



**July 14, 2025**  
**AGENDA**  
**Monthly Members Meeting**  
**1:30 - 3:00 pm**

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1:30	<b>1. INTRODUCTIONS</b>	All
1:35	<b>2. ADMIN UPDATES / DISCUSSION</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• BCDC Presentation on the RSAP Recap: <a href="#"><u>Advancing Local Adaptation Through the Regional Shoreline Adaptation Plan</u></a></li> <li>• <b>TH 9/25 11 AM</b> Next BAFPA Water Board Meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Permit Streamlining</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Other</li> </ul>	Sara Duckler
1:55	<b>3. TREASURER’S REPORT</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Checking \$76,693.51; Savings: \$147,529.28; Includes \$92,446 CHARG funds</li> </ul>	Katie Muller
2:00	<b>4. COMMITTEE UPDATES AND REPORTS ON OTHER GROUPS (as needed)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority Grant</b> (Tess Byler) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <a href="#">SFBRA Grant Opportunity</a> Link</li> <li>○ <b>F 7/18 SFBRA</b> Grant Informational Webinar</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>AQPI Conference</b> (Mark Boucher, Carlos Dias)</li> <li>• <b>Environmental Permitting Committee</b> (Elke Rank) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <b>W 8/6 11AM</b> Next Environmental Permitting Meeting</li> <li>○ Call for Programmatic Habitat Mitigation Plans for Capital Improvement Projects (Judd Goodman)</li> <li>○ Call for Stormwater Incentives (Elke Rank)</li> <li>○ San Francisco Estuary Partnership (SFEP) Implementation Committee (Tess Byler)</li> <li>○ CEQA Updates: <a href="#">ESA Newsletter Summary on CEQA Updates</a></li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>USACE</b> (Tami Church) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <b>F 7/18 Comments DUE</b> on <a href="#">USACE Nationwide Permit 27 Proposed Revisions (90 Fed. Reg. 2600)</a>; <a href="#">Summary of Proposed Changes</a></li> <li>○ Silver Jackets</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <a href="#"><u>BCDC Action Plan to Advance Wetland Restoration through Beneficial Reuse of Sediment and Soil</u></a></li> </ul>	As Noted
2:30	<b>5. UPCOMING MONTHLY MEMBERS MEETING TOPICS</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• AQPI</li> <li>• <a href="#">Beavers and Flood Control</a></li> <li>• Call for topics</li> </ul>	Sara Duckler
2:35	<b>6. M 10/6 ANNUAL MEETING TOPIC PLANNING FORUM</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>OPTION 1: Environmental Permitting</b> Explore best practices, programmatic permits, and related topics.</li> <li>• <b>Option 2: Nature-based engineering solutions in urban settings</b> Regulators are encouraging “greener” touches for bank repairs, deposition removals, capacity enhancements. <i>Which topic is your preference to explore?</i> <i>What would you like to learn?</i> <i>Do you have anything to share on these topics?</i> <i>Who might be a great panelist for these topics?</i></li> </ul>	Sara Duckler
2:58	<b>7. ADJOURN</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>M 8/11 1:30PM</b> Next Meeting</li> </ul>	Sara Duckler



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Summary and Action Items  
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## **0. ATTENDEES**

- Sara Duckler, Vice Chair (Meeting Host in lieu of Antonella Gentile, Chair)
- Judd Goodman, Vice Chair
- Katie Muller, Treasurer
- Gretchen E. Hayes, BAFPAA Coordinator
- 19 Additional Attendees representing Contra Costa County, Zone 7 Water Agency, Valley Water, Santa Cruz, San Francisquito Creek JPA, Marin County, Sonoma Water, Petaluma, Vallejo, and Pajaro Regional Flood Management Agency.

## **1. INTRODUCTIONS**

- Sara Duckler chaired the meeting in the Chair's absence.

## **2. ADMIN UPDATES**

- **BCDC Presentation on the RSAP Recap: Advancing Local Adaptation Through the Regional Shoreline Adaptation Plan**
  - BCDC will review all coastal agency plans per the Regional Shoreline Adaptation Plan, with ongoing support through office hours and grants.
- **TH 9/25 11 AM Next BAFPAA Water Board Meeting**
  - Permit Streamlining

## **3. TREASURER'S REPORT**

- Katie Muller confirmed that member agencies received fiscal year 2025-26 Invoices; Payment due within 30 days of receipt.
- Checking \$76,693.51; Savings: \$147,529.28; Includes \$92,446 CHARG funds

## **4. COMMITTEE UPDATES AND REPORTS ON OTHER GROUPS**

- **San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority Grant** (Tess Byler)
  - [SFBRA Grant Opportunity](#) Link
  - **F 7/18 SFBRA** Grant Informational Webinar
  - **GRANT DUE M 10/6** Tess Byler announced new funding round for multi-purpose projects; informational webinar available.
- **AQPI Conference** (Mark Boucher, Carlos Dias)
  - Mark Boucher, Carlos Diaz, and Roger attended the AQPI Conference, emphasizing the importance of regional radar data in flood forecasting.
  - National Weather Service expressed interest in ingesting regional radar data into their systems.
  - **M 8/11 1:30PM** AQPI Presentation to be given by Mark Boucher
- **Environmental Permitting Committee** (Elke Rank)
  - **W 8/6 11AM** Next Quarterly Environmental Permitting Meeting
  - Call for Programmatic Habitat Mitigation Plans for Capital Improvement Projects (Judd Goodman)
  - Call for Stormwater Incentives (Elke Rank)

