

Committee Request for Board Action: None

42 attendees participated virtually. Participants represented 25 member agencies, the Regional Water Board, and two guest speakers.

Updates on Committee Activity and Announcements

- **Regional Water Board Announcements:** Staff shared a link to [slides](#) from the Nov. 2024 Board meeting in which NapaSan was awarded the [Dr. Teng-Chung Wu Pollution Prevention Award](#).
- **BACWA:** BACWA is preparing a communications plan and will share a draft soon. BACWA's Executive Board will hear an update on the DTSC Safer Consumer Products program at its Dec. 6th meeting ([link to slides](#)).
- **Steering Committee:** The recently completed fall outreach campaign focused on Fats, Oils, and Grease (FOG). Official statistics will be shared soon. The spring campaign will focus on PFAS.
- **Pesticides Committee:** The committee is recruiting new members from wastewater agencies, and will provide training for new volunteers. The pesticides consultant team will present at the next BAPPG meeting on January 29th.
- **CWEA** will host its next Annual P3S Conference in San Jose on February 3-5, 2025. [Register here](#).

Green Business Programs

[Susan Psara](#) (Contra Costa County) and [Brian Luu](#) (SF Environment Department) provided information about the California Green Business Network, a 501(c)(3) organization that helps facilitate local programs. Slides are [available here](#). The purpose of green business programs is to recognize and promote businesses that meet high environmental sustainability standards, and to facilitate relationships between businesses and government. Contra Costa County and San Francisco have dedicated staff to implement their programs. Elsewhere in the Bay Area, there are contract staff from the firm Environmental Innovations that support the programs. Find local contacts at <https://greenbusinessca.org/contact/>. Wastewater agencies should coordinate with their local green business program coordinator to provide information about any locally relevant wastewater policies. For example, in San Francisco there are incentives available through the Green Business program that are relevant to wastewater, such as incentives for grease trap upgrades. The statewide Green Business Network provides checklists specific to each business sector that are periodically updated, and the group discussed ways to make sure that those checklists are shared more widely and updated with the involvement of wastewater agency representatives.

FOG Disposal for Food Trucks

The group discussed the rules for proper disposal of FOG from food trucks and suggested edits to [an outdated flyer](#). BACWA staff will prepare an updated draft for the group to review. The group discussed the following general information about food trucks and grease disposal:

- There are two different waste streams from food trucks that could contain FOG: used cooking oil and greywater. Per state code, greywater must go to a commissary or commercial kitchen, where there would typically be a grease trap. Food trucks should not discharge to stormwater system.
- Large quantities of oil (e.g., from a deep fryer) must get hauled by a certified hauler (such as Darling). A few Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) facilities around the Bay Area will collect small amounts of used cooking oil from food trucks. However, not all HHW programs will accept used cooking oil, so this is not the universal message for food trucks in the Bay Area, only in certain jurisdictions.

Next BAPPG General Meeting: January 29, 10am – 12pm, Virtual

The agenda will include an update on pesticides from BAPPG's pesticides regulatory support consultant, Stephanie Hughes.