

## CSMW Meeting Conference Call December 6, 2007

- ❖ PM Report on Page 5
- ❖ Will invite Surfrider to the next CSMW meeting – and perhaps others
- ❖ Clif/Heather – put together a summary table of all ongoing Sediment Master Plan ongoing activities – put on website – MAJOR activities – one page guide that is hyperlinked to more in-depth discussion of activities. Include projected completion dates.
- ❖ October Meeting Minutes
  - BIA
    - Eric Stein and 2 folks from San Francisco District are reviewing Biological Impacts Report
    - Paul Michele to also look at the BIA? Do we want someone else from NOAA? Or someone from NOAA Fisheries – Clif will send info to Chris and then Chris will contact NOAA Fisheries (Bob Hoffmann)
    - Should we have someone from Fish and Game review? – Chris and Brian to follow-up with Becky Ota.
  - CBRReS- Project on hold until PPR Recommendations white Paper is finished.
  - Clif will need to provide revamped project descriptions based on his guidelines for revising overall approach to CSBAT
    - Heather to send CSBAT link to John Carotta, who will run through the tool to look for flaws based on guidance from USACE,
- ❖ RSM Plans
  - All are underway – Southern Monterey Bay is ahead of the other 2
  - Moffatt-Nichol presenting at SANDAG today (12/6)
  - BEACON – at the kickoff meeting, decided that Dave Revell will be added to the team
- ❖ References Database
  - Discussed screenshots of the database that John Carotta sent. Database will have regional sections reflecting the Coastal RSM Plan for that Region, a statewide section, and the list of GIS shapefiles available in CRSMIS,
  - Why did we not use an out of the box product rather than building a new database/product? (Mark Johnson)
    - for a number of reasons, Access was the recommended product through working with the RSM Plan consultants
- ❖ PPR – Recommendations White Paper
  - Clif reformulated the report after the last CSMW meeting to get the report moving and over a hump.
    - Revised the tiered section of the report into a thematic approach

- Addressed the remainder of CSMW comments
  - Thematic Approach focused on getting more sand to the coast and attracting federal funding
    - 1 - Effective governance at the state level
    - 2 - Changes at the federal level
    - 3 - Develop tools to educate and change governance of sediment-related issues
  - Analysis report will be available after Recommendations Paper is finalized and additional funding provided to consultant. Want to get the recommendations report nailed down and then complete the full report.
  - Detailed comments on Recommendations to Clif by 17 December
  - Comments on the thematic approach and layout to Clif by 11 December
  - Executive summary should indicate that recommendations under each theme are not prioritized
- ❖ Tijuana Estuary Demo Project
  - Clif, Megan and others held an environmental scoping meeting – went over USGS’ science plan
  - Finalizing support documents
  - Will sit down with Alan Ota (EPA) and Robert Smith (Corps) to get a better sense of their willingness to use the Study results when permitting future beach nourishment projects.
  - In order to get OPC funding, need to highlight the fact that this approach that will hopefully help help governance adapt to a science based approach in lieu of the 80/20 rule regarding suitability of beach nourishment source materials.
    - Megan– call Chris Blackburn regarding bringing in Amber Mace – OPC science advisor to discuss the Science Study.
  - Want to present to SANDAG and other public agencies
- ❖ Spatial Data Library
  - John has made numerous changes to address problems in the data layers contained within CRSMIS. These data quality improvements are awaiting insertion into the IMS.
- ❖ IMS
  - Will put a link on the CSMW website once it is up and running
  - CERES may host the IMS for at least 1 year (John working with Eric Kauffman). John will take over update activities once the server is up and running.
  - Will be updating data soon with John’s data quality improvements.
- ❖ Boating and Waterways
  - Department does not support moving the Beach Program out
- ❖ WRDA - PASSED
  - This is an authorization bill, not an appropriations bill
  - Federal Govt is still under a Continuing Resolution (we don’t have an approved budget)
  - Cut feasibility timeline from 4 years to 2 years

