



July 12, 2021 Monthly Meeting Minutes

1. Meeting Welcome and Introductions
2. Summary of Meeting of BAFPAA leadership:
 - a. It is not too late to participate in the Climate Change Planning Survey. To date, 5 agencies have responded. [Link to survey.](#)
 - b. BAFPAA leadership team will stay the same for the rest of the FY.
 - c. Mark Boucher, treasurer, is working on a task order for CHARG to continue the priority setting exercise. He also issued another task order for this year's work for Jennifer Krebs Environmental Planning.
3. Estuary Blueprint Presentation by Darcie Luce, San Francisco Estuary Partnership. The presentation follows the minutes. Discussion afterwards included the following:
 - a. Regulatory permitting challenges: flood control projects (even multibenefit projects) often seem to be treated the same as commercial projects by developers. Public agencies are not viewed as partners to regulators in working for the public good even though public agencies are not
 - b. Finding sediment for multi-benefit projects is a challenge. Costs are high, regulations not easy. Something more holistic and clear would be beneficial.
 - c. Sea level rise and managed retreat is being avoided in public discussions. This is not productive to protecting people who live in low-lying communities. Many of the people living in such areas are people of color and disadvantaged communities.
 - d. BAFPAA members often do multi-benefit projects, however, there are very few financial or regulatory incentives to building grey infrastructure. Grey infrastructure is part of the long term protection of humans and also part of the solution to SLR.
 - e. Lack of funds for O&M for all kinds of flood control projects, including horizontal levees and other nature based solutions, are a disadvantage to doing projects.
4. CHARG Update. Roger Levnthal noted that outside of the priority setting exercise, CHARG members are working on a couple of white papers on modeling. Roger will report back in a few months.
5. Restoration Authority - a new RFP was announced. [Link here.](#)
6. The SFEP Implementation Committee will meet again in August. Carol Mahoney will report after that meeting.
7. AQPI - Mark Boucher reported that the X-Band Radar for Rocky Ridge is currently set to be deployed in August, pending a structural analysis of the concrete pad.
8. Treasurer's Report- Mark Boucher reported that invoices were sent out to members. A new RPF will be required by next May, when the contract with Jennifer Krebs Environmental Planning expires.
9. Next meeting August 9th, at 1:30. Roger Leventhal will present on the Marin County Sea Level Rise Adaptation efforts.

Meeting Attendees

Last	First	Agency
Boucher	Mark	Contra Costa County Flood Control and Water Conservation District
Byler	Tess	San Francisquito JPA
Jensen	Tim	Contra Costa County Flood Control and Water Conservation District
Leventhal	Roger	Marin County
Mahoney	Carol	Zone 7 Water Agency
Materman	Len	San Mateo Flood and Sea Level Rise Resiliency District
Mendenhall	Brian	Santa Clara Valley Water District
Miller	Mike	Zone 7 Water Agency
Nam	Judy	Santa Clara Valley Water District
Rank	Elke	Zone 7 Water Agency
Rouhani	Afshin	Santa Clara Valley Water District
Verner-Crist	Megan	City of Livermore

Darcie Luce, San Francisco Estuary Partnership

Jennifer Krebs, BAFPA staff