

# CTAG MEETING AGENDA

Thursday, February 13, 2014

9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

SCCWRP Headquarters  
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1. **Introductions and Minutes of Previous Meeting** [10 min] 9:00-9:10  
The CTAG Chair will open the meeting and request approval of the November 2013 meeting minutes.
2. **Executive Director's Report** [30 min] 9:10-9:40  
The Executive Director will report on current activities of the agency. The Director will also summarize findings and recommendations from the SCCWRP External Review Panel.
3. **CTAG Elections** (10 min) 9:40-9:50  
CTAG will elect its Chair and two Vice-Chairs for the upcoming year.
4. **Contract Review** [10 min] 9:50-10:00  
The Executive Director will describe new contracts that will be presented for Commission endorsement at their upcoming meeting.
5. **New Projects** [10 min] 10:00-10:20  
SCCWRP staff will present a short briefing on the following recently initiated project:
  - I. Causal Assessment for nutrients and physical habitat (Eric Stein)
  - II. San Diego integrated water resource management data system (Steve Steinberg)
6. **SCCWRP 2014-2015 Research Plan** [50 min] 10:20-11:00  
The Executive Director will present the first draft of the 2014-15 Research Plan for CTAG feedback.
7. **The CTAG Charter** [40 min] 11:00-11:40  
The Executive Director will report on the subcommittee's recommendations; he will then lead a discussion to address the Commission's request that he develop a charter defining CTAG's role and responsibilities that will be considered for approval by the Commission at their strategic planning meeting.
8. **Capturing historical monitoring data** [20 min] 11:40-12:00  
CTAG will hear a report from their subcommittee charged with developing a strategy for capturing historical monitoring data.
9. **Bight '13 Update** [20 min] 12:00-12:15  
Ken Schiff will provide his quarterly update on Bight '13.

10. **Lunch** [60 min] 12:15-1:00

11. **Sediment quality objectives** [140 min] 1:00-3:20

- I. Steve Bay will provide an overview of SCCWRP activities that provide a scientific foundation for the State's sediment quality objectives.
- II. Dr. David Gillett will present SCCWRP's approach to developing benthic indices for new habitats.
- III. Steve Bay will present SCCWRP's approach to determining causal factors when sediment quality is found to differ from reference conditions.
- IV. Chris Beegan will describe status of sediment quality objective in California and the role of SCCWRP activities in shaping its development
- V. Stakeholder perspective: Dr. Shelly Anghera will present a user's perspective about the remaining scientific challenges in to implementing sediment quality objectives.

12. **Fact Sheets** [20 min] 3:20-3:50

Karen Setty will seek feedback on the draft bioassessment fact sheet and discuss topics for future fact sheets.

13. **Wrap-up and future meeting agenda items** [10 min] 3:50-4:00

CTAG will summarize recommendations to the Commission and suggest agenda items for future meetings.

14. **Adjourn** 4:00