

## MEETING NOTES

### Coastal Sediment Management Workgroup Conference Call

June 17, 2015

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#### ACTION ITEMS

- **Follow up with Steve Aceti on Coastal Symposium (Chris Potter)**
- **BIA Review Discussion Group. Volunteers to be confirmed: Brian Mulvey (Tom Kendall); Deanie Kennedy (Anne Sturm); Larry Smith (Susie Ming); CDFW (Chris Potter) and USGS (Chris Potter). Clif to organize meeting.**
- **Sediment Master Plan value engineering exercise – finish up drafts (Project team leaders identified)**
- **Put on agenda discussion of SF Coastline JPA/leadership (Chris Potter and Tom Kendall)**

#### Welcome, introductions, and announcements (Chris Potter)

##### OPC Meeting on July 29<sup>th</sup> in Sacramento

NOAA Grant- Coastal Resilience, Chris has been talking with Scripps on applying. Requesting that we provide project ideas, application deadline is July 24<sup>th</sup>; projects grants range \$500,000-1,000,000

CSBPA Meeting- in Pacifica - Chris to sent out meeting info to CSMW.

Coastal Future Conditions Workshop Shore Conditions, Processes, Vulnerability and Adaptation; June 22-23, 2015; Best Western Plus Lighthouse Hotel, Rockaway Beach, Pacifica, California

#### Recap: Coastal Symposium 15

Well attended by planners as well as scientists, management, law professionals, and community, including staff from local city planning department. Closed with an hour long brainstorming session on sea level rise, and request to establish a website for Q&A. Suggestions for meetings to be focused on issues instead of geographical boundaries in the future. Chris will follow up with Steve Aceti on follow-up and possible outcomes.

#### Discussion: Peer review of Biological Impacts Analysis (Clif Davenport and Chris Potter)

- **Outcome: form subcommittee to review peer review and provide recommendation to CSMW**

Ocean Science Trust completed peer review one month ago, would like their results reviewed, as they were not positive. Recommendations for revising and re-doing it are quite involved and large in scope. Chris recommended that we get together and evaluate what can and cannot do based on their suggestions. Much effort went into the document, is it possible to resurrect it?

Original intent of BIA was created in response to many questions that were raised early on in the process, what were general impacts of sediment management and minimization.

Suggestion of turning it into more of a how-to document, 80 pages, process and information based.

Ocean Science Trust's objective was to evaluate it for its scientific rigor.

Volunteers to look at the Peer Review report; aiming for September as a deadline to read the BIA report include: Lesley Ewing, Anne Sturm, Aaron McGregor (will be working for USACE in two weeks), Bill Brostoff and Brian Mulvey (Tom to confirm), Deanie Kennedy (Anne to confirm); Larry Smith (Susie to confirm). Chris to find a representative from CDFW to participate and determine if USGS has local biological expertise that we can tap into.

**Discussion: Status of Sediment Master Plan value engineering exercise (Susie Ming and Heather Schlosser)**

Susie/Anne is drafting her groups recommendations, Anne and Susie are working get their team members up to speed and organized. Hope to share the recommendations with everyone at the next meeting. How will these recommendations lead to something tangible? It is expected that action items will be identified for implementation for pilots, CAP projects, and other available project opportunities. RSM's may lead to larger projects and cover environmental and economic benefits.

Lesley asked if there was any possibility of looking outside of Goleta, perhaps Surfer's Beach? Mud Flats are an example of how CSM can be done cost effectively. Anne indicated that these are examples, some site-specific, but applicable in other areas. Other projects may hold more potential along the Coast; recommendations could be put together on other areas, in a manageable way. San Diego should have results and data that we can use.

Question of how we go from RSM Plans to implementation. Next cycle, FY18 or Work Plan, discussions should happen in January/February with the State Agencies, to ensure that coordination occurs and funding is forecasted. Possibly share old spreadsheets on budget items?

**Update: federal agencies**

- Army Corps, LA District (Susie Ming, Heather Schlosser)

Susie would like to get together to discuss, prepare a letter of intent (LOI). Would like to do something in the next few months, i.e., not wait too long. Question of how to fund CSMW in the future; Susie will organize a time to do this. Letter from the Governor takes 3 months or longer per Chris P.

