $60,000 | $40,000 | $40,000 | $40,000 | $40,000 |
| | | Risk Reduction | $12,500 | $12,500 | $12,500 | $12,500 | $12,500 | $12,500 | $12,500 | $12,500 |
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| **RESERVES** | Operating Target | $200,000 | | | | | | | | |
| | Legal Target | $300,000 | | | | | | | | |
| | CBC Target | $1,000,000 | | | | | | | | |
| | **Target Reserves** | **$1,500,000** | | | | | | | | |
| | Total Reserves at End of FY22 | | **$3,001,806** | | $2,702,833 | $2,383,777 | $2,169,509 | $1,911,713 | $1,691,846 | $1,528,023 |
| | **Amt. Above CBC Target End of FY 21 (projected)** | | **$1,501,806** | | **$1,202,833** | **$883,777** | **$669,509** | **$411,713** | **$191,846** | **$28,023** |

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| | | NMS Advance on Future Funding | $0 | ($400,000) | ($400,000) | ($400,000) | | | | |
| | | NMS Voluntary Contributions | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| | | Additional Work Under Permit | $26,602 | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |
| | | Nature Based Solutions Study | $41,091 | $248,811 | $140,000 | $100,000 | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| | | Regional Recycling Report | $43,198 | $63,525 | $63,525 | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| | | 3rd WSP Special Studies | | | | | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 | $0 |
| | | Member Voluntary Contributions | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| | | Nutrient Workshops | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| | | NMS Reviewer | $12,750 | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 |
| | | General Tech Support | $0 | $100,000 | $50 | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |
| | | CEC Investigations | $101,014 | $140,000 | $80,000 | $60,000 | $40,000 | $40,000 | $40,000 | $40,000 |
| | | Risk Reduction | $12,500 | $12,500 | $12,500 | $12,500 | $12,500 | $12,500 | $12,500 | $12,500 |
| | Total Technical Support | | $2,437,155 | $2,514,836 | $2,246,075 | $2,222,500 | $2,602,500 | $2,602,500 | $2,302,500 | $2,202,500 |
| **TOTAL EXPENSES** | | | **$3,106,125** | **$3,431,229** | **$3,162,468** | **$3,238,654** | **$3,593,558** | **$3,653,092** | **$3,331,489** | **$3,292,097** |
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| **NET INCOME BEFORE TRANSFERS** | | | **$24,545** | **($578,734)** | **($298,973)** | **($319,056)** | **($614,268)** | **($557,796)** | **($119,868)** | **($63,823)** |
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| **TRANSFERS TO(+)/FROM(-) RESERVES** | | | **$24,545** | **($578,734)** | **($298,973)** | **($319,056)** | **($614,268)** | **($557,796)** | **($119,868)** | **($63,823)** |
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| **RESERVES** | Operating Target | $200,000 | | | | | | | | |
| | Legal Target | $300,000 | | | | | | | | |
| | CBC Target | $1,000,000 | | | | | | | | |
| | **Target Reserves** | **$1,500,000** | | | | | | | | |
| | Total Reserves at End of FY22 | | **$3,001,806** | | $2,702,833 | $2,383,777 | $1,769,509 | $1,211,713 | $1,091,846 | $1,028,023 |
| | **Amt. Above CBC Target End of FY 21 (projected)** | | **$1,501,806** | | **$1,202,833** | **$883,777** | **$269,509** | **($288,287)** | **($408,154)** | **($471,977)** |

**BACWA EXPENDITURES PER FISCAL YEAR ON NUTRIENT SCIENCE**

| Descriptiion | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | Total |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1st SFEI Contract w/BACWA | $325,000 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2nd SFEI Contract w/ BACWA | $350,000 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1st WS Permit Science Funding | | | $880,000 | $880,000 | $880,000 | $880,000 | $880,000 | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | $2,600,000 | $2,600,000 | $2,200,000 | $1,800,000 | |
| Assessment Framework critique | | | | | $43,000 | | | | | | | |
| Program Coordination pilot | | | | | $100,000 | | | | | | | |
| NMS Reviewer | | | | | | | | | $13,350 | $12,750 | | |
| Sunnyvale voluntary expenditures | | | | | $60,000 | | | | | | | |
| Palo Alto voluntary expenditures | | | | | $30,000 | $30,000 | | | | | | |
| CCCSD voluntary expenditures | | | | | $195,000 | | | | | | | |
| BACWA voluntray science funding | | | | | | $200,000 | $200,000 | | | | | |
| **Totals** | $675,000 | $0 | $880,000 | $880,000 | $1,308,000 | $1,110,000 | $1,080,000 | $2,600,000 | $2,613,350 | $2,212,750 | $1,800,000 | **$15,159,100** |
| **Grand Total** | | | | | | | | | | | | |

Note: costs reflect only direct expenditures attributed only to nutrients from BACWA Operating or CBC funds and do not include BACWA staff costs, or other miscellaneous expenses (i.e. meetings, communications, legal, etc.); nor do the expenditues include any funds spent by BACWA members agency (i.e. permit costs such as approximately $1M by CCCSD, or other captial/operating expenditures)

**Planning Subcommittee (PSC) Meeting No. 74**
**February 1, 2023**
**9:30 am – 12 pm**
**Teleconference**
**Chair: Tom Mumley**
**Meeting Notes**

Attendees: Eric Dunlavey, Dave Senn, Kevin Lunde, Ian Wren, Richard Looker, Lorien Fono, Amit Mutsuddy, Tom Mumley.

