

**James Fitzgerald Reserve Pilot CCA Project Pilot Subcommittee  
June 7, 2006 Summary**

**Participants:**

In person: Kathryn Slater-Carter-Montara Water and Sanitary District; Rich Allen, Kellyx Nelson-San Mateo County Resource Conservation District; Lisa Sniderman-Coastal Commission; Kathleen Van Velsor-Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG); Christine Shirley, Neil Cullen-County of San Mateo, Public Works; Nicole David, Rainer Hoenicke-San Francisco Estuary Institute (SFEI); Sam Herzberg-San Mateo County Parks; Connie Anderson-State Water Resources Control Board  
Phone-In: Carmen Fewless (first part of call)-Regional Water Quality Control Board; Heidi Hall-State Water Resources Control Board

**Agenda items, key discussion points, agreements:**

1. Final (revised) 2-page CCA write-up

Lisa provided the subcommittee with a revised write-up. The group agreed with the proposed changes, namely better defining targets for the project. The write-up will be put on the CCA Project webpage.

**Action Item: Lisa will ensure that CCA write-up is put up on CCA Project webpage.**

2. Project overview (slide presentation by consultants)

Rainer (SFEI) and Kathleen (ABAG) gave a slide presentation on the CCA Project focusing on their roles for the project including developing an interactive GIS watershed-based tool for local government and other local stakeholders. They presented a Project Timeline (05/06-11/07) and Progress Markers. Contact [rainer@sfei.org](mailto:rainer@sfei.org) for a copy of the presentation. Lisa will also look into making this available on the CCA Project webpage in the future. Concerns were expressed over data produced from the Project that might result in regulation or enforcement of individual landowners. We agreed that all concerns should continue to be expressed and that the parties working together should be able to address them. Some people cautioned about using predictive models and recommended that uncertainties be presented.

3. Review watershed area delineation

The subcommittee agreed to use the map that Chuck Kozak (MidCoast Community Representative) has prepared that delineates the watersheds in the MidCoast as a starting point for land use classifications, etc.

4. Summary of Nonpoint Source Pollution (NPS) Issues and follow up on land use categories

The subcommittee reviewed the draft table of major land uses in the MC Watersheds that Lisa prepared, summarizing the major land uses in each watershed based on previous

discussions, site visit, and a review of some of the digital and hard copy maps made available. A revised Table is attached. We also looked at a Draft Summary of Known and Potential NPS Issues that Lisa prepared to ensure that we were including the major categories for the MC Watersheds. These include: (1) Bacteria, (2) Excessive Nutrients, Nitrates, (3) Sedimentation/Erosion, (4) Pesticides/Herbicides, (5) Stream Flow and Groundwater, (6) Urban runoff (development, storm drains, inadequate buffer zones), (7) Invasive/non-native species, (8) Degraded wetlands or riparian areas. We added (9) Trash, as an additional issue of concern.

5. Review collection of baseline water quality data; Identify and obtain key data sources (constraints, issues)

Rainer handed out a draft table of data layers that could be used for the CCA project. Lisa asked him to please incorporate the Draft Matrix of Information Sources that the full stakeholder group helped identify and then to redistribute to her.

**Action Item: Rainer to incorporate draft matrix into table of data layers specific to MidCoast and give to Lisa. Lisa will distribute to the full group for additional input on necessary data layers**

6. Review of other watershed planning and engineering proposals in the interest of coordination

The subcommittee identified several proposals that are going forward to the full proposal stage in the Consolidated Grant process that all mention coordination with the CCA Program and pilot project (e.g., storm drain improvements for San Vicente Creek, Sunshine Valley/Dean Creek, Montara Creek; septic issues; Phase II, implementation of CCA Pilot Project (SFEI/ABAG). We tried to identify and encourage linkages between the various proposals and noted the areas that could be highlighted in the grants. Kellyx also noted that other San Mateo Coast proposals such as Pillarcitos and San Gregorio Creek projects are also going forward and would like to have a way to integrate the Coastal projects if possible.

7. Begin to identify watershed hot spots and site specific research and planning needs

We did not really get to this item. Rather, Rainer indicated that folks should e-mail him information on known hot spots or problem areas in the MidCoast. Examples include areas prone to flooding, beach closures or advisories, etc.

**Action Item: Everyone e-mail Rainer [rainer@sfei.org](mailto:rainer@sfei.org) about any known hot spots or problem areas in the watersheds.**

8. Discuss status of Action Items/progress made on Watershed Assessment tasks

The subcommittee did not give progress updates on the Watershed Assessment tasks due to time constraints. Lisa has included as an attachment the watershed assessment tasks and breakout of volunteer teams to compile and assemble material.

**Action Item: Subcommittee please look at the attachment-Watershed Assessment Tasks. Determine what is feasible to achieve by August 2006 and let Lisa know by June 24, 2006. If others would like to contribute, please let the teams know.**

9. Next steps/Next meeting date.

The subcommittee discussed holding a full stakeholder meeting, possibly a watershed stewardship event, sometime in the Winter of 2006. At that point, SFEI and ABAG will be progressing on technical tasks, developing surveys, and could benefit from input from the larger stakeholder group. Our next CCA Pilot subcommittee meeting will be **Thursday, August 10, 2006 1pm-4pm** at the Montara Water and Sanitary District office.

**Other:**

The subcommittee agreed that it would be beneficial to include Surfrider as part of the subcommittee to provide a local perspective on monitoring and water quality.

**Action Item: Lisa will ask CarolAnn Towe if she would be able to join the Subcommittee**

Other Agency participation in Pilot Project:

**Action Item: Carmen will talk to Brendan at Regional Board re: finding an appropriate Caltrans representative for CCA project. (carry over from last meeting)**

**Action Item: Kathryn to contact Grenada Sanitary District and Coastside County Water District re: participation in the CCA Pilot Project (carry over from last meeting)**