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RMP Steering Committee Meeting

April 24th, 2007 San Francisco Estuary Institute Second Floor Conference Room 7770 Pardee Lane, Oakland, CA 12:30 PM - 3:00 PM

AGENDA

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1.	Approval of Agenda and Minutes (Attachment)	12:30
		Chair
2.	Information: Committee Member Updates	12:35
		Group
3.	Information: Technical Review Committee Meeting Summary	12:40
	(Attachment)	Meg Sedlak
	Topics of discussion at the March TRC meeting included:	
	evaluation of Status and Trends elements, UCSC special study on	
	mercury, an invasive oyster, and an update on the coring project.	
4.	Information: Budget Status (Handouts/attachments)	12:50
	An update of the RMP budgets will be presented. Several	Meg Sedlak
	requests have been made for use of unallocated subcontractor	
	funds for 2006 including: additional analyses for the 2006	
	CEP/RMP coring project; reanalysis of 2005 bivalve samples; and	
	analysis of cormorant egg samples.	
5.	Action: Additional tasks for 2007 Budget	1:05
	(Handout/Attachments)	Meg Sedlak
	Several additional requests have been made to the RMP for	<i>3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3</i>
	activities in 2007. These include: write-up of 2006 cormorant	
	eggs; compilation of data for a NWQMC pilot network design	
	study; and write-up of the results of the additional analyses of the	
	cores.	
	The TRC requested that the SC evaluate requests and funding by	
	non-RMP participants (see TRC minutes from the March 27 th	
	meeting regarding the request by the Copper Development Agency	
	to conduct analyses of cores for copper).	
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	Recommended action: Approval of additional tasks. Discuss	
	RMP policy for acceptance of funds from non-RMP	
	participants (e.g., Copper Development Agency)	
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6.	Action: Approval of Redesign of Status and Trends (Handout) A table summarizing the Status and Trends elements (existing and new) was presented at the March TRC meeting. The TRC approved the inclusion of tributary studies, small fish, and bird monitoring into the Status and Trends program. The table summarizing elements in Status and Trends will be presented. Recommended action: Approval of changes to the Status and	1:25 Meg Sedlak
	Trends program	
7.	Action: Request for use of Contingency Funds (Attachment) Andy Cohen has identified an invasive oyster in the southern portion of the San Francisco Bay that may have been introduced by the RMP. RMP contingency funds are requested to remove the oyster and to determine the source of the invasion. Desired Outcome: Decision on whether to spend \$30,000 of RMP funds on eradicating the oyster.	1:40 Andy Cohen
8.	Action: Setting Dredger Fees for 2008 and Beyond (Attachment) Every three years the dredger fee is recalculated based on the past five years of disposal of dredged material. A proposal for the new fee will be presented.	2:05 Sarah Lowe
9.	Discussion: Agenda for Annual Meeting (Handout) The Oakland Museum has been booked for the Annual Meeting on October 2nd. A preliminary agenda has been prepared. Input from the Committee is needed	2:30 Mike Connor
10.	Information: Pulse (Attachment) Authors for the 2007 Pulse have been lined up and a revised outline has been prepared.	2:40 Meg Sedlak
11.	Information: Program Update (Attachment/Handout) An update on deliverables will be presented including: Workgroup updates Hg Meeting Summary	2:50 Meg Sedlak
12.	Adjourn	3:00