

San Francisco Estuary Partnership
Implementation Committee Meeting
Wednesday, August 23, 2017
1515 Clay Street, Oakland

MEETING SUMMARY

1. Welcome and Intro

Amy Hutzler, Chair, called the meeting to order, and each member introduced themselves.

2. Public Comment

There were no public comments

3. Approve 5/24/17 Meeting Summary

The May 24, 2017 Meeting Summary was approved. Motion to approve by Pat Eklund, seconded by Barbara Salzman. Motion carried

4. Director's Report

Caitlin Sweeney highlighted several items from the Director's Report

New Website

Showcases the Estuary Blueprint, with the four goals and projects listed underneath. Revised to be more user-friendly and be more user-friendly

Sewer Lateral Repair Report

Research and report on sewer lateral ordinances completed over the summer, focusing on one of the Blueprint tasks. Members discussed and supported distributing to cities and sanitary districts.

SFEP Hosing CA Sea Grant Fellow

SFEP will be hosting a student from the Sea Grant State Fellowship for 'on the job' experience in marine/coastal resource policy work. This supports Action 2, Regional Monitoring Program.....

Resilient By Design

Amy gave an update on the shoreline resilience design challenge. Ten teams have been selected by the jury. The collaborative research starts soon including site visits, with submittal of concepts to follow. Teams will work with communities, local governments, etc. and the ten completed designs will be unveiled in May.

SFEP Communications Plan

SFEP developing a new communications plan beginning in October. Interested IC members invited to contact Darcie (darcie.luce@sfestuary.org).

New IC Members

Listed in the Agenda. Eleven new members, welcome to all.

5. Estuary Blueprint Presentation Template

Staff gave an overview of the Blueprint, reviewing goals, recent success stories, and ways to get involved. Feedback from IC members will be incorporated and sent out. Suggestion to include in slide show why we're doing the work and give context, particularly to a broader audience, as well as how to get involved at the local level. Suggestion to be less nuts-and-bolts and include local examples. Importance of communication plan stressed.

6. Estuary Blueprint Progress

Review of the tracking document. Five 2017 Tasks completed. SFEP staff will be bringing some of the more challenging tasks to the IC. Suggestion to include a more comprehensive overview of progress on Tasks and Actions once a year or so. Challenge is balancing internal/external communication, level of detail, amount of staff work vs. ability of members to use that info. Suggestion to identify Tasks that are not progressing and how the IC addresses these.

7. Partnership Update

Healthy Watersheds, Resilient Baylands Project

Darcie Luce, SFEP

Erica Spottswood (SFEI)

Scott Dusterhoff (SFEI)

Overview of a cluster of projects covering watershed improvement, urban greening, tidal wetland restoration, and regional resource development. Goal is to develop integrated multi-benefit actions that support healthy watersheds and resilient baylands. Review of regional strategy development, understanding the benefits, and how these guide the implementation. Tidal wetland restoration piece looks at sediment supply and demand to assess bayland

resilience. Suggestion to include some other stakeholders. Also question on how to have IC engaged on a deeper level on projects.

State of the Estuary Conference

Karen McDowell, SFEP

Program being finalized, and registration opening shortly. Trying to highlight the Blueprint at the conference. Poster session is the first night. Collecting final sponsorships.

8. Draft Revised Bylaws

Operating procedures that have been revised over time, with updates in 2011. Goal is to streamline and add anything missing. One new item is what to do between IC meetings if we need a vote. Suggestion to add to H to add a time period required. This will be sent out for comments. Suggestion to rename to Operating Procedures. Suggestion to include how to get an item on the agenda. Suggestion to include introduction/purpose of IC, NEP, and a 'Wait, why am I talking?' Question on communication between with primaries and alternates. Question on alternate voting rights and inclusion of rules of order. Suggestion on clarifying one vote per organization.

10. Concluding Business / Meeting Road Map

Proposed alternating meetings between San Francisco and Oakland. Next meeting will solicit nominations for Chair and Vice Chair. Reviewed potential meeting discussion ideas. Suggestion on having IC members discuss strategic Action areas that need attention. Dyan Whyte retiring

11. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 12:25.

Attendees:

IC Members: Matt Fabry (SMCWPPP), Brad Paul (MTC), Rick Thomasser (BAFPAA), Steve Goldbeck (BCDC), Pat Eklund (ABAG Exec Board), Rebecca Smyth (NOAA), Leigh Sharp (NRCD), Alyson Aquino (NRCS), John Coleman (BPC), Anna Wearn (NRDC), Amy Hutzler (SCC), Tom Mumley (SFBRWQCB), Diane Ross-Leech (PG&E), Arthur Feinstein (CCCR), Michael Vasey (SFBNERR), Jenna Judge (NOAA), Debra Kustic (DC), Adrian Covert (BAC), Paula Trigueros (FoE), Michelle Selmon (DWR), Jane Lavalley (SFPUC), Barbara Salzman (Audubon), Beth Huning (SFBJV), Werner Chabot (SFEI), Luisa Valiela (EPA), Chris Barton (EBRPD), Jessica Martini-Lamb (SCWA), Melody Tovar (City of Sunnyvale), John Klochak (USFWS)

Public: Erica Yelenski – EPA

SFEP Staff: Caitlin Sweeney, Karen McDowell, Adrian Baudrimont, Darcie Luce, Josh Bradt, Natasha Dunn, Heidi Nutters

Presenters: Erica Spottswood (SFEI), Scott Dusterhoff (SFEI)