Initial Phase 2 SMBNEP Bay Restoration Plan Revision Survey

In the spaces below, please provide your input on the revision of the Santa Monica Bay Restoration Plan (BRP), the guiding organizational planning document for the Santa Monica Bay National Estuary Program (SMBNEP). A number of major milestones and objectives have been completed since 2013, and we need your help to identify our next steps and priorities. An important component of the BRP revision process is stakeholder input. We are requesting your suggestions on short and long term goals, pressing issues, and specific actions.

Below, we have created a series of questions intended to assist the SMBNEP management conference and SMBNEP staff in collecting ideas, suggestions and concepts for the development of specific actions, projects or programs that will direct the efforts of the SMBNEP for the coming 5 years, (near term) and 6-15 years out, (long term). This survey is a first step in phase two of a three phase planning effort to revise the BRP in accordance with EPA guidance.

Thank you in advance for your time and effort in informing the BRP; it is the core of strategic planning for the SMBNEP and is used to develop annual work plans and track progress towards specific outputs and outcomes over time.

For additional context, the current BRP can be viewed and downloaded from the link above or by clicking HERE.

To facilitate this we'd like you to consider the following qualifiers:

- SMBNEP develops and pursues, projects or programs that: improve water quality, protect and restore natural resources, protect and restore benefits and values to humans, and promote resilience to climate change. Hereafter called *ACTIONS*.

- Our project area includes Santa Monica Bay, its watershed and the coastline. There are 28 sub-watersheds to Santa Monica Bay, the largest being Malibu and Ballona Creek(s). The coastline includes the near entirety of mainland Los Angeles County; from the LA / Ventura County Line to Point Fermin.

- SMBNEP is evaluated by the US EPA every five years to assess progress made towards the completion of BRP goals. Kindly consider short term outputs within a five year time frame to help assess the progress of efforts made toward a SMBNEP action.

- In 2016, the SMBNEP completed a climate change vulnerability assessment. That assessment considered the objectives of the 2013 BRP in the context of six climate change related stressors. Those are the following; Ocean Acidification, Sea Level Rise, Increased Storminess, Drought, Warmer Water, and Warmer Temperatures.

To facilitate this we'd like you to complete the following survey:

1. Are there ongoing actions of the SMBNEP that you would like to see remain a priority for the SMBNEP?
    i. Yes
    ii. No
2. Are there actions that aren't identified, to your knowledge, in the current BRP that should be added?
    i. Yes
    ii. No
3. Please provide your suggestions for actions that should be initiated by the SMBNEP in the next 5 years.

4. Do you think that your proposed actions will be affected by the six climate change stressors identified in the 2016 CCVA?
    i. Yes
    ii. No