1. *Previous Action items from the planning subcommittee:*

- Water Board to synthesize Lake Merritt Monitoring data – no updates
- BACWA to deliver short term scenarios to the NMS for testing by the end of March – on track.
- Restart steering committee action item table – Ian will do this before the March Steering Committee meeting.

2. *Science Program Update*

Dave gave a presentation at the CWEA P3S conference.

The group just submitted a proposal to NOAA MERHAB for $3M for harmful algae monitoring which would be spent over 5 years. The solicitation is heavily geared to the work we're doing, and we can show that we've made a major investment ($1.9M) in HAB research. If funded, one of the goals would be to develop a remote sensing program where chlorophyll is calibrated to observed data gathered through cruises. Taxonomy would be carried out by optimizing broadscan methods, with qPCR for high-priority harmful algal species. The imaging flow cytobot is not included in the proposal due to the cost for its startup and maintenance. An outcome would be a HAB dashboard with real-time and remote sensing data.

3. *Priority Updates*

*Report-outs*

Amit gave an update on work EBMUD is doing with the Lake Merritt institute and Baykeeper on top-down control of *heterosigma akashiwo* or other harmful algal species. They are also working to do split-stream treatment this summer to get 20-30% decrease in nutrient removal.

Tom is prosecuting an enforcement case where the party is open to supporting an SEP for ~$250K. These funds could be used to address the shortfall in this year's budget in response to the bloom.

Baykeeper has been pushing to have an item presented to the Water Board on the HAB bloom and management actions – both on the Bay as well as nutrient reduction. This will be later this spring.

The RMP has agreed in principal that they should be prepared to provide monitoring on an emergency basis for a broad range of events.

*FY 24 Schedule*

The March 10 Steering Committee meeting will be used as a technical update and include nutrient management discussions. The May meeting will include FY24 approvals. In the future we will plan for the Fall, Winter, and Spring.

The next PSC meeting will be rescheduled to Feb 22.

4. *Discussion/Planning Topics*

Martha joined the meeting. Richard Looker gave an overview of the document that he developed in collaboration with BACWA to inform permitting discussions that impact modeling . The two Basin Plan objectives that are applicable are DO and the biostimulatory objective. The DO is much easier to implement with support from the model. We need to ask the MAG how to use the model to support management needs. BACWA and the Water Board agreed that that the charge questions are sufficient for the meeting. They are fairly generic, but this will give MAG members latitude for adding value to the discussion. They could be updated to reflect the model's ability to hindcast vs. forecast. Martha suggested adding a question about quantifying uncertainty.

In the opening session, BACWA and the Water Board will present their management needs and give the opportunity to answer questions from the MAG. We need specific management needs tied into timeframe.

5. Action items :

- Water Board to synthesize Lake Merritt Monitoring data (approx. 1 months)
- BACWA to deliver short term scenarios to the NMS for testing by the end of March
- Restart steering committee action item table
- Agendize planning for HAB response plan in terms of enhanced monitoring, communications protocol, and mitigation
- Plan Water Board item on the HAB and management actions

Recycled Water Committee Meeting on: 01/17/23
Executive Board Meeting Date: 02/17/23
Committee Chairs: Stefanie Olson, Reena Thomas

Committee Request for Board Action: None

34 attendees (all participating remotely) representing 16 member agencies

## Regional Recycled Water Study Update

Mike Falk (HDR) provided slides summarizing the progress of the Recycled Water Evaluation that is being conducted in compliance with the 2nd Nutrient Watershed Permit. Production of draft individual agency reports is wrapping up in January, and HDR plans to present Baywide tables at the committee's March meeting. Individual plant reports will require sign-off by each agency. The draft overall report will be circulated for review in mid-April. Separately, BACWA's Group Annual Report will include calculations of diverted nutrients based on recycled water volumes reported for 2020 and 2021.

## Volumetric Annual Reporting

The State Water Board's volumetric annual reporting tool for 2022 is available in Geotracker (see Help Guide). The 2022 reporting year module includes an optional question regarding potential future increases in recycled water production. Responses will be used to inform State Water Board-led actions under the CA Water Supply Strategy, which calls for 0.8 million acre-feet of recycled water by 2030 and 1.5 million acre-feet by 2040 (approximately double current production).

## Funding Updates

Sachi Itagaki (Kennedy Jenks) provided an update on state and federal funding opportunities:

- USBR's WaterSMART Title XVI water recycling and desalination planning applications are due February 28th.
- Applications for USBR's WaterSmART Environmental Water Resource Projects are due March 28th
- Recycled Water Facilities Planning Grants continue to be available, for up $500,000 at a 50% match.
- No recycled water projects will be included in the Bay Area IRWM funding application to be submitted in February.
- The deadline for urban community drought relief grants from DWR is January 31st. Recycled water projects that provide immediate relief to potable water supplies are eligible.

