

STORMWATER COMMITTEE
Regular Meeting
Thursday, October 21, 2021
2:30 p.m.

Meeting Minutes

The Stormwater Committee met remotely via Zoom, per C/CAG's shelter-in-place policy and consistent with state and county directives to manage COVID-19. Attendance at the meeting is shown on the attached. In addition to the Committee members, also in attendance were Reid Bogert (C/CAG staff), Sean Charpentier (C/CAG Executive Director), Len Materman (CEO OneShoreline), Makena Wong (OneShoreline), Colin Martorana (OneShoreline), Jay Davis (San Francisco Estuary Institute), Ray Towne (City of Foster City), Jennifer Lee (City of Burlingame), Susan Wright (County of San Mateo), John Allan (County of San Mateo), Ray Donguines (City of Pacifica), Nick Zigler (CSG/Towne of Colma), Ahmad Haya (City of Redwood City), Robert Wood (City of San Bruno), Merrill Taylor (Craftwater Engineering), Jon Konnan (EOA), Darren Choy (RRM), and Suzi Senna (SGA Marketing). Chair Breault called the meeting to order at 2:30 p.m. Note that Chair Breault asked that ACTION Items 9 and 10 be presented after Item 6 to ensure the ACTION items were covered in time.

1. Call to Order, Roll Call, and overview of teleconference meeting procedures.

2. Public comment: None

3. INFORMATION – Stormwater Issues from October C/CAG Board Meeting: Received 2021 CASQA Awards presentation on San Mateo Countywide Sustainable Streets Master Plan and Flows To Bay website; and received presentation on MRP 3.0 Tentative Order and summary from October 12 and 13 Regional Water Board hearings

4. ACTION – Approval of the draft minutes from the August 19 and September 16, 2021, Stormwater Committee meeting, as drafted. Motion: Member Murtuza; Second: Member Rose. Approved (15:0:1), Member Donohue abstained.

5. INFORMATION – Received announcements on stormwater issues:

Staff provided information on several stormwater issues, including Annual Report submittals, developments with the SMCWPPP Old Industrial Land Use Workgroup, and meeting with Regional Water Board staff, program representatives, and permittee representatives on Regional Projects with respect to proposed MRP 3.0 green infrastructure requirements.

6. INFORMATION – Received a presentation on OneShoreline priorities and updates, as well as a summary of the Grand Jury Report "San Mateo County: California's Ground Zero for Sea Level Rise." CEO, Len Materman, presented project updates and other priorities for 2021-22, including advancing a funding initiative in partnership with the County, which is being proposed to include funding to address sea level rise, flooding, and wildfire impacts in the county. Committee members engaged in discussion about the role of the District in supporting regional stormwater capture projects related to Civil Grand Jury Report, which focuses on sea level rise, flooding and coastal erosion.

7. INFORMATION – Received presentation from San Francisco Estuary Institute, Regional Monitoring

Program staff, Dr. Jay Davis, regarding the “health of the bay” from a bay monitoring perspective. The focus of the presentation was on ongoing fish tissue monitoring of legacy pollutants, including polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs) and mercury, and the related stormwater and ambient bay monitoring efforts.

8. INFORMATION – Due to time constraints, the Committee received a brief summary of plan for finalizing SMCWPPP program comment letter package (including the cover letter and three attachments) to the Regional Water Board on the Tentative Order of MRP 3.0 by the November 16 deadline. Staff were directed to provide an in-depth summary of proposed high priority requirements under MRP 3.0 and program responses, as detailed in the draft comment matrix, at the scheduled November 4 Special Meeting of the Committee.

9. ACTION – Approval of recommended list of eight site visits for advancing design concepts for regional multi-benefit stormwater capture project opportunities and Final Advancing Regional Stormwater Capture Projects Opportunities Analysis Memo. Committee members made a motion for a provisional approval of the site list (note Chair’s correction that there were eight (8) recommended sites, not ten (10) as indicated in the staff report), conditional on remaining comments on the Opportunities Analysis Memo from program consultant staff at EOA (Eisenberg, Olivieri & Associates) and any potential modifications to the analysis and/or recommended sites. Motion: Member Murtuza; Second: Member Mitch. Approved unanimously (16:0:0).

10. ACTION – Approval of recommendation that the C/CAG Board of Directors approve entering into an agreement with the Global Philanthropy Partnership specifying C/CAG as the “project lead” on developing the Climate Resilience Resources Guide: Part I. Motion: Member Ovadia; Second: Member Brown. Approved unanimously (16:0:0).

11. Regional Board Report: None.

12. Executive Director’s Report: Executive Director, Sean Charpentier, reported that the C/CAG Board approved a resolution authorizing findings in support of ongoing remote meetings per AB 361; however, the Committee will need to make findings at the next Stormwater Committee due to the next Board meeting being scheduled for November 18, which is the same day as the next Stormwater Committee and beyond thirty (30) days since the last approved resolution by the Board. Charpentier also thanked agency staff for providing testimony at the Oct 12 and 13 Regional Water Board hearings on the Tentative Order of the MRP.

13. Member Reports: None.

14. Chair Breault adjourned the meeting at 4:01 p.m.