



CSMW Meeting Minutes
22 June 2011
9:30 AM – 11:30 AM
Conference Call

STILL PENDING:

- ✓ **Chris** – Will reconvene the PPR sub-committee to discuss the RSM Top Ten Recommendations. Will be in June after H2O ONGOING – Will convene once CSMW public meeting agenda is more fully developed.
- ✓ **Susie/Heather** – Will reconvene the Corps' PPR sub-committee to discuss Federal actions. ONGOING – will following the general sub-committee meeting
- ✓ **Nate** – Check on progress of posting of JALBTCX LIDAR data to NOAA website so others can access. STILL PENDING
- ✓ **Nate** – Conversion of USACE reference database for incorporation into CSMW's searchable Access Database. ONGOING – will provide update at next meeting.
- ✓ **Chris** – Add new agenda item for July meeting to have a discussion on disposal methodology (running into problems with disposal, particularly in the North Coast area) – Chris will add to July agenda
- ✓ **SPN (Peter Mull) and SPL (Mo Chang)** to provide Kim with dredging spreadsheet – Still PENDING – Heather to follow-up – Jim will send CMANC Spreadsheet to Heather with House numbers.
- ✓ **Brad or Phil King** Give a presentation on the economic analysis of the Southern Monterey Bay study – STILL PENDING – Will be placed on July agenda.
- ✓ **Chris** – Follow-up with SWRCB regarding classification of clean sediments as pollutants in CA – Email exchange with George and Eric – will revisit in the Fall with a presentation, Eric will give a presentation at the upcoming ASCE Coastal Conference ONGOING
- ✓ **Chris** – will make contact with the PIER group – Chris made contact and scheduled meeting. STILL PENDING
- ✓ **Susie/Heather** – talk with SPL Regulatory
 - Coordinate with the DMMT and SMMO – can we get more involved?
 - DMMT is concerned with the timeframe that they hear about Corps projects (too close to project time).
 - All projects (including Corps projects) must go through the DMMO, but that is not true with the DMMT.
 - Brian Ross thinks SPL Navigation needs to work more closely with SPL Regulatory
 - DMMT Meetings held at same time as CSMW Meetings.
- ✓ **Chris** – Looking into options to keep Brad Damitz involved in Monterey Bay Study
- ✓ **George Nichol** will look into the Noyo issue of inert vs. designated waste – PENDING.



COMPLETED ITEMS:

- ✓ **Heather** – Finalize and obtain hard copies of SMP Brochure for Outreach efforts. Completed and placed on CSMW Website soon.
- ✓ **ALL** – Provide comments on “NOAA’s Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary – Background Document and Status Update” to Brad Damitz by May 6th.

NEW ACTION ITEMS:

- ✓ **Jim** will send George additional information into the Noyo ruling.
 - ✓ **Chris** will follow up with George on West Coast RSM.
 - ✓ **Heather** will acquire list of RSM Studies that have received and obligated CAP 204 funds.
 - ✓ **Nate** contact Clif to confirm the status of Coastal Armoring Layer on Webmapper
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❖ **Welcome & Introductions – Chris Potter**

❖ **Review of Meeting Minutes from 4/27/11 – Nate West**

- Meeting Minutes Approved

❖ **Discussion: West Coast RSM Federal Funding Authority Concept – Tom Kendall, SF District & Kim Sterrett, DBAW**

- BEACON asked for funding from DBAW to investigate the need for a California (or West Coast) RSM Authority for faster sand management decisions and opportunities
 - DBAW hasn’t received clear enough problem description for resolution or obligation of money from the State side and proposal is still under consideration.
 - BEACON’s proposal asked for an assessment of Federal legislative authorizations, possible options for drafting WRDA amendment language, and legislative outreach activities.
 - Current Corps RSM Authorities: Section 2037 and CAP 204
 - 204 amended by 2037
 - Allow for RSM in Navigation, Flood Protection, and other Civil Works Projects
 - Limited to Federal Civil Works Projects only
 - 2037 has a \$5 M per project limit
 - Prado Dam 204 RSM Issue
 - HQ asked if material behind Dam needed to be dredged. If not, RSM Auth. cannot be used.
 - Incremental Costs vs. Benefits are needed for justification under Federal Authorities. Projects compete Nationally for funding.
 - House Report issued today denying funding for CAP.
 - \$30 M CAP Program National limit per FY.
 - We could either ask for increased National limit or a CA-specific Authority
 - Both would require a time investment in process requirements



