

 <p>SFEI AQUATIC SCIENCE CENTER</p> <p>4911 Central Ave Richmond, CA 94804</p>	<p>RMP Steering Committee</p> <p>July 21, 2015 9:30 AM – 3:30 PM</p>
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AGENDA

1.	Introductions and Review Agenda	9:30 Tom Mumley
2.	<p>Decision: Approve Meeting Summary from April 21, 2015 Steering Committee Meeting</p> <p>Materials: See pages 5-14</p> <p>Desired outcome: Approval of meeting summary</p>	9:35 Tom Mumley
3.	<p>Information: TRC Meeting Summary</p> <p>Topics discussed at the June TRC meeting included: Proposals for 2016 Special Studies, the 2015-2016 Bay Margins Sediment Study, and upcoming S&T Cruise Plans.</p> <p>Materials: See pages 15-24</p> <p>Desired Outcome: Informed committee</p>	9:40 Phil Trowbridge
4.	<p>Information: RMP Financial Update for 2015 Quarter 2</p> <p>The RMP Financial Update report summarizes the balance of budgeted and reserved RMP funds as well as its cash position. The results of the SFEI Financial Audit for FY15 will also be reported. The committee will also discuss the pros and cons of switching from a calendar year to a fiscal year.</p> <p>Materials: See pages 25-36</p> <p>Desired outcome: Informed committee and feedback on pros and cons of switching to a fiscal year accounting system</p>	9:50 Lawrence Leung Phil Trowbridge
5.	<p>Discussion: Science Update - Selenium</p> <p>The topic for the quarterly science update is selenium. Results from the 2014 muscle plug sampling and the 2015 Sturgeon Derby study will be presented. Plans for future monitoring will be described.</p> <p>Materials: None</p>	10:20 Jay Davis Jennifer Sun

	Desired outcome: Informed committee	
6.	<p>Decision: Request for Undesignated Funds for 2015 Sturgeon Muscle Plug Study</p> <p>In 2013, the Steering Committee allocated \$23,000 each for the 2014 and 2015 Sturgeon Muscle Plug Studies. Based information gained during the 2014 field season, several modifications are proposed for the 2015 study, including an increase in RMP labor funds to support additional field work and coordination, the addition of blood plasma sex steroid analyses, and the removal of green sturgeon muscle plug analyses. An additional \$12,000 is requested to support these modifications to the 2015 Sturgeon Muscle Plug study. <i>(Recommended by the Selenium Workgroup on 6/12/15 and the TRC on 6/30/15)</i></p> <p>Materials: See pages 37-38</p> <p>Desired outcome: To approve allocating \$12,000 from Undesignated Funds to the 2015 Sturgeon Muscle Plug Study</p>	11:00 Jennifer Sun
7.	<p>Decision: Approve Special Studies for 2016</p> <p>Between 4/30/15 and 6/12/15, the Workgroups for Emerging Contaminants, Sources Pathways and Loadings, PCBs, Dioxin, Exposure and Effects, and Selenium met to develop proposals for special studies in 2016. The total cost of all the proposed studies is \$1,229,325 but the expected budget is \$850,000. The TRC reviewed the studies and has recommended a suite of studies worth \$858,000 for funding in 2016. The Steering Committee will review the recommended studies, make any adjustments warranted, and then approve the special studies for 2016.</p> <p>Materials: See pages 39-122</p> <p>Desired outcome: To approve a suite of special studies for 2016</p>	11:15 Thomas Mumley
	Lunch Break	12:15
8.	<p>Discussion: Pros, cons and viability of new sources of revenue for the RMP</p> <p>The RMP has a revenue shortfall of \$330,000 per year starting in 2016. On 4/21/15, the Steering Committee formed a subcommittee to evaluate options for new revenue for the RMP but limited progress has been made to date. For this agenda item, there will be a brief status report and review of the members and charge for the subcommittee.</p> <p>Materials: See page 123</p> <p>Desired outcome: Confirmed membership and charge for RMP revenue subcommittee.</p>	12:45 Tom Mumley
9.	<p>Discussion: Coordination with the Delta RMP using revenue from East Contra Costa County</p> <p>In 2015, the Delta RMP transitioned from planning to implementation. The program has a \$890,000 budget for FY15/16, which will fund current use pesticide monitoring,</p>	1:15 Philip Trowbridge

