2017-2018 SMBRC Meetings – Food/Refreshments Budget - $1,000 Budget

Throughout the fiscal year, multiple meetings of the SMBRC are necessary. For fiscal year 2017-2018, funds are requested to pay for meeting refreshments and meals for the Technical Advisory Committee members. Space for the meetings is generously provided in-kind by Del Rey Yacht Club, West Basin Municipal Water District, and the office of Councilmember Mike Bonin. Light refreshments are purchased and provided at Commission meetings, the Watershed Advisory Council meetings, and Bay Restoration Plan (BRP) planning meetings scheduled during the fiscal year, which includes bagels, cream cheese, coffee, trail mix, and the like. Light meals are planned for the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) meetings that are longer than four hours. The budget anticipates the following meetings:

Commission Meetings. **6 Commission meetings – 6 x $40.** SMBRC Governing Board is charged with coordinating activities of federal, state, local, and other entities to restore and enhance the Santa Monica Bay, including identifying and leveraging funding to put solutions into action, encouraging public-private partnerships, promoting cutting-edge research and technology, facilitating stakeholder driven consensus processes, and raising public awareness. Light refreshments are purchased and served. The Del Rey Yacht Club complements refreshments and serves coffee, tea, and water in-kind.

SMBRC Executive Committee (EC) Meetings. **6 Executive Committee Meetings** – Meals are provided for these meetings in-kind by the West Basin Municipal Water District – **6 x $0**. EC formulates agenda items for the Governing Board meetings. The EC is comprised of the SMBRC Governing Board Chair and up to six Vice-Chairs. No budgeted food expenses are necessary.

Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) Meetings. **5 Technical Advisory Committee Meetings – 5 x $96**. The TAC is comprised of experts in coastal and watershed science who provide scientific opinions on a broad range of subject areas including intertidal ecology, fisheries, physical oceanography, plankton, sea birds, sediments, wetlands etc. The main responsibility of the TAC is to provide review and recommendations to the SMBRC Governing Board on research, policies, and projects that have a strong technical component. These meetings tend to be long, over 4 hours long, therefore meals to TAC members are provided.

Watershed Advisory Committee (WAC) Meeting**. 1 Watershed Advisory Committee Meeting – 1 x $60**. This is a broad stakeholder body of the SMBRC made up of Local municipalities, Federal, State and Local agencies, Stormwater and Municipal Wastewater Management Agencies Utilities/Industry/Business, Environmental Organizations/User Groups, and Legislative Representatives. The primary responsibility of the Watershed Advisory Council is to advise the SMBRC Governing Board on Bay restoration priorities for funding, planning, project implementation, monitoring and further research. Light refreshments are served.

Bay Restoration Plan (BRP) special meetings. **2 BRP meetings - 2 x $110**. The BRP is scheduled for an update. The BRP identifies the most effective strategies, priority areas, and goals and objectives to make substantial progress to restore, preserve, and enhance the Bay. Light refreshments are provided.

BUDGET SUMMARY:

Commission Meetings: $240
Executive Committee Meetings: $0
Watershed Advisory Committee Meetings: $60
Technical Advisory Committee Meetings: $480
Bay Restoration Plan Meetings: $220

Total Food and Refreshments Expenses = $1,000