

CALIFORNIA WATER QUALITY MONITORING COUNCIL

**California Estuary Monitoring
Workgroup Meeting Agenda**

Wednesday, November 8 – 9:00 AM to noon

Delta Conservancy Conference Room
1450 Halyard Drive, Suite 6, West Sacramento CA 95691



IMPORTANT INFORMATION

REMOTE ACCESS: There will be web conferencing available via Skype for Business during this meeting. Join the Skype meeting from here: <https://meet.lync.com/cawater-water/kristopher.jones/OMNKM3PR>

Join by Phone at **916-573-2034** (Conference ID: **50833619**)

Item	1	Approx. Time
Title of Topic:	Introduction and Announcements	10 min
Purpose:	1) Introductions and announcements 2) Review notes from last CEMW meeting 3) Review agenda for today	
Desired Outcome:	Approve meeting notes; review action items	
Attachment Links:	Draft notes from September 13 CEMW Meeting	

Item	2	Approx. Time
Title of Topic:	Liaison Reports and Subcommittee Updates	50 min
Purpose:	This agenda item is for the routine update on key activities or decisions made by the Monitoring Council and its other workgroups, the CEMW subcommittees, and any other efforts relevant to the CEMW. 1. Monitoring Council and its Workgroups: Kris Jones (15 min) 2. CEMW Subcommittees (35 min) a. Portal Development (Kris Jones) b. Water Quality and Quantity (Shakoora Azimi-Gayon)	

	<p>c. Living Resources (Kris Jones)</p> <p>d. Strategic Planning (Kris Jones)</p> <p>3. Other data sharing efforts (Russ Ryan and Stephan McCord)</p>
Desired Outcome:	Information exchange
Contact Person:	Kris Jones, Kristopher.Jones@water.ca.gov

Item	3	Approx. Time
Title of Topic:	Collaborative Opportunities for the CEMW	20 min
Purpose:	Kris Jones will provide an update on the proposed partnership with the Interagency Ecological Program, and discuss potential options for collaborative opportunities for the CEMW moving forward.	
Desired Outcome:	Information exchange.	
Contact Person:	Kris Jones, Kristopher.Jones@water.ca.gov	

Item	4	Approx. Time
Title of Topic:	Estuary Portal Enhancements	60 min
Purpose:	34 North will demonstrate the recent updates to the Estuary Portal, in preparation for the Monitoring Council meeting demonstration on November 28.	
Desired Outcome:	Receive guidance for future portal enhancements and address any questions or concerns in advance of the upcoming Monitoring Council meeting.	
Contact Person:	Amye Osti, amy@34north.com	

Item	5	Approx. Time
Title of Topic:	CEMW Leadership Positions and Chair Election	30 min
Purpose:	Kris Jones requested that individuals interested in the CEMW Chair position send him details on their background and interest in the position to share in advance of the workgroup meeting (by COB 10/31/17). Kris will facilitate the voting for CEMW Chair position, and lead a discussion regarding other leadership opportunities and identify potential leads.	
Background:	<p>Only one individual expressed interest in the CEMW Chair position. The following details provide background on the candidate and her interest in the position:</p> <p>Sarah Lesmeister is a Senior Environmental Scientist (Specialist) in the Special Studies Research Section of the Department of Water Resources. Sarah received her Bachelors of Science degree in Evolution, Ecology and Biodiversity from UC Davis and her Ph.D. in Ecology from UC Davis as a Delta Science and</p>	

	National Science Foundation GK-12 fellow. Sarah conducts research with various agencies and stakeholders on water quality, nutrients, contaminants, harmful algal blooms and lower trophic food web dynamics in the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta. She serves on multiple interagency teams including the IEP Science Management Team and IEP Data Utilization Work Group and has contributed to the development of the Environmental Monitoring Program's content for the new Estuaries Portal. Sarah would like to serve as Chair of the California Estuary Monitoring Workgroup to provide strategic guidance and leadership, as well as to help its members achieve their goals and build stronger relationships with partners.
Desired Outcome:	Hold elections and select a new CEMW Chair.
Contact Person:	Kris Jones, Kristopher.Jones@water.ca.gov

Item	6	Approx. Time
Title of Topic:	Meeting Wrap-Up	10 min
Purpose:	<p>Identify meeting date and location. Proposed 2018 Meeting Dates include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • February 14 • May 9 • August 8 • November 14 <p>Plan the next CEMW meeting agenda. Proposed meeting topics include:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Liaison Reports and Subcommittee Updates 2) Estuary Portal Content Review 3) CEMW Outreach Strategy 4) IEP Data Readiness Assessments 	
Desired Outcome:	Decide on meeting dates and locations for 2018 as well as agenda topics for the next CEMW meeting.	
Contact Person:	Kris Jones, Kristopher.Jones@water.ca.gov	