	<p>pathogens monitoring, and synthesis of data on nutrients. The Bay and Delta RMPs should be coordinated as a general principle. However, there is another, immediate reason for coordination. The cities in East Contra Costa County have participated in the Bay RMP even though they are actually under the jurisdiction of the Central Valley Water Board. These cities would like to continue to pay into the Bay RMP but the Central Valley Water Board has requested that their fees (~\$27,000) should be earmarked for coordination with the Delta RMP.</p> <p>Materials: See pages 124-125</p> <p>Desired outcome: To update the committee on the Delta RMP in general and to obtain feedback on the CVWQCB proposal to earmark \$27,000 of funding for coordination with the Delta RMP.</p>	
<p>10.</p>	<p>Decision: Request for Undesignated Funds for monitoring California Toxics Rule parameters during the 2015 water cruise and discussion of increased revenue from POTWs to cover these costs going forward</p> <p>California Toxics Rule (CTR) parameters have not been measured in the Bay since 2003. This information is needed for Reasonable Potential Analysis by POTWs. POTWs also spend on the order of \$200,000 per year on CTR parameter monitoring in effluent with most results reported as “non detect”. On 6/30/15, the TRC discussed the option of adding CTR parameters and emerging contaminants broadscan surveys to the S&T Monitoring more frequently. After the 2015 data are collected, the RMP will conduct an expedited review on frequency and need of CTR parameter monitoring. The Water Board will review the possibility of reducing the requirements of CTR sampling in effluent; the future cost savings realized by the POTWs could be a new source of revenue for the RMP. The bigger decision about exchanging CTR effluent monitoring by POTWs for RMP S&T monitoring will take time to resolve. However, if the Steering Committee wants to add CTR parameters to the 2015 Water Cruise, when the vessel is already paid for, the decision must be made to allocate \$26,000 of Undesignated Funds at this meeting.</p> <p>Materials: See pages 126-131</p> <p>Desired outcome: Approval of request for undesignated funds for CTR monitoring during the 2015 water cruise and discussion of the potential for increased RMP revenue from POTWs for CTR monitoring and broadscan surveys as part of S&T monitoring.</p>	<p>1:45 Karin North</p>
<p>11.</p>	<p>Discussion: Update on State of the Estuary Conference and RMP Annual Meeting Planning</p> <p>The SOE conference will be on September 17-18, 2015. The RMP Annual Meeting will be conducted during Day 2 of the conference. The purpose of this agenda item to present the final list of speakers and session topics for the time slots allocated to the RMP and to discuss the registration process for the conference.</p> <p>Materials: See pages 132-134</p>	<p>2:15 Phil Trowbridge</p>

	Desired Outcome: Informed committee regarding SOE speakers and improved pre-registration process for RMP participants	
12.	<p>Discussion: Status of RMP Deliverables and Action Items</p> <p>Materials: See pages 135-147</p> <p>Desired outcome: To inform the committee about the status of RMP deliverables</p>	<p>2:30 Phil Trowbridge Jay Davis</p>
13.	<p>Discussion: Preparations for the Multi-Year Planning Workshop in November and setting dates for the January 2016 and April 2016 meetings.</p> <p>The next SC meeting and Multi-Year Planning Workshop is scheduled for November 10, 2015. Proposed dates for the next two meetings after that are January 19, 2016 and April 19, 2015.</p> <p>Materials: None</p> <p>Desired outcome: To plan the November workshop and to set the dates for the January 2016 and April 2016 meetings.</p>	<p>2:50 Jay Davis</p>
14.	Discussion: Plus/Delta	<p>3:10 Thomas Mumley</p>
15.	Adjourn	3:30