## City of Hayward Recycled Water Project

The City of Hayward's Suzan England (Utilities Engineering Manager) and Cheryl Muñoz (Water Resources Manager) provided an introduction to the City's recently completed Phase 1 Recycled Water Project. Slides are available here. The project began with a feasibility study in 2007, then Facility Plans in 2009 and 2013. Design and construction were completed from 2017 to 2020, and project startup was completed in 2022. The system includes 8.5 miles of purple pipeline and provides about 0.3 MGD (average demand) to 31 landscape irrigation customers, including parks, schools, and private businesses. Most of the customer retrofits were completed in 2021. The initial plan was to use an existing tertiary treatment system located adjacent to the plant at Russell City Energy Center, but these plans fell through. As a result, the project required construction of a 0.5-MGD package membrane treatment facility that was delivered in a shipping container, as well as a 1-MG storage tank. The tank is used to meet peak demand and is also needed to provide sufficient chlorine contact time. The City is now preparing a Recycled Water Master Plan to identify infrastructure expansion needs for Phase 2 and beyond.

## Site Supervisor Training Update

A subcommittee is continuing to develop a site supervisor training video. The committee has provided video clips and a script to the video editor for final editing.

## Legislation and Regulatory Update

Two sets of recycled water regulations are expected in 2023:

- Direct Potable Reuse regulations are required to be adopted by December 31, 2023. To meet that schedule, draft regulations for public comment will likely be released soon. CASA and WateReuse previously provided comments on portions of the draft regulations and expert panel findings.
- Onsite Non-potable Reuse are also under development by the Division of Drinking Water. Melissa Gunter (Regional Water Board) noted that they have provided comments, but there is not a schedule for release of draft regulations.

The legislative session for 2023 is just beginning, and there are no updates yet.

## Next Meeting – Tuesday, March 21, 2023, 10:30 am – Hybrid format, Zoom and In-Person at EBMUD

Meeting Date: February 2, 2023
Executive Board Meeting Date: February 17, 2023
BAPPG Chairs: Robert Wilson, Autumn Cleave

Committee Request for Board Action: Consideration of budget requests for FY24.

30 attendees (all participating remotely) representing 20 member agencies and the Regional Water Board.

*Regional Water Board Announcements*

Alessandra Moyer (RWQCB) reminded the group that Pollution Prevention reports are due February 28th for most agencies. Tips from her December 2022 presentation are available here.

*Updates on Committee Activity and Announcements*

- Pesticides Subcommittee: California Department of Pesticide Registration and partner agencies have released a Sustainable Pest Management Roadmap for the state. The roadmap includes recommendations for urban pesticide use, including data collection and outreach topics. The pesticides subcommittee will likely submit comments on implementation (the deadline is March 13th).
- Budget. Joe shared that BAPPG has submitted a budget request to BACWA for FY24 with budget increases to account for inflation and to increase support for the National Stewardship Action Council.
- Outreach / Marketing: SGA's final report from the fall FOG campaign is posted here.
- BACWA Announcements: BACWA plans to issue an RFQ for general public outreach related to wastewater collection and treatment. Members shared updates to the potential vendor list for the RFQ.
- CWEA. The CWEA Annual Conference will be held in San Diego from April 18-21.
- Website. Zoe Lake (EBMUD) asked members to fill out a survey on use of the Baywise website.

*Social Media Presentation and Discussion*

The group continued its discussion from December on how to amplify our effective use of social media for pollution prevention outreach.

- Sandy Becerra from the City of San Jose shared some of the City's social media practices, including some short, informal pollution prevention videos that they posted to social media. The City makes use of Canva to edit and manage their social media posts. A free version of Canva is available for non-profits. A conference is coming up regarding government use of social media (May 2-4 in Reno, NV).
- The group agreed that it would be useful to more widely share content (videos, graphics, text) to be re-posted on individual agency social media feeds.

*Epidemiological Studies in Wastewater*

Robert Wilson (City of Santa Rosa) shared a presentation about the City of Santa Rosa's Laguna Environmental Lab participation in several different wastewater epidemiological studies since the beginning of the pandemic in 2020. There are differences among studies in the types of samples that are collected (primary solids or raw wastewater) and therefore the units reported (RNA copies per mL or copies per gram) are not directly comparable. The City has participated in Biobot, LuminUltra, and WastewaterSCAN. WastewaterSCAN is a national effort that is also affiliated with the California Department of Publish Health; this program reimburses the City for some of their labor costs associated with sample collection, because the data are useful for public health purposes. Sampling occurs 1-3 times per week. The presentation slides are also available here and a recording of Robert sharing this presentation with the North Coast Regional Water Board is available here.

*FOG Disposal*

The group discussed public messaging related to FOG disposal, which can vary among jurisdictions. "Scrape it, can it, trash it" is one of the standard messages. Most composters do not want FOG in the compost bins, although a small amount that can be absorbed by a paper towel is acceptable. In these areas, large amounts of FOG should be put in a container and taken to Household Hazardous Waste. Some jurisdictions will accept solid FOG in their compost bins; for example, Napa Sanitation District hands out compostable takeout containers for residents to use for their "collect it, cool it, compost it" campaign.

