

CALIFORNIA WATER QUALITY MONITORING COUNCIL
MONITORING COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2023 – 10:30 AM TO 4:30 PM

Southern California Coastal Water Research Project
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IMPORTANT INFORMATION!!

Meetings of the California Water Quality Monitoring Council (Monitoring Council) are open to the public. Times indicated in the agenda are approximate. The order of agenda items is subject to change. Actions of the Monitoring Council are advisory to the Secretaries of the California Environmental Protection Agency and the California Natural Resources Agency.

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This meeting will occur with both a physical meeting location and an option for the public to participate from a remote location.

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ITEM: 1	Timeslot: 10:30 – 10:40
Title of Topic:	Council Attendance and Housekeeping
Purpose:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) In person Council Member and Workgroup Attendance. 2) Review agenda for today's meeting. 3) Review comments on draft action items from the June 1, 2023 Monitoring Council meeting.
Desired Outcome:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) Preview what will be covered today and overall meeting expectations. b) Adjust today's agenda, as needed. c) Finalize the June 1, 2023 Monitoring Council meeting action items.
Attachment Link:	June 1, 2023 Monitoring Council meeting action items
Contact Person:	Nick Martorano, Nicholas.Martorano@waterboards.ca.gov

ITEM: 2	Timeslot: 10:40 – 10:45
Title of Topic:	Public Forum
Purpose:	Any member of the public may address and ask questions of the Monitoring Council relating to any matter within the Council's jurisdiction under California Water Code Section 13181 (CWC 13181) provided the matter is not on the agenda.
Desired Outcome:	Information and potential agenda topics for a future meeting. No decisions can be made regarding items that have not received prior public notice.
Attachment Link:	CWC 13181
Contact Person:	Nick Martorano, Nicholas.Martorano@waterboards.ca.gov

ITEM: 3	Timeslot: 10:45 – 11:15
Title of Topic:	Announcements and Updates
Purpose:	These are expected to be brief informational items that could be expanded into more detailed discussions at future meetings: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) Monitoring Council Member Updates (All) b) Director Update
Desired Outcome:	Enlightenment and information sharing.
Contact Person:	Nick Martorano, Nicholas.Martorano@waterboards.ca.gov

ITEM: 4	Timeslot: 11:15 – 11:45
Title of Topic:	Microplastics Monitoring: The Big Picture
Purpose:	Summary of the Ocean Protection Council’s Statewide Microplastics Strategy, highlighting notable intersections with the State Water Board, including development of Statewide Plastics Monitoring Strategy & Plan.
Desired Outcome:	Enlightenment and feedback.
Contact Person:	Scott Coffin, scott.coffin@waterboards.ca.gov Kaitlyn Kalua, kaitlyn.kalua@resources.ca.gov

ITEM: 5	Timeslot: 11:45 – 11:55
Title of Topic:	Where are we monitoring? Division of Drinking Water’s Plan
Purpose:	Provide overview and updates on the Division’s 4-yr monitoring and reporting plan for microplastics in drinking water. Notable updates from the ongoing Pilot Phase will be highlighted.
Desired Outcome:	Enlightenment and feedback.
Contact Person:	Scott Coffin

ITEM: 6	Timeslot: 11:55 – 12:25
Title of Topic:	Where are we monitoring? San Francisco Bay Monitoring
Purpose:	Provide an overview of the microplastics monitoring in the San Francisco Bay, including summary of major findings, updated management questions, and future monitoring priorities.
Desired Outcome:	Enlightenment and feedback.
Contact Person:	Diana Lin, diana@sfei.org

Lunch	Timeslot: 12:25 – 1:25
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ITEM: 7	Timeslot: 1:30 - 1:45
Title of Topic:	Monterey Bay Pilot Study
Purpose:	Provide an overview of a new project in Monterey Bay to close a mass balance on microplastics to the bay.
Desired Outcome:	Enlightenment and feedback
Contact Person:	Win Cowger, win@mooreplasticresearch.org Matt Savoca, msavoca13@gmail.com

ITEM: 8	Timeslot: 1:45 – 1:55
Title of Topic:	Where are we monitoring? Southern California Bight Monitoring.
Purpose:	Provide an overview of the Southern California Bight Regional Monitoring program with specific emphasis on incorporation of trash and microplastics into regional programs.
Desired Outcome:	Enlightenment and feedback.
Contact Person:	Karen McLaughlin, karenm@sccwrp.org

ITEM: 9	Timeslot: 1:55 – 2:10
Title of Topic:	Microplastics Field Methods Development
Purpose:	Provide background and status update of current efforts to standardize sample collection methods for microplastics with special emphasis on collecting samples from stormwater flows.
Desired Outcome:	Enlightenment and feedback.
Contact Person:	Leah Thornton Hampton, leahth@sccwrp.org Andy Gray, agray@ucr.edu

ITEM: 10	Timeslot: 2:10 – 2:45
Title of Topic:	Microplastics Lab Methods Development
Purpose:	Provide an overview of the state of standardization of laboratory methods for extracting and measuring microplastics in environmental samples, with specific emphasis on what is ready for monitoring needs now, and what knowledge gaps exist.
Desired Outcome:	Enlightenment and feedback.
Contact Person:	Charles Wong, charlesw@sccwrp.org

ITEM: 11	Timeslot: 2:45 – 3:15
Title of Topic:	Microplastics Data Analysis Methods Development
Purpose:	Provide an overview of the state of microplastics information and management in California.
Desired Outcome:	Enlightenment and feedback
Contact Person:	Win Cowger, win@mooreplasticresearch.org

Break	Timeslot: 3:15 - 3:25 minutes
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ITEM: 12	Timeslot: 3:25 - 3:45
Title of Topic:	SMC BMP Monitoring: Microplastics and Tools to Standardize Data Collection and Assessment
Purpose:	Introduce the Southern California Stormwater Monitoring Coalition’s Regional BMP Monitoring Network’s research plan to measure water quality effectiveness of BMPs, including microplastics, and demonstrate tools SCCWRP has developed to standardize BMP data processing and reporting for the region.
Desired Outcome:	Enlightenment and feedback
Contact Person:	Elizabeth Fassman-Beck, elizabethfb@sccwrp.org

ITEM: 13	Timeslot: 3:45 - 4:25 minutes
Title of Topic:	Safe to Eat Workgroup Updates
Purpose:	Update the Council on recent monitoring & STEW efforts, the strategic SWAMP Bioaccumulation Monitoring Program Realignment, and 2024 Long-term Monitoring Priorities Assessment activities.
Desired Outcome:	Enlightenment and feedback
Contact Person:	Anna Holder, Anna.Holder@waterboards.ca.gov

ITEM: 14	Timeslot: 4:25 – 4:30
Title of Topic:	2024 Meeting Planning
Purpose:	Look at dates for next year’s meetings as well as topics. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● OAH has been proposed for a spring hybrid meeting.
Desired Outcome:	Develop dates agenda ideas for the next Monitoring Council meeting.
Contact Person:	Nick Martorano, Nicholas.Martorano@waterboards.ca.gov

Meeting Adjourn	Have a great rest of the year!
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