- Corps' led RSM Plans must be part of a Civil Works Study/Project.
 - Exception is the CA Sediment Master Plan, which allows for RSM throughout the entire State, as it is a state-wide Civil Works Study.
- Oregon and Washington recommended as pilot States for this under WCGA.
 - Can we combine efforts under Master Plan and WCGA and request support for a regional West Coast RSM Authority from the West Coast Governor's Agreement on Ocean Health?
 - A regional authority for the entire West Coast could solve problem, however, a broader regional authority could command so much money that it may be more effective to simply increase the National Program funding limit.
- CMANC notes an inventory list of dredging projects being prepared for the West Coast could spearhead RSM funds for specific regions.
- Past \$100M Construction Rescission was talked of being applied to CAP RSM Program.
 - Past unspent CAP \$ were sent to Corps projects in need of funds.
- Does this problem need Legislative Action or Corps Administrative action?
 - Maybe SPD (George) could discuss creating an RSM Program for the state?
 - Let's also discuss where Appropriated and Obligated funds have gone under the 204 Program – Navigation Business of Corps (Jim Walker) could address.
 - Corps cannot lobby Congress on behalf of localities/entities or create new authorities themselves, but can document effectiveness of current programs and report to OMB and ASA.
- Corps could create system-wide budgets that allow more flexibility to transfer funds between projects to better take advantage of RSM opportunities. This would appear to require an act of Congress to change reprogramming rules.

❖ **Recap: West Coast Governor's Agreement Workshop in Seattle, WA June 1-2 – Jim Haussener, CMANC & Sarah Flores,**

- Discussed status of CSMPlans and efforts to date
- Chairs expressed need for more funds
- Attendees stated need for more information on ongoing activities and ability for greater comment and feedback.
- Disconnect between Executive Committee and Action Teams. Better communication needed for Workplan development.
- 4 New WCGA Fellows to help with Work Plans and provide feedback
- Dredging Issues in Harbors
 - Seeing how these Harbors could be tied into environmental and LID-related efforts to address sediment management issues.
- National Ocean Council
 - Released outlines for National Ocean Policy based on 9 Strategic Action Plans and are seeking input (30 day period). CA Session at Hilton Union



Square in SF on June 30. Please provide comments to Sarah if you can't attend.

- NRC preparing FY13 Budget CSMP, Public Outreach, and Action Plans 3 highest priority
- WCGA to publish accomplishments on websites with links to RSM efforts hopefully (i.e. CSMW Website).
- Could list be sent to group of Action Items from the ACT team?
 - Sarah will send to Chris.
- ACT Process

They are modifying work plans but there is not a difficult process to go through Executive Committee to gain approval.

❖ **Updates: Army Corps Projects**

Los Angeles District – Heather Schlosser & Nate West

- GIS User's Survey
 - Shoreline Armoring Layer should be added to Webmapper for the Coastal Commission's request.
 - Chris has contacted CERES to help update Webmapper at no cost
 - Draft Final report is expected 6/22
- Biological Impacts Analysis
 - Resource Protection Guidelines and User's Guide is expected 6/22
 - Draft Report by July 11th and Final Report end of next month (after sufficient review).
 - Will be sent to entire CSMW Group and Workshop Attendees for review.
 - SLR not addressed in detail in the Report.
- Pismo Beach CAP 103 Study
 - Recommended Plan (seawall) was denied by the Coastal Commission
 - District and Pismo Beach are working with Commission staff to look for an acceptable alternative
- Morro Bay being dredged right now
- Solana/Encinitas Alternative Formulation Briefing (AFB) upcoming.
- San Clemente
 - Public Review starting next month and Chief's Report hopefully by end of the year.
 - Lesson from SANDAG – surf monitoring and surfgrass/kelp issues should be addressed.