Encinitas – Solana Beach Final Stat and Agency review is under way. End date is this Monday, June 22<sup>nd</sup>. Comments letters to go directly to HQUSACE.

Malibu is still suspended and contributed funds package under consideration with OMB, expected to take several months.

Pismo Beach has Project Partnership Agreement (PPA), signed last week; federal and non federal funds can now be requested (design-build with geotech work approach).

Broad Beach still has pending consultations (Section 106, 4041b).

- **Army Corps, SF District (Tom Kendal, John Dingler)**

**Tom: How would the group like to close out the final draft of the Santa Cruz RSM Plan? Final draft by the end of July, Brad will be working on this.**

**Momentum from local stakeholders on how to proceed.**

**Surfer's Beach appendix almost complete; estuary still needs to be addressed. A ten year permit was granted to the USACE to see what would happen overtime, placing rocks at this site is a temporary fix, and it cannot stay there. USACE project is not final.**

**Discussion of dredge material not being suitable as fill. City of Monterey dredged the Harbor and did their work outside of the jurisdiction. Perched beach created, can be used as excavated sand. Dredging and transporting materials causes the cost to go up, this example may be looked at and used at other sites that have similar restrictions; e.g., Pillar Pt. Harbor**

#### **Updates: state agencies**

- **Sediment Master Plan (Clif Davenport, Chris Potter)**

**Orange County Scope of Work with Noble and Chambers – meeting next week, June 24<sup>th</sup>. Clif may not be able to participate. Susie will participate.**

**Status on contract for funds ABAG – Chris –Initiating discussion with SPUR on how to cobble together a useful governance approach. ABAG will not be the JPA. Initial draft RSM plan didn't have much of a governance section – included different levels sophistication to coastal erosion/issues – MOU different cities might be a effectively move forward. Explore that concept.**

**ACTION - put on agenda for next meeting – Chris and Tom to discuss further**

- **Coastal Commission (Lesley Ewing)**

**Sea Level Rise guidance out again – presentation at July Coastal Commission (CCC) hearing. All info on the Commission's website to include responses to comments. At least two webinars for comments– June 26<sup>th</sup>. July 7<sup>th</sup> 2 PM to 3 PM. Email should be going out today. In addition, hope to have a listening session at the July hearing. Any written comments are to be received by July 10, 2015. Revised document and look to adopt at august hearing. Later CCC meetings will have training on how to use guidance.**

**Oil Spill – Santa Barbara – beach issues. Little is known how to clean cobble. Cultural resource area – clean up done in minimally evasive way. Beach should be open later this month for public use and are currently closed by state parks.**

**CCC - Newport Beach project 75,000 dredged by harbor and placed on beach and includes eel grass plan.**

**Surfers Beach project – harbor interested –Caltrans?**

**Broad Beach – moving forward with application in again. Renewed interest by project proponent. Susie to let Bonnie Rogers know that Lesley is available to discuss. Coastal development permit application has not been filed yet with the CCC so no time constraints yet. There is a 180 day**

period after it's been filed. The USACE, LA District in the midst of completing an environmental review.

## **Updates: NGOs**

- **CMANC, CalCoast**

**Jim – interviewed by OPC for state tidelands trustees implementation sooner than state law required. CMANC requesting that they wait until CCC guidance of sea level rise guidance is finalized and wait for local agencies grants from CCC or OPC. Models that people can be used. Lesley – sooner that state laws required only if they took funds from grant. They wanted everybody to provide reports now.**

## **Confirm date, location, and agenda for future meetings**

**Next meeting is in person in July. Date to still be decided. Either July 21 or 22<sup>nd</sup> – late afternoon that blends with evening for send off for George Domurat retirement. Once date is confirmed, send out info to folks. Chris to confirm on date/location with Brian Baird. Possible location is Pier 39 aquarium.**

**Next meeting to include presentation from Joe Carlin from Cal State Fullerton and Elkhorn Slough, and update on Value Engineering and discuss governance issue for SF Coastline.**

- **CSBPA on 6/22-24 (Chris Potter)**

## **11:00 Adjourn**

## **Attendees**

- Anne Sturm
- Chris Potter
- Clif Davenport
- James Zoulas
- Jim Haussener
- Jon Warwick
- Lesley Ewing
- Marriah Abellera
- Megan Whalen
- Susie Ming
- Tom Kendall