

**Committee Request for Board Action:** None  
Virtual meeting format with 35 attendees representing 18 member agencies.

<p><b>Welcome to new Vice Chair,</b> Blake Brown from Central San</p>
<p><b>Central San’s Experiences with KLIR Software</b> Robert Hess from Central San shared his agency’s recent experience implementing <a href="#">KLIR</a> software for tracking requirements where Central San is the regulated entity. Central San has about 125 such permits, including an NPDES permit, Air District permits, and occupational health &amp; safety permits (e.g., pressure vessels). At Central San, the KLIR software replaced a macro-enabled spreadsheet, and it has helped reduced the administrative burden associated with permit compliance tasks. Robert provided a demonstration of the software, noting that the calendar view and ability to delegate tasks are particularly useful. A slide deck from a similar presentation is available <a href="#">here</a>. After Robert’s presentation, attendees shared the approaches their individual agencies use for tracking regulatory due, which included Excel spreadsheets, specialty software designed in-house, work orders in CMMS, Microsoft SharePoint, and OnBase by Hyland.</p>
<p><b>Upcoming Permits / Tentative Orders</b> – Sonoma Valley CSD’s NPDES permit is scheduled for reissuance in December 2024 (see <a href="#">draft permit</a>), while Palo Alto’s is likely to be delayed until early 2025.</p>
<p><b>White Paper on Constituents of Emerging Concern (CECs)</b> Samantha Engelage (Palo Alto) provided background information about SFEI’s <a href="#">Regional Monitoring Program</a> (RMP); she serves as a representative from BACWA to the RMP Technical Review Committee. Sam shared Palo Alto’s experience participating in special studies of CECs, which involves some administrative burden (sample collection and shipping) but is also rewarding due to the ability to stay up-to-date on new science and regulations. She recommended joining one or more RMP workgroup email lists. RMP meetings are open to anyone, though voting is restricted to official representatives. Mary Cousins (BACWA) shared info about the draft white paper on CECs studies that has been shared with the committee, which summarizes information about recently completed studies of CECs in Bay Area wastewater and provides information about wastewater treatment facilities that the RMP scientists can use to design future studies. A final version will be shared with the committee soon. The <a href="#">RMP Annual Meeting</a> in October 2024 also focused on CECs.</p>
<p><b>Nutrient Watershed Permit Implementation</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• BACWA will be hiring a consultant team to assist with specific tasks required by the <a href="#">Nutrient Watershed Permit</a>. See the <a href="#">RFP</a>, <a href="#">Implementation Plan</a> and <a href="#">Key Due Dates and Tasks</a> for more info.</li><li>• Slides from the <a href="#">Dr. David Jenkins Nutrient Seminar</a> are now available. “Intensification” was the buzzword of the event, particularly MABR and Annamox sidestream treatment. A pilot study of MABR is ongoing at Central San and construction is underway at Palo Alto. The event raised almost \$30k for the scholarship fund, and the planning committee may host a future event on cross-media issues.</li><li>• BACWA has met with Regional Water Board staff to discuss <a href="#">proposed changes</a> to the <a href="#">2008 Compliance Schedule Policy</a> per <a href="#">Resolution R2-2024-0014</a>. The effort has been delayed but Regional Water Board staff have pledged to continue working on it.</li><li>• The next meeting of the science program steering committee is Friday, October 11<sup>th</sup> (<a href="#">see materials</a>). The science program anticipates a significant increase in funding (about \$3M) from USEPA.</li></ul>
<p><b>Other Discussion Items and Announcements</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• BACWA has prepared a <a href="#">comment letter</a> on the <a href="#">2024 Triennial Review Staff Report</a>, which includes a nutrient-related Basin Plan Amendment as one of the top priorities for staff time.</li><li>• BACWA has submitted a request to the Regional Water Board regarding PCB congener reporting (<a href="#">link</a>).</li><li>• On October 16<sup>th</sup>, the Supreme Court heard <a href="#">San Francisco vs. USEPA</a> about generic receiving water limitations in NPDES permits (<a href="#">link to oral arguments</a>).</li><li>• Agencies with chlorine disinfection should make sure to include information about any changes to chlorine process control plans in their Annual Self-Monitoring Reports. See examples from <a href="#">EBMUD</a>, <a href="#">CMSA</a>, <a href="#">San Jose</a>, and <a href="#">San Mateo</a>.</li></ul>
<p><b>Next Permits Committee Meeting: December 10th, 2024, 10:30 AM at DSRSD in Pleasanton</b> <b>Joint Meeting, Holiday Luncheon, and Cookie exchange</b></p>