

CTAG MEETING AGENDA

Thursday, May 10, 2018

9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

SCCWRP Headquarters
3535 Harbor Blvd., Costa Mesa, CA 92626

1. **Introductions and review of the agenda** 9:00-9:10
The CTAG Chair will open the meeting and review the meeting agenda.
2. **Executive Director's report** 9:20-9:50
The Executive Director will report on current activities of the agency.
3. **Contract review** 9:50-10:00
The Executive Director will describe new contracts that will be presented for Commission endorsement at their upcoming meeting.
4. **New projects** 10:00-10:30
SCCWRP staff will present short briefings on the following recently initiated projects:
 - i. David Gillett will describe a project to develop a submerged aquatic vegetation monitoring framework
 - ii. Susie Theroux will describe a project to develop extracellular DNA approaches for monitoring the presence of sensitive aquatic species.
5. **SCCWRP 2016-2017 Research Plan** 10:30-11:00
CTAG will review the Executive Summary Research Plan that will be submitted to the Commission for approval in June. This will include an update on SCCWRP's decision to drop the Information Management and Analysis Research Theme and disband the Department supporting that theme.
6. **Selection of Dates for 2018 Intersessional Meetings** 11:00-11:30
 - a. Potential performance evaluation research theme
 - b. Revisit the CEC research theme – a full day meeting beginning with a SCCWRP research update
 - c. Revisit Bioassessment and Nutrient research themes – Each a half day
 - d. OAH modeling workshop
7. **New SCCWRP web site** 11:30-12:00
Scott Martindale will provide a short overview the new SCCWRP web site and seek CTAG feedback on the draft version they were provided the opportunity to preview.
8. **Lunch** 12:00-1:00
9. **Research summary: Science behind California's bioassessment/biostimulatory policy** 1:00-2:15

Eric Stein and Martha Sutula will describe the State Water Board's directions on a bioassessment/biostimulatory policy and the science that SCCWRP is undertaking to support those directions.

10. Research summary: Molecular biological methods 2:15-3:00

Susie Theroux will describe SCCWRP's vision for use of molecular tools for bioassessment and the status of several ongoing projects to support that vision.

11. Research Summary: Flow Management Policies in CA 3:00-3:30

Eric Stein will report on California's new environmental flow framework and the science SCCWRP is doing to support that.

12. Update on Historical Monitoring Database Efforts 3:30-3:45

OCSD will provide an update on the status of this effort. CTAG will discuss any implications that result from deletion of the Information Management and Analysis Department at SCCWRP.

13. Future CTAG meeting agenda items 3:45-4:00

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

14. Adjourn 4:00