San Francisco District – John Dingler & Tom Kendall

- Elkhorn Slough RSM Meeting Held
 - Estuary Restoration Authority managing sediment within Harbor
 - Concern is sediment testing
 - Sediment from maintenance activities in Pajaro River may be placed in Elkhorn Slough



- Northern Half Moon Bay (aka Surfer's Beach)
 - Public Meeting San Mateo County sponsored with Corps.
 - Study in Feasibility Phase
- Ocean Beach
 - Trying to economically justify (with storm damage reduction and recreation) onshore pumping of sand (near dunes) rather than nearshore disposal
 - Snowy Plover habitat is a concern moving forward.
 - FWS should be involved
 - This is a one-time effort and outputs may not be sufficient to justify
- Bolinas Lagoon
 - Sponsor withdrew from GI Study, which is being terminated
 - Estuary Restoration Act project underway @ Kent Island
 - Other opportunities to be pursued with Section 206
 - Corps trying to help the sponsor retain NOAA tide gauge installed as part of GI study
- Humboldt
 - 3rd Public Mtg held that garnered greater input/response
 - Moffatt Nichol preparing RSM Report
 - Env. Document could benefit RSMP
- Crescent City dredging concluded

National Shoreline Management Study – Rachel Grandpre

- No update

❖ **State Agency Updates**

Department of Boating and Waterways (DBAW) – Kim Sterrett

- Imperial Beach funding for SANDAG nourishment cleared through Dept. of Finance.
 - Funding had a 2-yr lifetime
 - Will allow for much greater volume of sediment to be placed than through Corps placement

State Water Resources Control Board – George Nichol

- Crescent City/Noyo Harbor
 - Eric Berntsen talked with Brian Ross (EPA) regarding sediment classification by Regional Board
 - Brian sent sampling Analysis Plan to SWRCB
 - Waiting on results to classify disposal as either inert or designated waste to then determine disposal location.
 - George and Eric asked State Board Mgmnt what CSMW's role was in process
- Sediment Monitoring in SF Bay



- Patrick Barnard (USGS) identifying sediment source influx to Bay through Delft 3D, work is ongoing.
- Classification of Clean Sediments in CA
 - Eric likely to present at upcoming CSMW Meeting

CSMW/WCGA Workshop in Portland May 9-10 – Chris Potter

- 70 Attendees including consulting firms, Port of Portland, Portland State, USACE, and others
- Biggest regional RSM Effort is Columbia River RSMP
- CA is further ahead in RSM Implementation than Oregon

CalCoast – SANDAG CDP Application before the Coastal Commission on 6/15/11 – Steve Aceti

- H2O Conference
 - Best attended to date
 - Next year's conference will be same week at Catamaran Hotel
 - Ppoints posted to website
- CDP Application
 - CDP application was approved with conditions by the Commission on June 15th. Agreement was worked out between SANDAG and the Commission.
 - Final language of agreement isn't available yet. (Chris will notify everyone when it is.)
 - The Commission staff may draft revised findings. If so, they will have to be approved by the Commission at a future meeting
 - DFG Website states where runs will take place
 - No locations part of RBSP11 nor North County region
 - SANDAG hopes work could continue under conditions Grunion is present
- Polystyrene Ban passed Senate by close vote last week. Vote taking place in House today. If not passed today, it will be denied back in Senate.

❖ Other Agency Updates, New Business, and Announcements

- Tijuana Sediment Analysis Study Update hopefully for next meeting
- CEMEX Discussion at next meeting
- Send agenda items to Chris.

Adjourn 11:30 AM

NEXT MEETING/WORKSHOP

July 27th

BCDC Offices

San Francisco, CA

9:30 AM – 1:00 PM



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