

**MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**March 30, 2004 10:00 AM TO 2:30 PM**  
**Port Of Los Angeles, Main Building**  
**425 S. Palos Verdes St.**  
**DRAFT AGENDA**

<b>Topic</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Process/Speaker</b>	<b>Desired Outcome</b>
I. Introduction	10:00	Review Agenda and Ground rules	
II. Consensus and action items	10:10	Facilitated dialogue	
III. 5 Year Projections and Opportunities Update	10:20	Presentation- Michael Lyons (5 minutes) Clarifying questions Facilitated dialogue	Common understanding of efforts to date and consensus on next steps
IV. Sediment Subcommittee Update on SQG recommendations	10:30	Presentation - Steven John or Steve Bay (10 minutes) Clarifying questions Facilitated dialogue	Common understanding of efforts to date and consensus on next steps
V. Watershed Subcommittee Results	11:15	Presentation - Michael Lyons (10 minutes) Clarifying questions Facilitated dialogue	Common understanding of efforts to date and consensus on next steps
VI. Break	12:00	Working Lunch	Refueling our brains
VII. CSTF Strategic Plan status report and Unresolved Issues update	12:15	Presentation - Steve Cappellino (10 minutes) Clarifying questions Facilitated dialogue	Assign actions to address remaining unresolved issues and provide input to the Strategic Plan
VIII. Balancing And Incentives	12:45	Revisit brainstormed list Clarifying questions Facilitated dialogue	Consensus on recommendations to include in draft Strategy
IX. Wrap Up	2:15	Review consensus and action items Identify next steps Meeting evaluation	Review
X. Meeting Ends	2:30		

( Action items in bold and underlined, consensus in italics)

## **I Introduction**

\* Agenda item **VII**. CSTF Strategic Plan status report and Unresolved Issues Update was moved up (after Agenda item **III**) on the agenda to accommodate several MC members who had to leave by noon. Meeting Schedule was added to this agenda item.

## **II Consensus and action items**

\*Reviewed consensus items and action items from January 27<sup>th</sup> meeting.

(✓ -completed )

### **Action Items- Carry Over (again)**

**\*ACTION-Jack Gregg and Ralph Kathryn will finalize Advisory Committee Guidelines and distribute to signatories**

**\*ACTION- Michael Lyons will schedule next meeting of Advisory Committee meeting before July 27, 04**

### **Balancing**

**\* ACTION - COE (Kathy) will look into Brownfields funding and report back to Management Committee.**

### **Advisory Committee Update**

✓ **Carryover Action- Michael Lyons will develop summary chart on potential fill “opportunities” for next 5 years**

✓ **Carryover Action- Ports will identify “opportunities in fill projects for additional contaminated sediment over next 5 years.**

✓ **Carryover Action- Put on March agenda- comparison of 5 year contaminated sediment projects and 5 year fill opportunities. And identify next steps.**

### **New Action items**

- Department of Beaches and Harbors for Marina del Ray is requesting 2005 funding for dredging clean material and funding a TSR pilot study( for 25,000 M<sup>3</sup> )

✓ **Action- Agencies/ Entities will consider sending separate letters of support for Marina Del Ray’s funding request for dredging, including TSR pilot, ideally by February 26.**

**Carryover Action- Kathy Anderson will offer briefing for Congressional rep. Harmon or staff, with Heal the Bay in attendance, on the Marina Del Ray project.**

**Carryover Action – COE will also offer briefing to Congressional rep. Rohrbacher on Marina Del Ray project**

✓ **Action- Jack Gregg, Josh Burnam, and Kathy Anderson will make calls to Joe Chesler requesting he attend future CSTF MC meetings**

### **Report review**

✓ **Action- Sediment Thresholds Committee will meet in March and draft “conclusions “ on SQG and develop “options “ for recommendations to increase “certainty” in future determinations**  
**Lead- Steven John**

✓ **Action- Michael Lyons will organize Watershed management and Source Control subcommittee meeting in March and invite TMDL and Storm water staff. The purpose of the meeting is to develop a sense of the reduction of particulates due to Source control programs and the reduction of contaminants in sediment in the next 20 years.**

## Balancing

- ✓ Action- All MC members can provide comments to on “Process for decision making” handout to Steven John by March 9. Steven will work with Steve Cappellino on revised draft (including a new visual).
- ✓ Action- All MC members should provide comments to Michael Lyons on latest draft issue paper on Balancing and suggest additional “Incentives’ and possible “criteria” to evaluate incentives.

