

CONSENT CALENDAR

- 1 **March 15, 2024 BACWA Executive Board meeting minutes**
- 2 **March 15, 2024 BACWA NST Special Executive Board meeting minutes**
- 3 **April 4, 2024 BACWA Special Executive Board meeting minutes**
- 4 **February 2024 Treasurer's Report**

Consent Calendar items 1 thru 4: 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 by the remaining board members.

APPROVALS AND AUTHORIZATIONS

- 5 **Approval: Final FY25 Budget and Workplan**

Approvals and Authorizations item 5: A motion to approve was made by Amy Chastain (SFPUC) and seconded by Lori Schectel (Central Contra Costa Sanitary District). The motion was approved by the remaining board members.

- 6 **Approval: Amendment for Civic Edge to update Baywise Website**

Approvals and Authorizations item 6: A motion to approve was made by Eric Dunlavey (City of San Jose) and seconded by Jackie Zipkin (East Bay Dischargers Authority). The motion was approved by the remaining board members.

POLICY/STRATEGIC

- 7 **Discussion: EPA program office - BACWA comments and EPA response** - BACWA ED shared the EPA's response to BACWA's comments on the funding priorities for the new EPA Region 9 program office. A general discussion followed regarding potential need areas for EPA water quality improvement funding in the San Francisco Bay region.

Action Item: BACWA ED to invite EPA staff to the June BACWA meeting.

- 8 **Informational: OPC funding modeling of Monterey/SF coast** - BACWA ED shared recent research findings related to Ocean Acidification and Hypoxia along the California coast, as well as upcoming plans for research that is being financially supported by the Ocean Protection Council.

- 9 **Informational: CASA Air Toxics update** - BACWA ED shared that CASA would be presenting at the BACWA Annual Members Meeting. A contract with Yorke Engineering is being finalized and the project is moving along.

- 10 **Discussion: Proposed operations-focused nutrient removal workshop to benefit DJ scholarship** - BACWA ED shared that a group is raising funds for a David Jenkins memorial scholarship and would like BACWA's help to host a nutrient removal workshop event in late August for operators. The participants would pay to attend the workshop and those funds would be donated to the scholarship. A general discussion regarding location followed.

11 Discussion: Vendor access re innovative nutrient technology - BACWA ED asked group if there is interest and for ideas about how to connect members with vendors regarding nutrient technologies. The group gave BACWA ED ideas for how to move forward and suggested coordination with CASA.

12 Discussion: RFP for Nutrient Group Annual Report - draft scope & schedule - BACWA ED shared a slide that summarized options for issuing an RFP for a consultant to help prepare the group annual report and regional study required by the draft Nutrient Watershed Permit. BACWA ED proposed adding the regional planning study to RFP for the group annual report, such that the same firm would handle both reports beginning with the annual report due in 2026. BACWA ED also recommended a new one-year contract with HDR for the 2024-2025 group annual report to ensure that it can be performed in a timely manner, and the Board agreed.

BREAK 10:30-10:35

13 Informational: Recent press and next steps - BACWA ED shared results from recent plant tours for Bay Area press. The press coverage was positive and well researched. The group discussed the press and next steps.

14 Discussion: PFAS legislative and regulatory updates - BACWA RPM shared slides regarding the USEPA federal limits of PFAS in drinking water that were adopted this week. A general discussion followed.

Action items: BACWA RPM to circulate a comment letter on EPA's influent study of POTWs.

OPERATIONAL

15 Discussion: BACWA Biosolids Committee Reboot - BACWA ED asked if board was interested in reviving the BACWA Biosolids Committee. We would need a chair and BACWA ED proposed meeting twice a year, for facility & construction tours and info share. The group was interested in reviving the committee.

16 Discussion: Annual Meeting Program - BACWA ED shared progress on attendees registering for the Annual Members Meeting. BACWA ED shared the program, discussed the topics and the moderators. A general discussion followed.

17 Informational: BACC Update [2024 BACC Price Comparison](#) - BACWA AED shared there is a document summarizing the FY24-25 BACC chemicals in the packet and indicating if there was an increase \ decrease in the price over last year. There is a link to the full document on the website displaying the prices by region and chemical concentration. BACC agencies are currently setting up their contracts with the awarded vendors.

18 Committee Reports - In the packet.

19 Member Updates - EBDA, SFPUC, EBMUD, FSSD, City of San Jose and Central San shared updates.

20 Executive Director Report - In the packet.

21 Board Calendar and Action Items - In the packet.

22 Regulatory Program Manager Report - In the packet.

23 Other BACWA Representative Reports

- a. RMP Technical Review Committee Samantha Engelage, Alicia Chakrabarti
- 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 Amit Mutsuddy, Eric Dunlavey; alternates: Lori Schectel, Jackie Zipkin
 - e.i Nutrient Planning Subcommittee Eric Dunlavey
 - e.ii MERHAB MaTAG Amit Mutsuddy
- f. SWRCB Nutrient SAG Lorien Fono
- g. BAIRWMP Cheryl Munoz; Florence Wedington; Jackie Zipkin
- h. NACWA Emerging Contaminants Karin North; Melody LaBella
- i. CASA State Legislative Committee Lori Schectel
- j. CASA Regulatory Workgroup Lorien Fono; Mary Cousins
- k. RMP Microplastics Liaison Artem Dyachenko
- l. Bay Area Regional Reliability Project Jackie Zipkin
- m. WateReuse Working Group Cheryl Munoz
- n. San Francisco Estuary Partnership Lorien Fono; Jackie Zipkin
- o. CPSC Policy Education Advisory Committee Colleen Henry
- p. California Ocean Protection Council Lorien Fono
- q. Countywide Water Reuse Master Plan Karin North, Pedro Hernandez
- r. CHARG - Coastal Hazards Adaptation Resiliency Group Jackie Zipkin
- s. California Water Quality Monitoring Council Lorien Fono
- t. CASA Air Toxics Steering Committee Lorien Fono, Jason Nettleton

24 SUGGESTIONS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

NEXT MEETING The next meeting of the Board is scheduled for June 21, 2024, at EBMUD in Orinda

ADJOURNMENT

11:48 AM