



## RMP Technical Review Committee Meeting

March 27th, 2007

San Francisco Estuary Institute  
Second Floor Conference Room  
7770 Pardee Lane, Oakland  
10:00am-3:00pm

Lunch will be provided. We will take a short break and then keep working through lunch.

### DRAFT AGENDA

1.	<b>Introductions and Approval of Agenda and Minutes</b> (Attachment)	10:00 Chair
2.	<b>Information: Steering Committee Report</b> (Attachment)	10:10 Meg Sedlak
3.	<p><b>Action: Decision on Redesign of Status and Trends Program</b> (Attachments/Handouts)</p> <p>A table summarizing the Status and Trends elements (existing and new) was presented at the November Redesign meeting. The TRC will need to prioritize the list of existing and new components and decide on the elements to include. The discussion will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A brief summary of the seasonality meeting;</li> <li>• A presentation on the rationale for including bird egg monitoring; and</li> <li>• An update on the organic analyte frequency. At the December TRC meeting, a recommendation was made for reducing the frequency of PCB, pesticide and PAH analyses to once every two years. This frequency was discussed with the Regional Board and approved. A revised table will be presented.</li> </ul> <p><b>Desired Outcome: Redesigned program for Status and Trends to be implemented in 2008</b></p>	10:20 Meg Sedlak, Jay Davis, and Group
	<b>BREAK</b>	12:30

4.	<p><b>Action: UCSC Special Study for 2007</b> (Handout)</p> <p>In 2007, the Status and Trends program will conduct an intercalibration exercise with UCSC and Brooks Rand Laboratories. Brooks Rand will conduct analysis of all stations; UCSC will conduct duplicate analyses at approximately one third of stations. In addition to conducting the duplicate analyses at a third of the sites, UCSC will conduct a focused study on mercury in the Bay. The SC has approved the concept of an intercalibration exercise with the two labs and a special study by UCSC; however, the SC has requested that TRC review and approve the study proposed by UCSC.</p> <p><b>Desired outcome:</b> Approval of the UCSC study</p>	1:10 Don Yee
5.	<p><b>Action: Use of Contingency Funds for Invasive Oysters</b> (Attachment)</p> <p>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.</p> <p><b>Desired Outcome:</b> Decision on whether to spend \$30,000 of RMP funds on eradicating the oyster.</p>	1:30 Andy Cohen
6.	<p><b>Information: Setting Priorities for 2008 Program Plan: Preliminary Discussion</b> (Handout)</p> <p>The annual process for considering new Pilot and Special Studies is underway. Some study ideas are in hand already. The RMP Workgroups are all meeting between now and June to generate and prioritize ideas. At the June TRC meeting, all of the ideas will be discussed.</p> <p><b>Desired Outcome:</b> Discuss study concepts and identify methods for soliciting additional ideas.</p>	1:50 Meg Sedlak Jay Davis
7.	<p><b>Information: Water Quality Index</b> (Attachment)</p> <p>Bruce Thompson and colleagues have developed a water quality index for the Bay.</p> <p><b>Desire Outcome:</b> Input on the methodology used</p>	2:10 Bruce Thompson
8.	<p><b>Information: Pulse and Annual Meeting Update</b> (Attachment)</p> <p>An update on the status of the Pulse will be given. Preliminary discussion of the agenda for the Annual Meeting.</p>	2:30 Jay Davis
9.	<p><b>Action: Academia and the RMP</b> (Attachment)</p> <p>The SC committee agreed with the TRC on the importance of academic participation in the RMP. The SC requested that the TRC develop a plan for inclusion of academia.</p> <p><b>Desired Outcome:</b> Develop a strategy for inclusion of academia</p>	2:30 Meg Sedlak
10.	<p><b>Information: Program Update and Laboratory Data Status</b> (Attachments/Handouts)</p> <p>Workgroup updates Hg Meeting Summary Bivalve Reanalysis Updated deliverables scorecard and laboratory data tracking sheet</p>	2:45 Meg Sedlak

11.	<b>Action: Set Agenda and Date for Next Meeting</b> Due to conflicts, it is not possible to schedule the TRC meeting on the 3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of June. Proposed date for the TRC meeting is July 10 <sup>th</sup> .	3:00 Chair
12.	<b>Adjourn</b>	