- RSM – requires development of RSM plans for O&M projects
- Section 227 (Ventura County) – program has been extended
- Imperial Beach – 50 year project, with 50/50 cost-sharing for renourishment
- Matilija Dam removal authorized
- LA County study authorizations – Ballona Creek tidegates, Nicholas Canyon, Dockweiler
- Senator Boxer is looking to have a WRDA in 2008
- ❖ Corps – LA District
  - Rindge Dam has funds to investigate removal. Greater than 200,000 yds<sup>3</sup> are potentially available, with CBR<sub>e</sub>S sites located nearby.
- ❖ Corps – SF District
  - Ocean Beach – coastal engineering modeling – language in funding bill to complete study
  - Humboldt – CD (Consistency Determination from Coastal Commission) that states there will be a demo study to place sediment on the beach – project is on the next Commission’s Agenda – recent issues raised regarding erosion in the bay – can the Corps do some things to help abate this erosion
- ❖ Chris will look for meeting place for February (BCDC????)

**NEXT MEETING**  
**February 21, 2008**  
**9:30 – 1:00**  
**San Francisco, CA**

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## **SMP PROJECT MANAGERS REPORT CSMW**

December 6, 2007

### **Coastal RSM Plans:**

1. PWA had presentation to Southern Monterey Bay Erosion Control Workgroup to present information and gather the Workgroup's input into Plan Development (2<sup>nd</sup> outreach presentation).
2. Moffat & Nichol making presentation to SANDAG's Shoreline Preservation Committee today to inform them about the Plan and gather their input (1<sup>st</sup> outreach presentation).
3. Noble and project team held kickoff meeting last month. We're working to bring David Revell (who will be starting with PWA in January) on board as a sub to Noble to add his expertise in the BEACON region to the project.

### **Coastal References Database**

1. John has developed an Access database allowing searches of our previously compiled coastal sediment references as well as those collected by each Coastal RSM team. References will be searchable by specific region and by key words. John will be the "gatekeeper" for the database- Coastal RSM PMs will provide compilations to him for incorporation. John sent email to CSMW with screenshots of the database.

### **PPR- Recommendations White Paper**

1. Everest a) added a new chapter reorganizing recommendations according to categories provided by CSMW, b) changed the Conclusion chapter to eliminate verbiage objected to by Brian and c) addressed ~75% of CSMW comments provided through track changes but almost none of the changes discussed in a conference call in November were incorporated. The Tiered chapter was pretty much left intact.
2. The report was therefore significantly edited to a) revise the Tiered section of the report into a Thematic approach to address concerns expressed by CSMW about the Tiers and retain Everest's overarching recommendations, and b) address the remainder of CSMW comments not addressed by Everest, including some provided recently. The report was emailed by Clif- the Executive Summary could facilitate discussion on the Report.

**Biological Impact Analysis Report** (aka Review of Biological Impacts Associated with Sediment Management and Protection of California Coastal Biota)

1. Members for the Corps, San Francisco are currently reviewing the report.
2. Eric Stein is also reviewing the report to provide SCCWRP perspective

**Tijuana Estuary Demonstration Project**

1. A project scoping meeting was held at the visitor's center to go over the Science Plan and related documents (e.g., draft Project Description, Sampling and Analysis Plan and Biological checklists) with regulatory and resource oversight staff; CCC, RWQCB 9, DFG, SLC, DPR, USEPA, NOAA, USFWS, and City of Imperial Beach personnel were involved.

**Spatial Data Library (CRSMIS)**

- 1- John has made significant progress on a) cleaning up the Spatial Library (i.e., removing duplicative files, archiving older versions of data layers) and b) incorporating a spatial component into the Coastal References Database as a means to identify available data layers.

**IMS**

1. The site is up and (sort of) running at the Corps' Mobile District – kinks are still being worked out.
2. In talks with Mobile to determine the workflow between them and John Carotta. Most recent plan is that John will post changes to Mobile's FTP site and they will incorporate the changes 1-2X per month.
3. The possibility of having the site hosted by CERES (for about a year) is being investigated. Chris is looking into whether Resources Agency can provide a small amount of funds to configure the server that DBW will buy for the project. CGS (John) would have complete and unfettered access to the server to make changes and improvement.

**Coastal Sediment Benefits Analysis Tool**

1. Just received the latest version – will be going over this and would like to demo at the next CSMW