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SMBNEP Governance Review Workshop
Watershed Advisory Council Meeting
1/24/19

- Purpose and Goal

  Transparent governance review with input from all Management Conference members (SMBRC-GB/EC, WAC, TAC; TBF), interested stakeholders and members of the public

- Activities

  Governing Board Governance Workshop
  Review at meetings with EC, WAC and TAC
  eSurvey
  Project Report to GB with recommendations

- Schedule

  GB-12/13/18
  EC- 1/17/19
  WAC-1/24/19
  TAC-date TBD
  EC-3/21/19
  GB-4/18/19

- Outcomes

  Governance Structure, Policies, and Practices Review
  Governance Document Review (MOU/MOA)
  (Possible Suggested Changes to Governance Policies and Practices)
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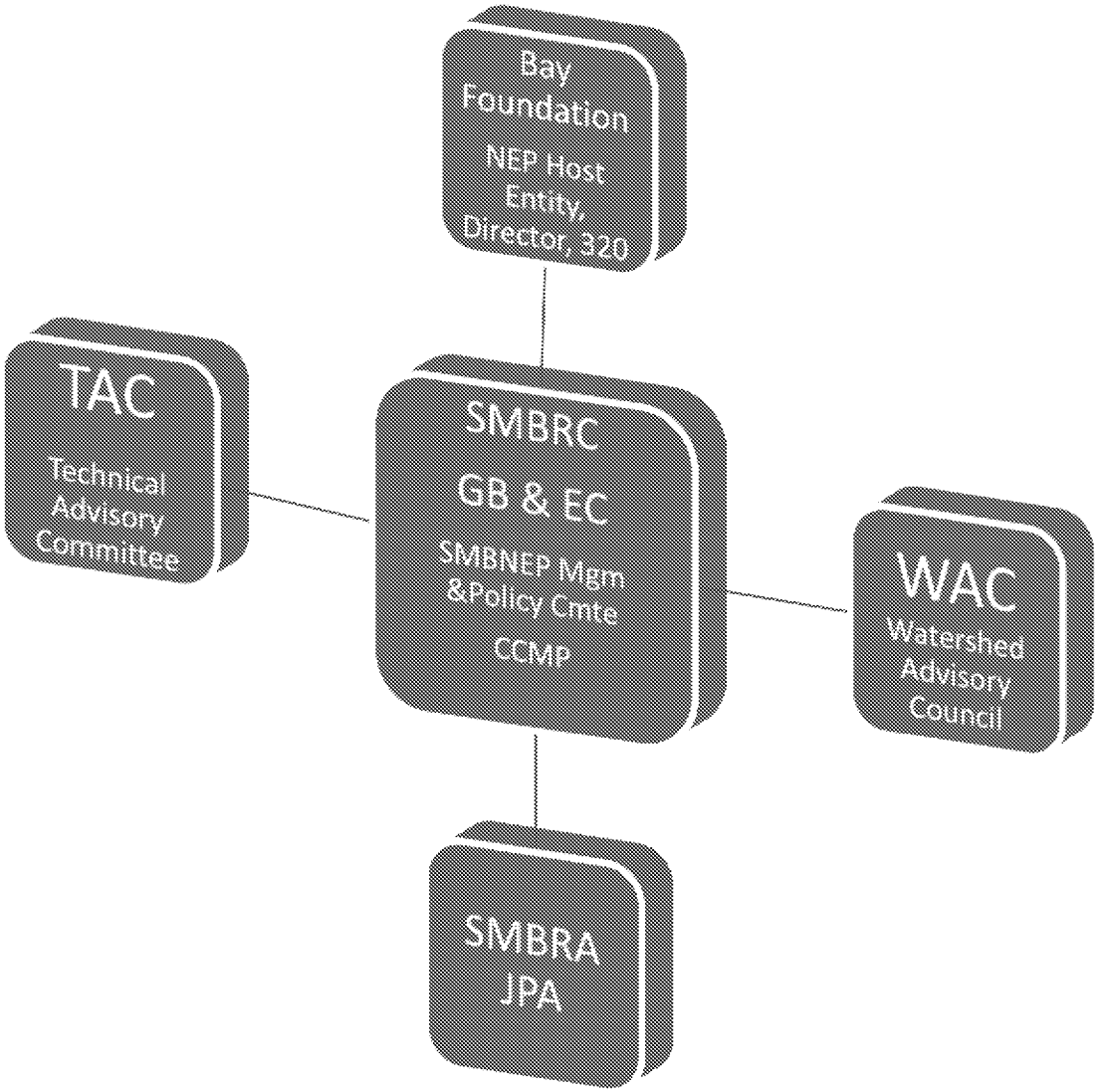
SMBNEP Management Conference					
	MOU	Gov Board & EC	WAC	TAC	Bay Foundation
Role(s)	SMBRC Governance Document	NEP Management and Policy Committee	Citizen and Stakeholder Advice	Science and Technical Advice	SMBNEP Host Entity, Director, 320 Grant Agreement
Responsibilities	Specifies Roles, Responsibilities, and Partnerships for the SMBRC	Sets overall direction for the NEP; Approve Work Plan to implement the CCMP (Bay Restoration Plan)	Primary Public and Stakeholder Involvement	Independent Scientific and Technical Input and Support; Prepares State of Bay Report	Administers EPA Assistance Grant supporting the activities and projects of the NEP.
Organization	Multi-Party Agreement	GB-36 Members; 27 Voting, 9 Non-Voting; 7 elected from WAC; EC-Chair and 6 VCs	Approx. 70 Members; 36 GB Members serve as WAC members	9 Members; Appointed by GB	501 c3 Tax Exempt Nonprofit; BOD
Authority	CA PRC Section 30988.2(B)	MOU- III.A.; Resolution 05-11	MOU- III.B.	MOU- III.C.	CWA Sec 320; EPA Guidance


