



**June 9, 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>• <b>Annual Meeting and Fieldtrips: Monday, October 6, 8:30 AM, Martinez</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Call for topics, panels, and champions (Sara Duckler, Elke Rank)</li> <li>○ Lower Walnut Creek Afternoon Field Tour (Paul Detjens)</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Environmental Planning Committee Meeting, Wednesday, August 6, 11AM</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Call for Permitting challenges (Claudia Gemberling)</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Habitat Mitigation Plans for Capital Improvement Projects</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Call for Mitigation Plans (Judd Goodman)</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Water Board Meeting: Thursday, June 26, 11AM</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Christina Toms to present on Butano Creek</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Other</b></li> </ul>	Antonella Gentile
1:55	<b>3. BCDC Presentation on the RSAP:</b> <u><b>Advancing Local Adaptation Through the Regional Shoreline Adaptation Plan</b></u> Dana Brechwald, Assistant Planning Director for Climate Adaptation at the San Francisco Bay Conservation and Development Commission (BCDC), will provide an overview of what local governments along the Bay shoreline are required to do to meet new state law, SB272. BCDC’s Regional Shoreline Adaptation Plan (RSAP), adopted in December 2024, contains Guidelines for how to create local Plans. Dana will highlight the responsibilities of local governments and stakeholders in adaptation, provide a brief overview of Plan requirements and minimum standards, and share BCDC’s role to support local governments to meet this challenge. Dana will also share the new tools and resources BCDC is launching this summer to support local planning efforts.	Dana Brechwald, BCDC Assistant Planning Director for Climate Adaptation
2:25	<b>4. Governor’s Executive Order on Wildfire Resilience:</b> <u><b>Fast-Tracking Wildfire Safety Projects &amp; Expanding Beneficial Fire</b></u> <a href="https://www.wildfiretaskforce.org">https://www.wildfiretaskforce.org</a>	Brian Mendenhall, Santa Clara Valley Water
2:35	<b>5. Committee Updates and Reports on Other Groups (as needed)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Environmental Permitting Committee (Elke Rank, Claudia Gemberling)</li> <li>• San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority (Paul Detjens)</li> <li>• San Francisco Estuary Partnership (SFEP) Implementation Committee (Tess Byler)</li> <li>• Advanced Quantitative Precipitation Information (AQPI) (Mark Boucher)</li> <li>• USACE Silver Jackets (Tami Church)</li> </ul>	As Noted

2:45	<b>6. Upcoming Membership Meeting Topics</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Habitat Mitigation Plans for Capital Improvement Projects</li> <li>• USGS Presentation</li> <li>• Other topics?</li> </ul>	Antonella Gentile
2:53	<b>7. Treasurer's Report</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Balances: Checking \$93,671.76 Savings \$147,474.13</li> <li>• (Includes \$92,446.00 CHARG funds)</li> </ul>	Katie Muller
2:58	<b>8. Adjourn</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Next Meeting July 14, 2025 at 1:30PM</li> </ul>	Antonella Gentile



June 9, 2025  
Summary and Action Items  
Monthly Members Meeting  
1:30 - 3:00 pm

## 0. ATTENDEES

- Antonella Gentile, Chair
- Sara Duckler, Vice Chair
- Judd Goodman, Vice Chair
- Katie Muller, Treasurer
- Gretchen E. Hayes, BAFCAA Coordinator
- Members

## 1. INTRODUCTIONS

## 2. ADMIN UPDATES

- **Water Board Meeting**  
**Thursday, June 26: 11AM Online**
  - **ALL:** Email Gretchen to be added to the RWQCB Meeting invite list
  - Christina Toms to present on Butano Creek
- **General Meeting**  
**Monday, July 14: 1:30PM Online**
- **Environmental Permitting Committee**  
**Wednesday, August 6: 11AM Online**
  - **ALL:** Email Gretchen to request an invite to the Environmental Permitting Committee meetings
  - **ALL: Due 6/30:** Call to submit your project permitting challenges to Claudia Gemberling
  - **Current issues and requests**
    - A year or more advance notice requested for expected requirement changes to five-year WDR/401 Certifications for Stream Maintenance with an opportunity to with the RWQCB prior to adoption. (Sonoma Water)
    - Permitting timeline schedule regularity (Contra Costa, Alameda)
    - Mitigation requirement consistency for project forecasting
- **Annual Meeting and Fieldtrips**  
**Monday, October 6, 8:30 AM – 3 PM, Martinez**
  - **ALL: Due 6/30 for 7/14 Mtg:** Call for Annual Meeting topics, panels, and champions to Sara Duckler, Elke Rank, and Gretchen Hayes.
  - **GRETCHEN:** Send Save the Date to membership and agency representatives to attend
  - **SEE ATTACHED SUGGESTED TOPIC LIST**

