



BAPPG Meeting
Wednesday April 5, 2017 10:00 am
Meeting Minutes

1. Introductions

2. Regional Board Announcements—James Parrish

- A. New Regional Water Board staffperson Patrick Karinja will be participating in BAPPG.
- B. Regional Water Board staff have not yet reviewed agencies P2 reports, but have requested that in the future, agencies summarize changes to their pollution prevention reports in their cover letters.

3. Steering Committee Update

- A. **Annual Reports** – The Steering Committee recommended to the General Committee that due to the high cost and amount of effort that goes into Annual Reports, the committee will return to only producing one per year, corresponding to the calendar year. Last year, BAPPG had also produced a fiscal year Annual Report. The Regional Water Board is willing to accept this approach, as it allows agencies to incorporate reports by reference in their Pollution Prevention Reports
- B. **Budget** – The BAPPG FY17 Budget is 91.5% spent. The Steering Committee recommended that any remaining outreach funds (currently \$2400 for consultants and \$2K for unplanned issues) be allocated for either pesticide support or website upgrades.
- C. **Succession** – In July 2017, Doug Dattawalker, USD, will take over as committee chair. Simret Yigzaw, San Jose, will be budget vice-chair, and Joanne Le, City of Richmond, will be reporting vice-chair.

4. Updates

- A. **CWEA** - P3S Conference was February 27-March 1 in Santa Rosa. The Palm Springs conference will be at the end of April.
- B. **Pesticides** – The Pesticides team had a call with EPA Office of Pesticides to see how the POTW community can help them recognize the water quality impacts of pesticide use, rather than being solely focused on human health impacts. The barriers are institutional: FIFRA does not require Clean Water Act implementation, and there is no Clean Water Act consideration built into the risk assessment framework. EPA staff reported that they wanted to hear from other parts of the country as well as the Bay Area, but urged BAPPG to continue to comment on pesticide risk assessments.
- B. **OWOW** – There was an April 26 meeting, in which Stephanie Hughes identified differences between her findings and information that appears in the OWOW fact sheets.
- C. **BACWA** - BACWA will hold a workshop on June 7 to update members on the results of the optimization/upgrade studies.

5. School Outreach Presentations

- A. Doug Dattawalker gave a [presentation](#) on USD's long-running school outreach program. He outlined the need to bring focused, age-appropriate messaging, as well as to tie in the lesson to the State's Next Generation Science Standards. He also discussed how best to approach school districts and teachers about providing the presentations.
- B. Jackie Davidson and Sara Cefalu provided a presentation on the City of Sunnyvale's outreach program. They focus on 5th grade and kindergarten, but have materials for all elementary grades. They are on track to reach More than 2,000 students this year. They performed a "fish bowl" demonstration that they use to show how pollution spreads in the Bay. Their outreach program links education and advocacy.

- C. Julie Weiss, of the City of Palo Alto, and Claire Elliott, of Grassroots Ecology, provided a [video](#) on Palo Alto's treatment system that that they show to schoolgroups, and a [presentation](#) on how their program meshes with curriculum in each grade.

6. Project Updates

- A. The Annual report is completed and [posted](#). The committee will move to one Annual Report per year, reflecting the calendar year.
- B. Committee members are meeting with the web consultant Computer Courage to update baywise.org.

7. Next meeting

BAPPG General Meeting

June 7, 2017: 10:00am-12:00pm

1515 Clay Street, Second Floor, Room 12

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