Bay Foundation
NEP Host Entity, Director, 320
TAC
Technical Advisory Committee
SMBRC
GB & EC
SMBNEP Mgm &Policy Cmte
CCMP
WAC
Watershed Advisory Council
SMBRA
JPA

NEP "Nonprofit Management Conference" Model

NEP Name	Host Entity	Grant Recipient	Sources of NEP Operating Funds	Committee Structure
Coastal Bend Bays (TX)	Nonprofit Coastal Bend Bays and Estuaries Program, Inc.	CBBEP	EPA, State, local governments, industry and Private Foundations	Board of Directors, Bays Council, Coordination Team, 5 Implementation Teams
Delaware Estuary (PA, NJ, DE)	Non-profit-Partnership for the Delaware Estuary	Partnership for the Delaware Estuary	EPA, States, City of Philadelphia, Delaware River Basin Commission private grants, donations events	Steering Committee, Estuary Implementation Committee, Partnership Board of Directors, Science & Tech Advisory Committee (STAC), DRBC TAC/MAC
Delaware Inland Bays (DE)	Nonprofit Delaware CIB	CIB	EPA, State, Planned Gifts, License Plate, Membership, Events	Board of Directors, CAC, STAC, Executive Finance, Water Use Plan Implementation Committee
Lower Columbia River (OR & WA)	Non-Profit Lower Columbia Estuary Partnership	Lower Columbia Estuary Partnership	EPA, Federal agencies, Tribal governments, State agencies, Regional governments, Private Foundations, Corporations, and Individuals	Board of Directors, Executive Committee, Water Trail Committee, Science Work Group
Maryland Coastal Bays (MD)	Nonprofit - Maryland Coastal Bays Foundation	Maryland Coastal Bays Foundation	EPA, State, Events, Canoe/bike rental, concessions	Maryland Coastal Bays Foundation Board, Policy Committee, Implementation Committee, Fundraising Committee, Citizens Advisory Committee, Scientific and Technical Advisory Committee, Ad Hoc Implementation Working Groups

