

Executive Committee Quarterly Meeting MBNEP Office

February 4, 2016 12:00 pm

Staff Report

- 1. Introductions and Updates
- 2. Public Comment
- 3. Agenda Revisions
- 4. ACTION: Consider Approval of November 18, 2015 minutes

5. Discussion: EPA Program Evaluation Update

The EPA has issued the final letter summarizing the results of the recent 5-year program evaluation. The letter highlights strengths and challenges for the program, and confirms that the Estuary Program passed the evaluation. The letter acknowledges our good work in outreach and public involvement, restoration, and capacity building. Areas for us to focus on in the next five years include climate change, monitoring, eelgrass restoration, and nutrient and sediment reductions.

6. Presentation: 2015 Annual Report Review

Estuary Program staff will highlight results from projects in 2015, including Road Erosion Prevention Project, Give a Day for the Bay, and Monitoring Program activities.

7. Discussion: 2017 Workplan Input – See 2016 Workplan

Estuary Program staff will be preparing the 2017 Workplan over the next few months and presenting it for consideration at the May committee meetings. Current budget projections indicate level funding at \$600,000. Some current (2016) workplan tasks will continue (see 2016 workplan document for details):

- Land Conservation
- Freshwater Flow
- Restoration Maintenance and Monitoring
- Conservation Planning
- Other Restoration
- Eelgrass Monitoring
- Monitoring Program Coordination
- Monitoring Program Reporting and Analysis
- Monitoring Program Data Management



- Monitoring Program Quality Assurance
- Communications
- Education
- Community Grants
- Other E&O Tasks
- Manage Committees and Build Partnerships
- Grants and Contracts Administration and Financial Management
- General Administration and Human Resources Management
- Tracking Implementation of the Management Plan and Workplan

New tasks that may be initiated in 2017 include:

- Next Steps on the Chorro Creek Ecological Reserve
- Stormwater Management Project Planning
- Nature Center Update

Input is appreciated from the Implementation Committee about projects or partnerships to consider including in the 2017 workplan.

8. Adjourn to next meeting of May 11, 2016 at 12:00 pm at Windows on the Water.

Attachments:

1. November EC meeting minutes