



## Executive Board Meeting

Friday, April 21, 2023

### ROLL CALL AND INTRODUCTIONS

**Executive Board Representatives:** Amy Chastain (San Francisco Public Utilities Commission); Eric Dunlavy (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
Alicia Chakrabarti	EBMUD
Andre Gharagozian	Carollo Engineers
Azalea Mitch	City of San Mateo
Blake Brown	CCCSD
Brett Fergusson	Hazen and Sawyer
Dave Richardson	Woodard & Curran
David Donovan	City of Hayward
Diane Griffin	DSRSD
Diana Lin	SFEI
Jennifer Dymont	BACWA
Lorien Fono	BACWA
Mary Cousins	BACWA
Mary Lou Esparza	CCCSD
Melanie Tan	Kennedy Jenks
Miguel Mendez	SFEI
Ramen Patel	BDP Enviro Tech
Talyon Sortor	FSSD
Tom Hall	EOA
Violetta Muselli	Civic Edge

Amit started the meeting at 9:05am

### Agenda Item

#### ROLL CALL, INTRODUCTIONS, AND TELECONFERENCE ETIQUETTE

**PUBLIC COMMENT** - Ramen Patel from BDP Enviro Tech provided information about his company’s biological wastewater treatment technology, which can remove ammonia and total nitrogen. No other public comment.

**CONSIDERATION TO TAKE AGENDA ITEMS OUT OF ORDER**

- None

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

- 1 March 17, 2023 BACWA Executive Board meeting minutes**
- 2 March 17, 2023 BACWA NST meeting minutes**
- 3 February 2023 Treasurer's Report**

**Consent Calendar Items 1 thru 3:** 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. SFPUC was not present and Central San abstained.

**APPROVALS AND AUTHORIZATIONS**

- 4 Approval: FY 23/24 Contract with Civic Edge for Communications Support, \$20,000** – BACWA Executive Director provided background about the need for a communications support contractor, and Violetta Muselli from Civic Edge gave a presentation about the scope of work.

**Item 4:** A motion to approve was made by Lori Schectel (Central Contra Costa Sanitary District) and seconded by Eric Dunlavey (City of San Jose). The motion was approved unanimously.

- 5 Approval: FY 24 BACWA Budget and Workplan**

**Item 5:** A motion to approve was made by Amit Mutsuddy (EBMUD) and seconded by Jackie Zipkin (East Bay Dischargers Association). The motion was approved unanimously.

**POLICY/STRATEGIC**

- 6 Discussion: Debrief on 4/5 BAAQMD Finance and Administration Com. Meeting Committee agenda** - BACWA Executive Director summarized the presentation she gave at the Air District meeting, which was a follow-up to [this letter](#) from BACWA to Air District Board members.

- 7 Discussion: SSS WDR next steps** - BACWA Regulatory Program Manager shared that on May 3<sup>rd</sup> the Clean Water Summit Partners will host another webinar regarding compliance with the reissued General Order for Sanitary Sewer Systems (SSS-WDR). [Registration link](#) was shared with group.

- 8 Informational: RW interagency collaboration workshop date** - BACWA Executive Director shared that a workshop will be held on September 20<sup>th</sup> to discuss collaboration between water and wastewater agencies on recycled water. BACWA Executive Director will be recruiting additional participants from the water sector.

- 9 Informational: Air toxics testing update** - BACWA Executive Director described that a statewide study of air toxics is being developed by CASA. BACWA is participating in a group scoping out Phase 1 of a two-step study, which will involve narrowing down the list of compounds from AB2588 into those that can be quantified. The group is meeting with CARB on 4/25 to discuss the study plan. Per the approved FY24 Budget, BACWA plans to provide funds to CASA on behalf of member agencies participating in the study, then invoice members for participation in FY25.

**10 Discussion: Draft sign-off letters for NBS and RW evaluations** - BACWA Executive Director shared draft letters with the group. BACWA ED asked for feedback and approval on draft letters. Letters are due July 1, 2023. The group discussed the meaning of contract supervision and timing of completion for the draft reports by the consultant teams.

**Action Item:** BACWA Executive Director to share draft letters and draft reports with agencies.

**10 min break**

**11 Discussion: Draft agenda for 4/27 Joint meeting with R2** - BACWA Executive Director shared draft agenda with group and asked for feedback. Eric Dunlavey gave a summary of the RMP emerging contaminant workgroup meeting. For 2024, the workgroup is recommending a synthesis document of PFAS studies; stormwater remote sampling studies; studies of OPEs (flame retardants), bisphenols, and other plastic additives in wastewater, as well as a study of PFAS TOP in Bay water. The group discussed topics and adjusted the agenda.

**12 Informational: PFAS presentation** - Diana Lin from SFEI shared study update on PFAS Phase 2 project which is concentrated on investigation around PFAS sources in sewershed. Diana shared slides on PFAS analysis, Phase 1 influent, effluent & biosolids concentrations using the targeted and TOP methods. Diana also shared slides on Phase 2 priority study questions to inform management of PFAS entering sewershed and preliminary results. Diana summarized preliminary findings of potential sources of PFAS and industrial laundry service was discussed at length. SFEI plans to complete the data QA/QC in May and work on the data interpretation April thru September, and they will upload the target analyte from influent, effluent, and biosolids to Geotracker in July. The final report should be available Dec 2023 to Mar 2024. The group discussed the report results and what to present at the Annual Meeting.

**Action item:** BACWA Executive Director to share copies of Diana's slides in advance of the Annual Meeting.

**OPERATIONAL**

**13 Discussion: Annual Meeting Final Program** - BACWA Executive Director shared Annual Meeting final program with group. BACWA ED summarized topics, speakers and moderators for the day.

**Action Items:** BACWA ED to work with speakers on the extreme precipitation presentation.

**14 Discussion: Memorial video for David Williams** - BACWA Executive Director sent out a link to group to create a video about David Williams ([text option](#), [video option](#)).

**15 Discussion: Meeting locations for CY 2023** - BACWA Executive Director shared meeting locations for remainder of 2023.

**16 Informational: BACC Update and cost comparison** – BACWA Assistant Executive Director shared [webpage](#) with BACC cost comparison chart.

**REPORTS**

**17 Committee Reports** - In the packet

- 18 Member highlights** - EBMUD shared plant split stream updates. SFPUC shared that Greg Norby is moving to Central San at the end of May. Central San shared that Florence Wedington has joined the Board and that Tim Potter retired. City of San Jose shared staffing changes and openings.
- 19 Executive Director Report** - In the packet.
- 20 Board Calendar and Action Items** - In the packet.
- 21 Regulatory Program Manager Report** - In the packet.
- 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
  - 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. WaterReuse 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**

**NEXT MEETING** The next meeting of the Board is scheduled for June 16, 2023

**ADJOURNMENT**

11:48 PM