Next BAPPG General Meeting: April 5th, 2023, 10am – 12pm, Zoom


February 13, 2023

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**Subject:** Appendix to the ESA Workplan Update: Nontarget Species Mitigation for Registration Review and Other FIFRA Actions (Docket No. EPA-HQ-OPP-2022-0908)

Dear Ms. Biscoe:

On behalf of the Bay Area Clean Water Agencies (BACWA), we thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Endangered Species Assessment (ESA) process. BACWA's members include 55 publicly-owned wastewater treatment works (POTWs) and collection system agencies serving 7.1 million San Francisco Bay Area residents. We take our responsibilities for safeguarding receiving waters seriously.

While we understand that this docket is meant for responding only to the Appendix of the Workplan Update, virtually no actions in that appendix pertain to the impact of indoor uses of pesticides. Further, the body of the Workplan Update suggests that the EPA will continue to ignore indoor uses moving forward (emphasis added):

> *"EPA is exploring a strategy to develop broad mitigation measures to minimize exposure to listed species from outdoor pesticide residential uses. EPA welcomes collaboration from various pesticide user groups—particularly non-agricultural groups whose pesticide uses might not be as familiar to EPA—that may be interested in developing strategies for their uses." [WP Update p. 18]*

We implore EPA to stop omitting indoor pesticide uses from biological evaluation. There is overwhelming scientific evidence that pesticides used indoors pass through POTWs and appear in municipal wastewater effluent at levels that exceed EPA Office of Pesticide Program benchmarks and may harm aquatic ecosystems at many locations, including those where little effluent dilution is available.

We have attached our 2019 comment letter on the Draft Revised Method for National Level Endangered Species Risk Assessment Process for Biological Evaluations of Pesticides (Docket ID No. EPA–HQ–OPP–2019–0185), where we provide greater detail. We have also enclosed scientific references on indoor pesticides, urban pesticides, and pesticide prevalence in municipal wastewater for your use (see list of enclosures below).

Thank you for your consideration of our comments. If you have any questions, please contact BACWA's Project Managers:

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Enclosures:

1. BACWA Comment Letter to EPA on the Draft Revised Method for National Level Endangered Species Risk Assessment Process for Biological Evaluations of Pesticides (Docket ID No. EPA–HQ–OPP–2019–0185), August 15, 2019.
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The full version of this comment letter with the attachments is available at the path below.

https://bacwa.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/02/BACWA-ESA-Workplan-Comment-Ltr-with-Attach-2023-02-13.pdf

Collection Systems Committee
Report to BACWA Board

Collection Systems Committee Meeting: 02/09/23
Executive Board Meeting Date: 02/20/23
Committee Chairs: Andrew Damron (NapaSan) and Tyree Jackson (Oakland)

**Committee Request for Board Action:** **None**

**35 attendees from 25 member agencies**

**Round Table Discussion – Wet Weather Operations in December 2022 and January 2023**

Attendees discussed experiences during and after the extreme wet weather events that occurred in Dec. 2022 and Jan. 2023, which produced widespread surface flooding and sanitary sewer spills. The discussion included:

- Stormwater system failures and coastal flooding contributed to the complexity of sewer system operations during this period. Attendees reported out on stormwater pumps that failed, resulting in ponding water that subsequently entered sanitary sewers, as well as king tides that entered into sanitary sewers. These situations are considered spills that have to be reported.
- Stormwater system operators have been known to pop manholes to drain ponded areas, which contributes to spills elsewhere. Union Sanitary District provided an example of a reminder to local stormwater agencies not to do this (link to sample email).
- It is hazardous for emergency response crews to walk into flooded areas where there may be missing manhole covers – someone could fall down a manhole. Crews should be made aware of this danger and respond accordingly (do not exit vehicles, or walk with a probe / shovel). Some members also noted that they try to provide advance warning to residential areas that are prone to flooding.
- Attendees discussed practices for operator staffing during large wet weather events. One agency reported reserving hotel rooms for operators that have been placed on "storm standby." They also bring in extra support staff to take service calls, provide food, and support field crews. It may also be helpful to ask operators to call in their location when an emergency has been declared, since travel could become difficult and mutual aid responses may be required.

**SSS-WDR Update**

The State Water Board reissued the SSS-WDR in December 2022, and the effective date is June 5, 2023. The Clean Water Summit Partners hosted a webinar on January 11th that covered key differences between the existing 2006 SSS-WDR and the reissued order (materials are here). The presentation by the State Water Board's Walter Mobley contains essential information such as these upcoming compliance due dates:

- In CIWQS, certify continuation of existing regulatory coverage between April 5th and June 4th
- Upload existing Sewer System Management Plan to CIWQS by June 5, 2023
- **Update Spill Emergency Response Plans (no submittal required) by June 5, 2023**
- Designate an LRO that meets the updated managerial requirements (if applicable) by June 5, 2023

Although the State Water Board intends to release information about CIWQS revisions before the June 5th effective date, it may not be available in time to inform detailed updates to Spill Emergency Response Plans. Consultants present at the meeting recommended updating your agency's Spill Emergency Response Plan, then incorporating it into your SSMP *before* uploading the SSMP into CIWQS. There is no requirement that the Spill Emergency Response Plan be approved by your governing board; just note the revision in your change log.