**Current topic champion offers**

  - Streamlining Project Planning and Permitting: Environmental Permits, Timelines, and Mitigation Requirements (Claudia Gemberling)
  - Fish Passage Projects (Kurt Lueneburger, Santa Clara Valley Water)

- Climate change, SLR, storm intensity standards for coastal and riverine hydraulics in the Bay Area (Tim Jenson, Contra Costa)
- How to Create a comprehensive watershed plan, with recent examples from California (Tim Jenson, Contra Costa)
- Beneficial Reuse of Sediment in the Bay Area (Roger Leventhal, Marin)
- Lower Walnut Creek Pacheco Marsh Afternoon Field Tour (Paul Detjens)

#### Related Articles

- Valley Water News: [Valley Water receives award for fish habitat project in South County](#)
  - Bay Nature: [A Ramble Around Pacheco Marsh, and a New Paddle Spot](#)
  - Bay Nature: [Flood Control 2.0: Scientists look to the zone where creeks meet the Bay to guide our response to extreme storms and sea level rise](#)
- **Habitat Mitigation Plans for Capital Improvement Projects**
    - **ALL: Due 7/31: Call for Information on Programmatic Mitigation Plans** to Judd Goodman and Gretchen Hayes
    - Do other counties do mitigation project by project or programmatically? (I.e. a Habitat Conservation Plans?)
    - Contra Costa has a Habitat Conservation Plan in part of the county. Working on a Walnut Creek watershed plan for offsite mitigation sites; Also working with local creek groups to identify sites.

### 3. **BCDC PRESENTATION ON THE RSAP**

#### [Advancing Local Adaptation Through the Regional Shoreline Adaptation Plan](#)

SEE ATTACHED PRESENTATION

**Wednesday, June 25: 1-2PM Webinar** [REGISTER](#) (First in Series through September)

- **ALL: Schedule a 30 minute call with your regional BCDC representative**
- **Jessica Fain: provide contact information for Kelsey Ducklow at Coastal Commission to coordinate on SB272 implementation**
- Dana Brechwald, Assistant Planning Director for Climate Adaptation at the San Francisco Bay Conservation and Development Commission (BCDC), could not attend. Jessican Fain, Director of Planning, and Danielle Flanagan, Climate Adaptation Specialist provided an overview of what local governments along the Bay shoreline are required to do to meet new state law, SB272. BCDC's Regional Shoreline Adaptation Plan (RSAP), adopted in December 2024, contains Guidelines for how to create local Plans. Highlighted: the responsibilities of local governments and stakeholders in adaptation; a brief overview of Plan requirements and minimum standards; and BCDC's role to support local governments to meet this challenge. Subregional plans consistent with this plan to be developed. BCDC conducting Summer Outreach Tour.
- BCDC is launching new tools and resources this summer to support local planning efforts.
- RSAP Atlas to be launched in August 2025
- BAFPAA requests that BCDC addresses concerns enumerated in CHARG letter including engineering input especially in relation to preferred nature-based solution constraints, levees and tide gates
- [Regional Shoreline Adaptation Plan: One Bay Vision, Strategic Regional Priorities, and Subregional Shoreline Adaptation Plan Guidelines, Draft December 2024](#)
- [RSAP Resources and Funding](#) Cost estimates up to \$1M; recommend combining funding sources from multi-jurisdictional partnerships; pursue SB1 OPC Funds

- **Gretchen to provide list of presentation meeting attendees to Danielle Flanagan**
- Jen Hyman left BCDC, who was the representative to BAFPA. There is a job opening.
- **BCDC Senior Engineer Job Opportunity: [CalCareers](#)**  
This position oversees the engineering program for BCDC, working on a range of projects and issues that can include coastal engineering, safety of the design of in Bay and coastal structures, seismic safety, sea level rise, as well as shoreline and flood protection. BCDC's engineer routinely works with coastal planners, scientists, landscape architects, and attorneys. Come work in a fast-paced environment where every day is different.

#### 4. **GOVERNOR'S EXECUTIVE ORDER EO N-25-25 ON WILDFIRE RESILIENCE**

##### **Fast-Tracking Wildfire Safety Projects & Expanding Beneficial Fire**

[SEE ATTACHED PRESENTATION](#)

##### **ALL: DUE 12/31/25 Request Waiver for Wildfire Resilience Projects**

Complete wildfire fuel reduction project by October 15, 2026

<https://www.wildfiredtaskforce.org>

- Brian Mendenhall, Santa Clara Valley Water presented on the means and resources to expedite wildfire resilience including suspension of the Lake and Streambed Alteration Act.
- Federal laws have not changed
- Emphasis on protecting sensitive resources while achieving fire protection objectives
- Work must be performed by certified and licensed responsible parties following specific BMPs
- State Coastal Conservancy has \$30.1 million in funding for projects

##### **Related Articles**

- Bay Nature: [Bay Area Fire Projects Get a Break From CEQA](#)
- Bay Nature: [Learn to Burn](#)

#### 5. COMMITTEE AND GROUP UPDATES

- **IRWM** (Brian Mendenhall, Chair):
  - Sara Duckler replacing Mark Boucher; Elka Rank named second representative.
  - IRWM functional area reps needed: 1 from North Bay, 1 from southwest bay

**NAPA, SONOMA, MARIN, SAN MATEO, OTHER** contact Brian Mendenhall to be an IRWM representative for about 2 hours monthly.
- **Environmental Permitting Committee** (Elke Rank, Claudia Gemberling)
 

**Wednesday, August 6: 11AM Online Next Environmental Permitting Committee Meeting**

  - Environmental Permitting Committee met with Regional Water Board staff on permit timeline issues and mitigation negotiations; will meet again soon with Board staff.
- **San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority** (Paul Detjens)
 

[SEE ATTACHED SUMMARY](#)

  - SFBRA budget maintained with voter attitude changes on environmental topics noted

- **San Francisco Estuary Partnership (SFEP) Implementation Committee** (Tess Byler)  
**Tuesday, October 28 – Wednesday October 29 State of the Estuary Conference in Oakland**
  - SFEP funding from US EPA maintained this year.
  - **Wednesday, May 21** Presentation by Julie Beagle on Fin Lift method of Sediment Placement:  
[Working with Water: Improving Sediment Management for Marsh Resilience in SF Bay](#)  
<https://www.sfestuary.org/governance-and-committees/>
- **Advanced Quantitative Precipitation Information (AQPI)** (Mark Boucher)  
**Tuesday, June 24 – Wednesday, June 25 AQPI Workshop**
  - Radar on track for installation.
- **USACE Silver Jackets** (Tami Church, USACE)
  - Levee owner workshops will be virtual this year. Jessica is the new coordinator.
- **Sediment Reuse** (Roger Leventhal, Marin)

#### 6. Potential Member Meeting Topics (Antonella Gentile)

- Programmatic Habitat Mitigation Plans for Capital Improvement Projects (Judd Goodman)
- USGS Presentation  
**Roger Leventhal to reach out to USGS for potential speaker on sediment reuse (Karen Thorn)**
- Beavers for hydrograph modification and habitat restoration  
[Bay Nature Talk: Beaver In California](#)  
**Wednesday, July 9: 12-1PM Online REGISTER**
- Managing for Drought Resiliency  
[Sustainable Conservation: Climate Resilience in Action, Shared Waters, Shared Solutions](#)  
**Wednesday, June 11: 1-2PM Online REGISTER**
- Other topics?

#### 7. Treasurer's Report (Katie Muller)

- Balances: Checking \$93,671.76 Savings \$147,474.13
- (Includes \$92,446.00 CHARG funds)
- **Katie Muller: Sending invoices for membership dues in July**

#### 8. Adjourn (Antonella Gentile)

- **Monday, July 14: 1:30PM Online Next Meeting**
- Sara Duckler to Chair