# WELCOME TO THE SCCWRP COMMISSION MEETING

#### Commissioner participation

- All Commissioners will be unmuted, but asked to self-mute unless speaking
- Commissioners are requested to keep their camera on

### Voting

All votes will be conducted via roll call (A Brown Act requirement for remote meetings)

### Audience participation

- We will take public comment associated with each agenda item, plus a comment period for non-agenda items as Agenda item 16
- If you would like to comment, please enter your question/comment in the Q&A box
- Please indicate if you would like to verbalize the comment yourself, or have it read for you

# **A TURNING POINT**

#### Our coupled physical-biogeochemical model is maturing

- We built/validated the model using data from the 1990's (when a wide range of oceanic conditions enhanced testing model performance)
- The model has now been updated to present day conditions
- We will always be improving the model, but it is already among the best of its kind
- Now is a good time to turn attention to model application
  - Identifying scenarios you would like us to evaluate

#### But first, we need an interpretational construct for model output

– Model predicts future chemistry conditions, but your interest is in how that affects biology

# **TARGET UNCERTAINTY**

#### Which endpoints?

- Exposure measures
- Physiological measures
- Fitness measures
- Population response

#### • Which species?

- Most sensitive
- Most ecologically important
- Most economically important
- Or do you want to look past an individual species to a community-level response?

### **RESPONSE THRESHOLD SELECTION**

### What part of the biological response range?

– Do you use the lower end of the threshold range, the upper end or the median?

#### Variable exposure conditions

- Our present biological thresholds are based on constant exposure
- However, exposure changes during the day with photosynthesis and organism movement
- Model captures that variability and provides options for how we consider variable exposure

#### Multi-stressor response

- Acidification covaries with oxygen and temperature, which also affect organism response
- We can apply a multi-stressor response to the model output, but we don't yet understand well enough how those factors interact

# **THREE PRESENTATIONS**

#### • Martha will describe our efforts to update the model to present day

- She will also describe a workshop we are planning to help everyone understand the level of certainty and uncertainty you can expect from the model
- Nina will describe studies we are conducting to help you pick the biological response thresholds we should use in model application
- Karen will describe regional monitoring we are using to help validate the laboratory-derived thresholds and model's biological output
- Our hope is to begin getting your feedback about the best way to incorporate this information into future model runs

# **TENTATIVELY SCHEDULED AGENDA ITEMS**

#### Microplastics theme in June

- Microplastics methods evaluation study outcome
- Microplastics health effects thresholds findings from meta-analysis
- Microplastics input measurements from stormwater and wastewater early stages
- You asked for a Wastewater Based Epidemiology update for the next several meetings
- You asked for a Vibrio presentation in September