Upcoming training opportunities for the SSS-WDR include:

- A Clean Water Summit Partners webinar tentatively scheduled for March 22
- CSRMA is offering free webinars for members on Feb. 22, March 9, and March 14. Register here.
- CWEA plans to produce short video modules in March and April, and will offer sessions at the CWEA Annual Conference April 18-21 in San Diego, including a pre-conference workshop on April 18th.

Attendees discussed the need for additional guidance materials, and supported the concept of BACWA developing materials. The guidance does not necessarily have to be approved by the Water Boards. The following would be useful:

- Guidance for conducting audits and updating SSMPs to conform to the reissued SSS-WDR
- Sharing example SSMPs small / medium / large agencies that are adequate and scalable
- Short guidance documents to help LROs understand their legal responsibilities
- Guidance on modernizing SSMPs with links or QR codes for significant supporting documents

**Announcements and Events**

- The Collection System Awards Luncheon will be on April 20th at the CWEA Annual Conference
- The CWEA SF Bay Section will offer a TCP exam preparation seminar in Antioch on March 8th
- The CWEA Santa Clara Valley Section will offer a TCP exam prep seminar in Foster City on Feb. 16th

**Next Collection System Committee Meeting:** Thursday, May 18, 2023, 10 AM on Zoom

# Executive Director's Report to the Board

## January 2023

**EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING AND SUPPORT**

- Worked with BACWA staff to plan and manage 1/20 Executive Board meeting
- Conducted the Executive Board meeting agenda review with the BACWA Chair
- Hosted 1/20 Executive Board meeting and distributed draft meeting notes
- Met with individual Board members to discuss regulatory issues
- Continued to track all action items to completion

**COMMITTEES:**

- Attended Recycled Water Committee meeting, 1/17
- Planned and hosted Managers Roundtable meeting, 1/18

**REGULATORY:**

- Met with R2 EO to discuss strategy, 1/12
- Attended Air Toxics testing planning meeting 1/11
- Discussed Air Toxics program governance with Clean Water SoCal and CASA EDs

**NUTRIENTS**:

Completed a variety of tasks and activities associated with BACWA's interests on nutrients and collaborating with the Water Board including:

- Discussed nutrient strategy with member staff
- Met individually with eleven agencies to understand nutrient reduction planning
- Participated and prepared summary for NMS planning subcommittee meetings, 1/4
- Distributed nutrient FAQ
- Developed strategy for individual agency meetings on nutrient reductions
- Attended NBS CMG meeting 1/13
- Attended Modeling Advisory Group advisory committee meeting, 1/17
- Met with R2 NPDES Staff to discuss permitting approaches 1/20
- Met with Science team and R2 staff to discuss guidance to Modeling advisory group
- Discussed nutrient issues and engagement with BACWA Board with NMS science manager and BACWA's NMS reviewer
- Reviewed Group Annual Report
- Submitted Science Plan Update to Water Board
- Discussed OAH issues with CASA staff, and participated in OAH subgroup meeting 1/31

**COMMUNICATIONS**

- Updated communications RFP
- Responded to journalist's requests for contact after New Year Eve storms

**FINANCE:**

- Reviewed the monthly BACWA financial reports
- Reviewed and approved invoices
- Worked with AED to kick off FY24 Budget planning process

**COLLABORATIONS:**

- Met with PFAS POTW/NGO collaborative group to discuss legislative concepts, 1/9
- Attended TRUW Equity Workshop planning meeting, 1/10 and 1/24
- Planned PFAS agenda items with subgroup of the California Water Quality Monitoring Council
- Attended CASA Collection Systems WG, 1/18
- Attended CASA RWG meeting, 1/19
- Attended CASA CWSRF meeting, 1/24
- Attended CASA Winter meeting in Palm Springs, 1/25-1/27

**ASC (AQUATIC SCIENCE CENTER)**

- Reviewed materials sent via email by ASC ED
- Discussed SFEI communication issues with ASC ED
- Attended Board meeting, 1/27

**BABC (BAY AREA BIOSOLIDS COALITION)**

- No update

**BACC (BAY AREA CHEMICAL CONSORTIUM)**

- Discussed administrative and policy issues with administrator
- Reviewed questions from prospective bidders

**BACWWE (BAY AREA COALITION FOR WATER/WASTEWATER EDUCATION)**

- No update

**ADMINISTRATION:**

- Planned for and conducted the monthly BACWA staff meeting to prepare for the Board Meeting and to coordinate and prioritize activities.
- Met with RPM to discuss progress on regulatory issues and update regulatory matrix
- Signed off on invoices, reviewed correspondence, prepared for upcoming Board meetings, responded to inquiries on BACWA efforts, oversaw and participated in updating of web page and provided general direction to BACWA staff.
- Worked with RPM in the preparation of the monthly BACWA Bulletin.
- Developed and responded to numerous emails and phone calls as part of the conduct of BACWA business on a day-to-day basis.

**MISCELLANEOUS MEETINGS/CALLS:**

- Worked with BACWA Chair and Committee Chairs on items that arose during the month
- Other miscellaneous calls and inquiries regarding BACWA activities
- Responded to Board members' requests for information

# Board Calendar

March 2023 – June 2023 Meetings

| DATE | AGENDA ITEMS |
|---|---|
| March 17, 2023<br>*Hybrid & In person at EBMUD Orinda* | **Approvals & Authorizations:**<br>•<br>**Policy / Strategic Discussion:**<br>•<br>**Operational:**<br>• Draft Annual Meeting Program<br>• 2nd Draft FY24 Budget |
| April 21, 2023<br>*Hybrid & In person at SFPUC Hetch Hetchy* | **Approvals & Authorizations:**<br>•<br>**Policy / Strategic Discussion:**<br>• SFEI / PFAS<br>• Recycled Water & NMS<br>**Operational:**<br>• Final Annual Meeting Program<br>• Final Approval FY24 Budget |
| May 5, 2023<br>*David Brower Center, Berkeley* | **Annual Meeting** |
| June 16, 2023<br>*TBD* | **Approvals & Authorizations:**<br>• FY24 Contract Approvals<br>**Policy / Strategic Discussion:**<br>•<br>**Operational:**<br>• |

# BACWA ACTION ITEMS

| Number | Subject | Task | Responsibiity | Deadline | Status |
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| | **Action Items from Jan 2023 BACWA Executive Board Meeting** | | **resp.** | **deadline** | **status** |
| 2023.1.37 | Communications steering committee debrief | BACWA Ed to bring item for approval at next board meeting | ED | 2/6/2023 | complete |
| 2023.1.38 | Debrief from January 17 Joint meeting with R2 | BACWA RPM to share WRF report with BACWA community when it is available. | RPM | | |
| 2023.1.39 | Annual Meeting Planning | BACWA ED to reserve the full facility and present a list of speakers at the next meeting. | ED \ AED | 2/6/2023 | complete |
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| | **Action Items Remaining from Previous BACWA Executive Board Meetings** | | | | |
| 2021.10.21 | BACWA Communications Policy | BACWA ED will bring a revised draft Communication Policy to the Executive Board for approval at a future meeting. | ED | | WIP |
| 2022.10.22 | BACWA Reserve Policy | BACWA ED will bring a revised draft Reserve Policy to the Executive Board for approval at a future meeting. | ED | | WIP |
| 2022.11.26 | SSS WDR - BACWA engagement with State Water Board | BACWA RPM to produce a high-level summary of differences between the current permit and new permit once adopted. | RPM | | WIP |
| 2022.3.42 | Plain-language review of nutrient science program | BACWA ED to work with SFEI to augment plain-language review to include graphics, simplified text, and a summary of what we have learned so far. | ED | | on going |

FY23: 33 of 36 Action Items are complete

FY22: 51 of 52 Action items are completed
FY21: 51 of 51 Action items completed
FY20: *70 of 70 Action Items completed*
FY19: *110 of 110 action Items completed*
FY18: *66 of 66 Action Items completed*
FY17: *90 of 90 Action Items completed*

# Regulatory Program Manager's Report to the Executive Board

**January 2023**

**BACWA BULLETIN**: Completed and circulated January Bulletin.

**MERCURY & PCBS:** Answered member questions about implementation of Hg & PCBs Watershed Permit; met with California Indian Environmental Alliance to discuss risk reduction strategy for next permit term.

**NUTRIENTS:** Attended Nutrient Management Strategy meeting and prepared notes; attended meetings to discuss the potential for nutrient load reductions at eleven individual member agencies; reviewed draft Group Annual Report and provided comments to consultant team.

**REGULATORY MATRIX:** Prepared draft and final versions of updated Regulatory Matrix.

**COMMITTEE SUPPORT:**

**AIR –** Attended CASA air toxics subgroup meeting to discuss fiscal impacts to BACWA members.
**BAPPG** – Participated in steering committee and pesticides committee meetings; reviewed draft BAPPG annual report and provided comments; assisted with budget planning for FY24.
**Collection System –** Prepared for February committee meeting; coordinated with Clean Water Summit Partners to plan for January webinar and other future training opportunities; spoke with news media about sanitary sewer overflows; assisted with budget planning for FY24.
**Laboratory** – Assisted with monthly TNI training session and budget planning for FY24.
**Permits –** Began preparing for February committee meeting; finalized annual NPDES permit compliance letter; responded to member questions about blending and blanket permit amendment for monitoring.
**Recycled Water** –Provided support for site supervisor training video; assisted with January committee meeting; prepared notes.
**Executive Board** – Prepared regulatory updates for January Executive Board meeting; reviewed meeting notes; attended joint meeting with Regional Water Board staff and prepared notes.

**ADMINISTRATION/STAFF MEETING –** Participated in Staff Meeting.

**BACWA MEETINGS ATTENDED**:
BAPPG Steering Committee (1/4)
Nutrient Strategy Team (1/6)
Nutrient Discussions with Individual Agencies (eleven meetings from 1/5 to 1/31)
BAPPG Pesticides Subcommittee (1/10)
Recycled Water Committee (1/17)
Lab Committee TNI Training (1/17, partial)
Executive Board with R2 Staff (1/17)
Executive Board (1/20)

**EXTERNAL EVENTS ATTENDED:**
CASA SSS-WDR Data Review Group (1/3)
CASA Air Toxics Subgroup (1/11)
CASA Air, Climate and Energy Workgroup (1/18)
CASA Collection Systems Workgroup (1/18)
CASA Regulatory Workgroup (1/19)
Webinar on national PFAS biosolids study (1/26, partial)


Regional Shoreline
Adaptation Plan
An implementing project of BAY ADAPT
Advisory Group
Kick-off Meeting
January 23, 2023

# Implementing **Bay Adapt**

BAY ADAPT
REGIONAL STRATEGY FOR A RISING BAY

**1**

Increasing **Community Capacity**

**2**

Regional **Shoreline Adaptation Plan**

**3**

Regulatory **Improve-ments**

**4**

**Backbone Agency** Strategy

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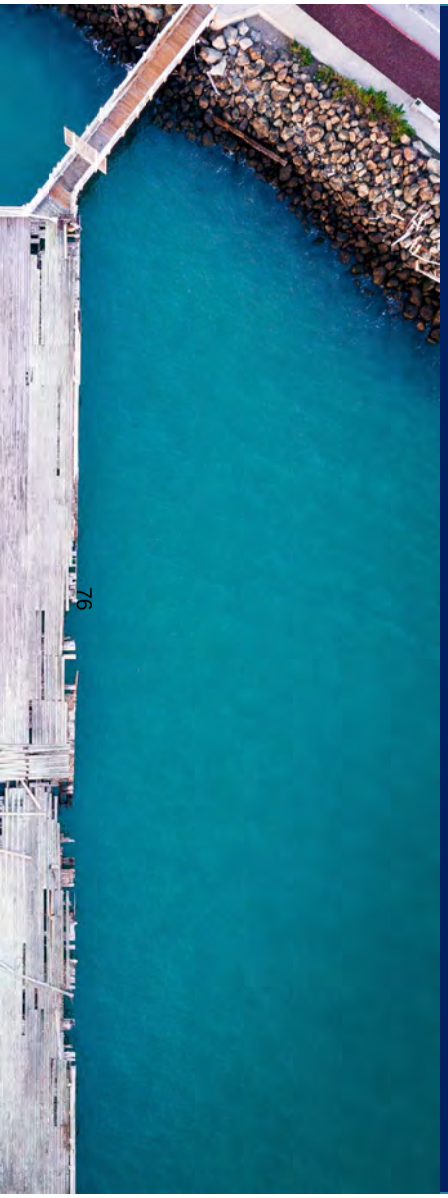

*Project Context*

# **R**egional **S**horeline **A**daptation **P**lan

**Project Overview | Expectations**

# Regional Shoreline **Adaptation Plan**

BAY ADAPT
REGIONAL STRATEGY FOR A RISING BAY

Regional **Shoreline Adaptation Plan**

- Develop Regional Sea Level Rise Adaptation Planning Guidelines by **May 2024**
- Guide creation of Sub-Regional Implementation Plans with Local Jurisdictions
- Expand Online Platform for Regional Shoreline Adaptation Plan and Project Map

# Regional Shoreline
# **Adaptation Plan Timeline**

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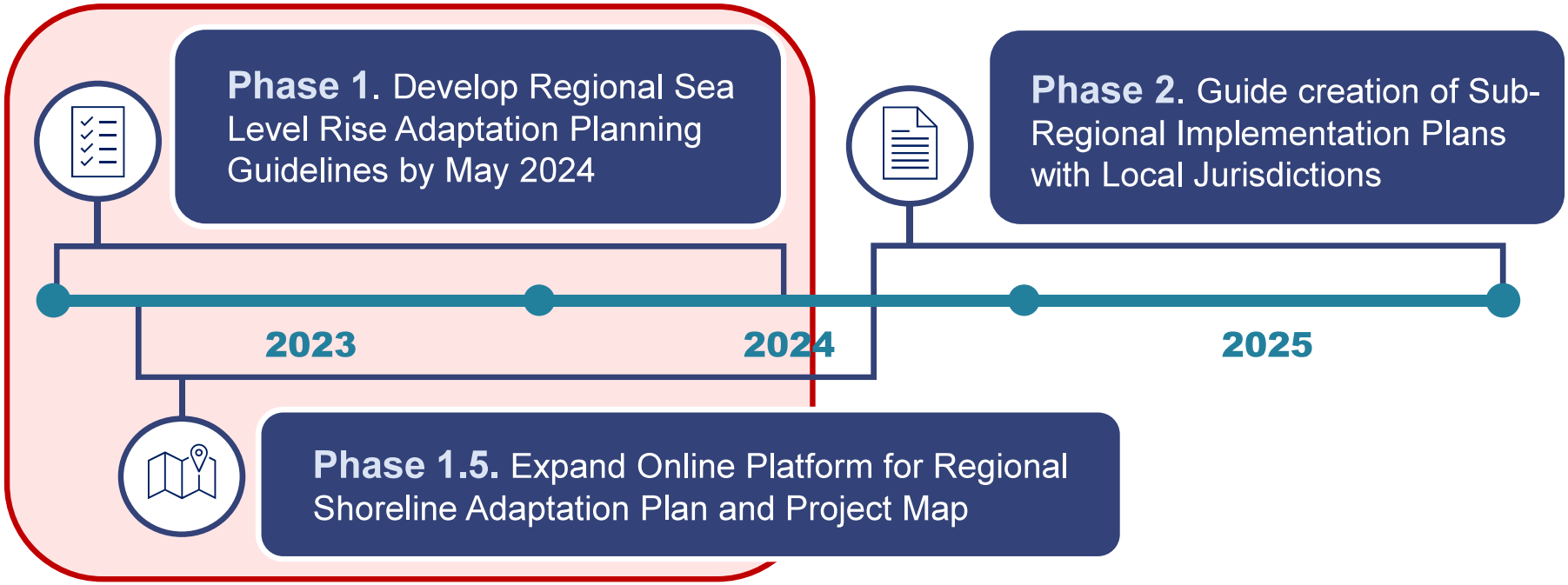