## III 5 Year Projections and Opportunities Update

\* Presentation- Michael Lyons

Handout-Contaminated Sediment Dredging Projections- 5 years

2004-> 2008

- \* Maintenance dredging
- \* Cleanups,
- \* Capital Improvement Projects

\* Presentation-Tom Johnson

Port of Long beach- landfill Projects 5- year projection (updated 3-26-04)

3 projects

- 1) Pier J South triangle
- 2) Pier E Slip 1 Fill
- 3) Pier G Slip Fill

General Conclusions

- Uncertainty on available capacity based on timing
- Conservative estimate-525,000 yds<sup>3</sup> capacity to take contaminated sediments possibly available (for other than Port of Long Beach projects)

\* Presentation- Carlos Balognegro

Handout -Port Of Los Angeles-Estimated Contaminated Sediment from Maintenance Dredging and capital Dredging Projects

Maintenance Dredging- 342,000 yds<sup>3</sup> (5 years)

Capital Improvements –1.8 million yds<sup>3</sup> (5 years)

General conclusions

- No fill opportunities in next 5 years for contaminated sediment
- Need to find a place to take 1.8 million yds<sup>3</sup> (5 years)
- Long term- There may be other “opportunities” for taking placement of contaminated sediments in fill projects that can be investigated beyond 5 years

Next Steps?

👍 *Consensus- Use information presented today as “snap shot” in Draft Strategy*

👍 *Consensus- Capture recommendation in Draft Strategy to review 5 year projection and “opportunities” every 6 months*


Based on the information presented the group decided to revisit the prior consensus recommendation from January meeting

👍 *\*CSTF Should vigorously pursue the identification of feasible sites for a Storage/ Treatment /Reprocessing Facility with water access and a land route out e.g. Ports, Ballona Creek , LA River.*

Consensus changes

- Change CSTF to Dredging Community- Ports, USACE, County, and City of Long Beach
- Add date- by June 2005

Revised Consensus

 \* CSTF Dredging Community- Ports, USACE, County, and City of Long Beach, Should vigorously pursue the identification of feasible sites for a Storage/ Treatment /Reprocessing Facility with water access and a land route out e.g. Ports, Ballona Creek , LA River by June 2005

**Action- Jack Gregg will schedule an Implementation Subcommittee meeting to consider ways to more aggressively pursue a Storage/ Treatment/ Reprocessing Facility**

Meeting scheduled for May 5<sup>th</sup> from 10-2 (place to be determined)

## **VII CSTF Strategic Plan status report and Unresolved Issues update ( and Meeting Schedule)**

\* Presentation- Steve Cappellino

Needs (unresolved issues)

- \* SQG-What parts of the SQG investigations are to be included in the Strategy Report
- \* Watershed Source Control- recommendations?
- \* Balancing- final version of issue paper
- \* Monitoring
  - TSS studies?
  - future monitoring?
- \* Future funding-for implementation?
- \* Working on process decision-making chart

Schedule

- \* 1<sup>st</sup> cut of reorganized draft to regulatory agencies by April 20
- \* Draft Strategy to entire group by May 15
- \* Comments by June 15
- \* Executive Summary – later after all comments received
- \* Public Draft- likely July