Mobile Bay (AL)	Non-Profit Dauphin Island Sea Lab, State University system	Marine Environmental Sciences Consortium dba Dauphin Island Sea Lab	EPA, RESTORE, State, Local	Executive Committee, Governance Networks Committee, Business Resources Committee, Project Implementation Committee, Community Action Committee, Science Advisory Committee, Finance Advisory Committee.
Morro Bay (CA)	Nonprofit Bay Foundation of Morro Bay	Nonprofit – Bay Foundation of Morro Bay	EPA 320 grant	Executive Comm (oversight and decision-making authority), Implementation Comm, and Three Subcomms - Finance, Education and Outreach, and Scientific/Technical
NY/NJ Harbor (NY)	Hudson River Foundation	Hudson River Foundation	EPA, Private Foundations, Local Government	Policy Committee, Management Comm., STAC, CAC, Work Groups for: water quality, restoration, public access, sediment, education, and ad hoc groups as necessary
San Juan Bay (PR)	Non-Profit Corporation for the Conservation of the San Juan Bay Estuary	Corporation for the Conservation of the San Juan Bay Estuary	Nonprofit (Corporation for the Conservation of the San Juan Bay Estuary)	Board of Directors, Government Implementation Committee (Management Conference), STAC, CAC, Trust Fund, Program Office
Santa Monica (CA)	The Bay Foundation	The Bay Foundation	EPA/State	Governing Board, Tech Advisory Comm., Watershed Advisory Council; Joint Powers Authority; Research Center with University
Tillamook Bay (OR)	Nonprofit Tillamook Estuaries Partnership	Tillamook Estuaries Partnership	EPA	Board of Directors, Executive Committee, Finance Committee, Development Committee, Education Committee

SMBNEP Governance Workshop
December 13, 2018

Purpose of Workshop

Under EPA NEP Guidance, the Santa Monica Bay NEP Management Conference is obligated to periodically review the structure of governance for the Santa Monica Bay NEP.

In June 2018, the staff of the Bay Foundation and the Santa Monica Bay Restoration Commission presented background on the structure of the SMBNEP and its component elements.

This workshop is intended to be an initial opportunity for the Governing Board/Management Committee of the SMBNEP to provide input on the current governance and any suggestions for changes and modifications to the overall governance structure, or to any of the specific elements of the governance structure, and any policies and practices.

Workshop Agenda

Introduction to Workshop Goals and Objectives- Dr. Guangyu Wang/Tom Ford	5 minutes
Governance of NEPs- US EPA, Region 9, Erica Yelensky	10 minutes
Facilitated discussion- Marc Beyeler, Principal, MBA Consultants	45 minutes

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Facilitated Discussion-Issues and Questions to Consider

EPA NEP Cornerstones:
Focus on Watersheds; Integrate Science into Decision-making; Foster collaborative Problem-solving; and Involve the Public

Santa Monica Bay NEP Priority Action Categories:
Managing Projects; Making Policy; Raising and Expending Funds; Researching and Monitoring the Bay Condition; Educating and Engaging Stakeholders.

Santa Monica Bay NEP Principles for Governance:
Clarity in Roles and Responsibilities; Inclusive; Transparent; Stakeholder-based; Science-led; Results focused; Integrative.

Issues/Questions to consider:
How well informed and how familiar are you with the structure and functions of the current governance structure?
(Not at all; A little; More than a Little; A lot; Fully)

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How well does the current governance structure meet the NEP Cornerstones and the SMBNEP (CCMP Action Plan) Goals and Objectives?
(Not at all; some; more than some; A lot; Fully meets)

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How effective is the current governance structure in meeting CCMP Action Plan Priorities?
(Very effective; effective; somewhat effective; not effective; don't know; need more information)

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What elements of the current governance structure work best?
(Executive Committee; Governing Board; Watershed Advisory Council; Technical Advisory Committee; SMBRC-TBF partnership; Joint Power Authority

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How well suited is the current governance structure to address Key Management Issues and Challenges looking forward?

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Are there elements of the current governance structure that could be modified for improved performance?
(Executive Committee; Governing Board; Watershed Council; Technical Advisory Committee; SMBRC-TBF partnership; Joint Power Authority)

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What policies and practices implemented under the current SMBNEP governance structure contribute most to achieving the SMBNEP's goals and objectives?

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Are there new policies and practices that could be incorporated into the SMBNEP governance structure and operations that could lead to better achievement of the SMBNEP's goals and objectives?

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Other Comments/Questions/Notes:

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Optional:
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Organization: