

CALIFORNIA WATER QUALITY MONITORING COUNCIL

**California Estuary Monitoring Workgroup
Meeting Agenda**

Wednesday, May 13th – 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM

Delta Conservancy Conference Room
1450 Halyard Drive, Suite 6, West Sacramento



IMPORTANT INFORMATION

REMOTE ACCESS: There will be web conferencing available via WebEx during this meeting. Call-in number **888-861-1254** Participant access code: **737615#** and join the WebEx meeting from here:
<https://meetings.webex.com/collabs/meetings/join?uuid=M035J1MY8QJX9F2PXUGQZ3GSL-GQBN>

Item	1	Approx. Time
Title of Topic:	Introduction and Announcements	15 min
	1) Introductions and announcements 2) Review notes from last CEMW meeting 3) Review agenda for today	
Desired Outcome:	Approve meeting notes	
Attachment:	031115 CEMW notes.pdf	

Item	2	Approx. Time
Title of Topic:	Liaison Reports	45 min
Background:	The Monitoring Council and the Council’s workgroups are actively working on several items (SB 1070). This agenda item is for the routine update on key activities or decisions made by other workgroups or the Council, followed by a brief discussion of how the activities would impact the CEMW. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. CA WQMC: Kris Jones 2. CA Wetland Monitoring Workgroup: Kristal Davis Fadtker and Kris Jones 3. Healthy Streams Partnership: Lori Webber 	

	<p>4. Data Management Workgroup: Tony Hale</p> <p>5. BOG workgroup for “Is it safe to eat fish?”: Kris Jones</p> <p>6. Safe to Swim Workgroup: Kris Jones</p> <p>Ocean/Rocky Intertidal Workgroup: Kris Jones</p>
Desired Outcome:	Information Exchange and ideas for enhancing the Estuaries Portal
Contact Person:	Kris Jones Kristopher.Jones@water.ca.gov
Attachment:	

Item	3	Approx. Time
Title of Topic:	State of the Estuary Report Coordination	30 min
Background:	Since we’ve modeled the Estuaries Portal after the 2011 SOTB Report and are trying to collaborate on making the next report an estuary report for 2015. We would like to discuss specific linkages that could be made.	
Desired Outcome:	Discussion of options for linkages that could be made between the Portal and SOTER, and determine the process the CEMW will use to prioritize linkages and assess the level of effort involved. A timeline will be determined for providing this information to Letitia Grenier and Tony Hale.	
Contact Person:	Hildie Spautz Hildegard.Spautz@wildlife.ca.gov	
Attachment:		

Item	4	Approx. Time
Title of Topic:	Worker Bee Updates	30 min
Background:	<p>Worker Bees have been implementing 2014 work plans for Phase II Portal development. Those work plans were finalized in March, but there have been many changes in direction with all the SOTER coordination. At the January meeting, we talked about the need to revise our workplans to better track progress, and identify interim deliverables or milestones. LR has already met and will share their draft 2015 Workplan.</p> <p>We will get updates from the Attribute Section Leads:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Water: Erin Foresman/Stephanie Fong (10 minutes) 2. Living Resources: Shaun Philippart 3. Habitat: Kristal Davis Fadtke/Hildie Spautz 4. Ecological Processes: Hildie Spautz 5. Stewardship: Sam Safi and Kristal Davis Fadtke 	
Desired Outcome:	Information share and general direction from larger CEMW as needed.	
Contact	Stephanie Fong sfong@sfcwa.org	

Person:	
Attachment:	

Item	5	Approx. Time
Title of Topic:	Portal Look and Feel	50 min
Background:	We've spoken many times about possibly changing the look and feel of the Portal, but no one has brought examples to share until now. Kris provided a nice presentation style for us to consider. Please take a look at the web link below and feel free to bring any suggestions or examples to the meeting.	
Desired Outcome:	Brainstorming	
Contact Person:	Stephanie Fong sfong@sfcwa.org	
Attachments:	http://www.chesapeakebay.net/managementstrategies	

Item	6	Approx. Time
Title of Topic:	CEMW Business Review	5 min
Background:	<p>The recently released Triennial Audit Report calls on California government agencies and the legislature to provide dedicated funding and staff to sustain and grow the Monitoring Council's workgroup efforts in order to fully implement the Comprehensive Monitoring Program Strategy for California. The audit report commits the Monitoring Council and its workgroups to provide the legislature and agency secretaries with the details of what is needed, in the form of workgroup business plans, within one year. According to the Audit Report, these business plans will outline specific needs (staff positions, budgets, etc.) and will highlight existing departmental mandates that can be addressed more effectively through the Monitoring Council's collaborative workgroup processes, tools, and the My Water Quality web portals. The goal of these business plans it to get a precise handle on resource needs to meet current goals and to ensure sustainability into the future.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> At the March 11 CEMW meeting (Agenda Item 5), Kris Jones led a discussion regarding the formation of a subcommittee to develop the business plans. He plans to schedule the first subcommittee meeting in late May, and is still seeking additional participation in these efforts. 	
Desired Outcome:	Communication of timelines and expectations.	
Contact Person:	Kris Jones Kristopher.Jones@water.ca.gov	
Attachments:		

Item	7	Approx. Time
Title of Topic:	Facilitation	5 min
Background:	Stephanie has been facilitating the CEMW for over two years, and due to workload increases, cannot continue on in the same capacity. The CEMW will be asking for Chair or Co-Chair nominations. A formal call was made to the CEMW lyrics list with deadlines and expectations. An update will be provided.	
Desired Outcome:	Discussion and update	
Contact Person:	Stephanie Fong sfong@sfcwa.org Kris Jones Kristopher.Jones@water.ca.gov	
Attachments:		

Parking Lot: Items not addressed during this meeting, but should be brought back for discussion at a later date. This list is not prioritized.	
Title of Topic:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Performance measures • Climate change • Jellyfish in the zooplankton story • Other living resources (e.g., mammals, plants, etc) 	
Important Dates:	Likely Contact Person:
Update to the State of Science Report	Darcy Austin
SAIL (Salmon MAST) Report?	Matt/Rachel Johnson
Future IEP Newsletter?	Bill/Randy/?