**Action- Steve Cappellino will distribute revised “Decision Tree on Dredge Material Placement” To all MC members**

## **IV Sediment Subcommittee Update on SQG recommendations**

\* Presentation- Steve Bay

Handout- Conclusions Regarding the Performance of SQGs in the Los Angeles Region

Conclusions 1->10

Recommendations 1->9

[NOTE: These conclusions and recommendations will be sent out separately]

 Consensus- Use Handout on SQGs in Draft strategy

Note! Steven Johns had distributed by email a “Definitions of Suitability”


**Action- Steven John will distribute revised draft of “Definitions of Suitability” to Management Committee for comment.**

## **V Watershed Subcommittee Results**

\* Presentation- Michael Lyons

Handout- Watershed Management and Source Reduction Subcommittee Meeting Summary- March 26, 2004

Next Steps?

 *Consensus-Recommendation to put in Draft Strategy- Recommend issue be looked at further at a 1 day workshop held to look at connection of runoff to sediment contamination. In addition invite all major watershed groups, ask City and County Watershed Divisions to host the workshop and use Dominguez WAC as a case study.*

## VIII Balancing And Incentives

The group revisited the lists of Brainstormed “Incentives” and “Possible Criteria”


### Brainstormed Ideas-Incentives

- \* Link opening (ownership and management) of the CAD site to a Storage/treatment / Reprocessing Facility (TSR)
- \* Tie TSR Facility to Master Plan amendments for Ports and offer streamlined permits
- \* If you want to use CAD site you must show plan to beneficially reuse ( how specific?) an equivalent ( ratio?) amount of contaminated sediment within a certain time ( timeframe?)
- \* If Port dedicates land for TSR facility they get mitigation credits.
- \* Let fine (penalty) \$ for SEPS go to beneficial reuse projects
- \* Beneficial reuse projects get permit priority (saved time)
- \* Thickness of CAD site tied to beneficial reuse
- \* Encourage private involvement-community redevelopment
- \* If private operator for TSR facility dredgers pay cost of CAD disposal to TSR operator ( subsidy to private operator)
- \* Ports would guarantee to buy back material after treatment
- \* Beneficial reuse awards
- \* Annual progress reports with comparisons for each agency

### Possible Criteria to evaluate Incentives

- \* Provides flexibility
- \* Nexus exists
- \* Does not equal extortion
- \* Creates resource/ habitat
- \* Mutually beneficial for participants
- \* Cost effective
- \* Increases certainty
- \* Implementable
- \* Acceptability
- \* Short term benefit

After reviewing all of the Brainstormed Incentives the group was able to reach consensus on one item.

 *Consensus- Beneficial reuse awards from EPA and RWQCB as incentives*

Two additional suggestions were made that were less “incentives” and more “regulatory”

- \* Pursue “credit” under AB 939 ( targets for recycling) for beneficial reuse of contaminated sediment ( IWB and RWQCB would have to approve- might require legislative change)
- \* Create Regulatory Framework that requires use of TSR facility related to CAD use ( similar to San Francisco Bay framework for in bay disposal limitations)

**Action- Regulatory Agencies will consider 2 concepts above and develop recommendations**

## **VII Wrap Up**

**Next Meeting-May 25, 04 Note: No Management Committee meeting in April**

**Also note that May 18th is also being considered for the next meeting date.**

Agenda items

- \* Review Draft Strategy
- \* Implementation Committee Update
- \* Public Review Process for Draft strategy
- \* Need for Executive Committee meeting

### **Participants:**

Dennis Eschen, City of Long Beach  
Harry Seraydarian, facilitator  
J. Michael Lyons, Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board  
Jack Gregg, California Coastal Commission  
Jim Fields, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
John Lindsey, ECDC Environmental  
Josh Burnam, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
Kathryn Curtis, Port of Los Angeles  
Mike Schulz, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency  
Nick Buhbe, AMEC Environmental  
Steve Bay, Southern California Coastal Water Research Project  
Steve Cappellino, Anchor Environmental  
Steven John, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency  
Tom Johnson, Port of Long Beach  
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Christine Houston, Port of Long Beach  
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