- San Francisco Estuary Partnership (SFEP) Implementation Committee (Tess Byler)
- CEQA Updates: [ESA Newsletter Summary on CEQA Updates](#)
- **USACE (Tami Church)**
  - **W 8/27-TH 8/28 VIRTUAL 9AM-1PM Levy Owners Workshop**  
Register: <https://forms.osi.apps.mil/r/cLPiyNPhdi> ; or Email [manya.singh@usace.army.mil](mailto:manya.singh@usace.army.mil)
    - Tips on preparing for flood season, including how to request levee repair and recovery assistance from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and others
    - How the Corps conducts levee inspections and risk assessments
    - Updates on the National Levee Safety Program
    - Technical assistance and other resources available to help you with flood risk management planning
    - Perspectives from your Peer Organizations on their most pressing challenges managing levee systems and uncertainty
  - **F 7/18 COMMENTS DUE** Nationwide Permit 27
    - [USACE Nationwide Permit 27 Proposed Revisions \(90 Fed. Reg. 2600\)](#);
    - [Summary of Proposed Changes](#) (Brian Cluer, NOAA Fluvial Geomorphologist, Retired)
  - Silver Jackets (No update)
- **[BCDC Action Plan to Advance Wetland Restoration through Beneficial Reuse of Sediment and Soil](#)**
  - The BCDC Sediment Beneficial Reuse Action Plan underscores collaboration with BAFPA for flood protection programming, facing cost and permitting challenges.
  - BCDC Action Plan for beneficial reuse of sediment includes coordination with BAFPA as first action item for flood protection programming.
  - Roger Leventhal noted challenges with cost and permitting for fluvial sediment compared to dredged material, with limited willingness for offset mitigation credits.
  - TH 7/17 LTMS meeting presentation by Roger Leventhal on this topic scheduled for Thursday.

## 5. UPCOMING MONTHLY MEMBERS MEETING TOPICS

- **M 8/11 1:30PM** AQPI Presentation (Mark Boucher)
- [Beavers and Flood Control](#) (OAEC.org)
  - Beaver management strategies discussed
  - Gretchen Hayes attended Bay Nature webinar on beaver co-management strategies and reintroduction for flood attenuation and groundwater recharge.
  - Brian from Valley Water mentioned analysis showing beaver dams have minimal flood control impact when providing greater than 10-year protection level.
  - Fuels to flows campaign by Occidental Arts and Ecology Center discussed for biomass management and flow reduction.
  - Tammy identified connection between beavers and Nationwide Permit 27 for fluvial to wetland conversion.
- [Wildfire Fuels to Flows](#) (OAEC.org)

## 6. ANNUAL MEETING TOPIC PLANNING FORUM

- The **M 10/6** Annual Meeting will feature panels on sediment beneficial reuse and urban nature-based engineering solutions, with Roger Leventhal and Katie Muller leading respectively.
- Potential for up to 5 CFM credits for certified floodplain managers.
- Sediment Reuse, Roger Leventhal Chair
- Nature Based Solution Examples, Katie Muller Chair
  - Valley Water provided insights on various urban restoration projects, including challenges faced in constrained flood control settings.
  - Discussion of regulatory challenges requiring softer measures in highly constrained urban flood control settings.

## **ACTION ITEMS**

### **Antonella Gentile**

- **TH 9/25 11AM** Coordinate with Elke Rank on next Water Board quarterly meeting agenda and topics

### **Elke Rank**

- **TH 9/25 11AM** Coordinate with Antonella Gentile on next Water Board quarterly meeting agenda and topics
- **W 8/6 11AM** Facilitate Environmental Permitting Committee meeting

### **Gretchen Hayes**

- Update links in Agenda
- Forward USACE Levee Owners Workshop email to BAFPA membership
- Add AQPI presentation and beaver management topics to upcoming meeting topics list
- Research Occidental Arts and Ecology Center presentation on beaver management for future BAFPAA meeting

### **Katie Muller**

- Follow up on fiscal year 2025-26 dues collection from member agencies
- Champion nature-based engineering solutions in urban settings panel for Annual Meeting

### **Mark Boucher**

- **M 8/11 1:30PM** Present AQPI conference presentation at Monthly Meeting (15-20 minute presentation)

### **Roger Leventhal**

- Determine if LTMS meetings are open to BAFPAA members

### **Sara Duckler**

- Support Katie Muller in developing Annual Meeting panel on urban nature-based solutions

### **Tami Church, USACE**

- Forward USACE Levy Owners Workshop registration email to Gretchen for distribution
- Coordinate with regulatory folks on beaver-related Nationwide Permit 27 discussion for potential forthcoming meeting inclusion