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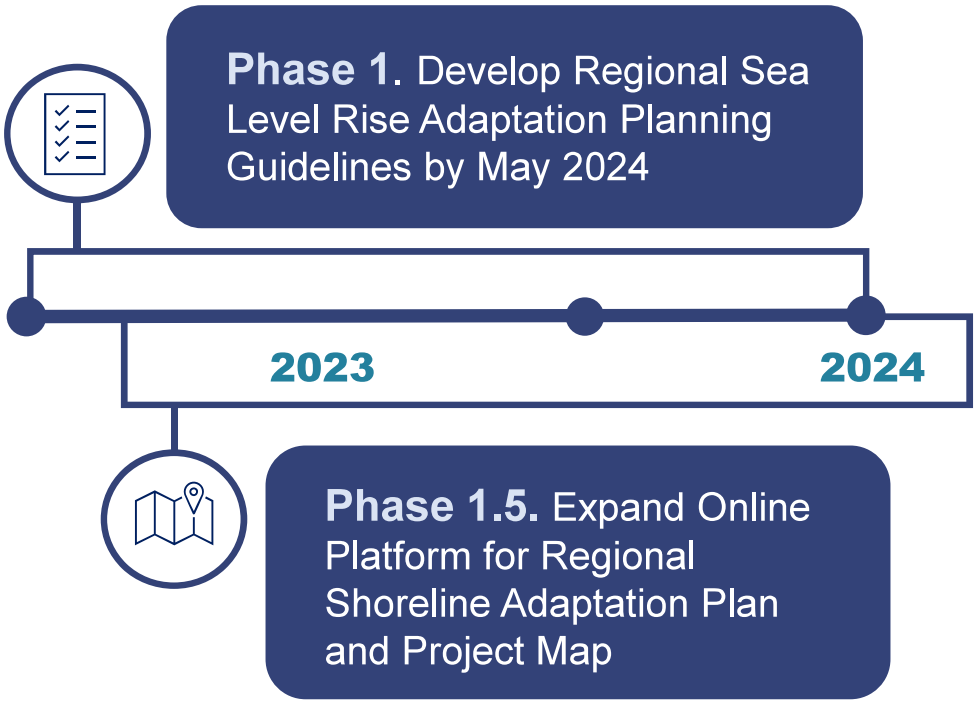


**Topic areas to be included:**

- Environmental Justice communities
- Contaminated Sites
- Habitat
- New and Redevelopment
- Transit
- Critical Infrastructure

**Other Considerations:**

- Planning for cross-jurisdictional impacts
- Evaluation of local and regional tradeoffs
- Standards for engagement and equity
- Priority planning and project areas (maps)
- Design standards
- How to apply guidelines

# Regional Shoreline **Adaptation Plan** expectations

BAY ADAPT
REGIONAL STRATEGY FOR A RISING BAY

## What the Vision, Goals, and Guidelines **Are**

- Focused on issues related to **shoreline flooding**
- Non-mandatory and currently **incentive-driven**
- Envisioned to go **beyond BCDC's jurisdiction** and may include actions necessary by other agencies to implement

## What the Vision, Goals, and Guidelines **Are NOT**

- They **do not** incorporate multiple climate hazards
- This is **not a** BCDC policy or regulations document
- The vision, goals, and guidelines developed **are not** restricted by BCDC's current authorities or jurisdictions

# What can the Regional Shoreline Adaptation Plan achieve?

- Adaptation that **coordinates** with neighboring jurisdictions
- **Priority** resources to frontline communities
- Long-term **health** of wetlands
- Strategy for **adaptation implementation** based on risk
- Common **standards and methods** for applying science
- **Funding pipeline** that reduces burdens on local jurisdictions
- Tracking and evaluation towards **collective vision of progress**