San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority Independent Citizens Oversight Committee

SUMMARY MINUTES

April 29, 2021, 9:00 am - 11:30 am

Teleconference
Agenda and attachments available at:
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1. Call to Order

Paul Jones, Chair, Independent Citizens Oversight Committee ("Committee"), called the meeting to order at 9:00 am.

2. Determination of Quorum

Committee Clerk Virgilio Cuasay determined that there was a quorum. Six members were present: Paul Jones (Acting Chair), Nancy Cave, Don Arnold, Jim Fiedler, Doug Wallace, and Terry Young.

3. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

4. Introductions and Announcements

Paul Jones asked Committee members and staff to introduce themselves. Committee members included Paul Jones, Don Arnold, Nancy Cave, Jim Fiedler, Doug Wallace, and Terry Young. Staff members included Sam Schuchat, SFBRA Executive Officer, Amy Hutzel, SFBRA Deputy Executive Officer, Caitlin Sweeney, SFBRA Program Manager, Karen McDowell, SFBRA Deputy Program Manager, Taylor Samuelson, SFBRA Public Information Officer, Virgilio Cuasay, SFBRA Project Manager, and Erica Johnson, SFBRA Project Manager.

5. Approval of Oversight Committee Meeting Minutes of March 22, 2021

The Committee Meeting Minutes of March 22, 2021 were approved unanimously. The motion to approve was started by Jim Fiedler and seconded by Doug Wallace.

6. SFBRA Overview of Grant Program and Round 4 Update

Sam Schuchat, Executive Officer, and Jessica Davenport, Deputy Program Manager presented the Grant Program Overview and provided a Grant Round 4 update using the Overview Memo and Project Table as exhibits.

7. Bay Restoration Regulatory Integration Team (BRRIT) Update

Amy Hutzel, Deputy Executive Officer, and Luisa Valiela, SF Bay Program Lead, EPA, gave a presentation on the BRRIT and answered questions during discussion.

8. Wetlands Regional Monitoring Program (WRMP) Update

Caitlin Sweeney, Director, San Francisco Estuary Partnership, and Tony Hale, Program Director for Environmental Informatics, San Francisco Estuary Institute, gave a presentation on the WRMP and answered questions during discussion.

9. Review of the Draft Report and Recommendations to the Governing Board; and Discussion of Possible Changes to Report

Paul Jones reviewed the draft 2019/2020 report and led the discussion for potential changes in the report.

10. Oversight Committee Meeting Schedule and Next Steps

The next meeting will be held on May 27th, from 2pm – 4pm to approve the report and recommendations that will be presented to the Governing Board at their June 18th meeting. The ad hoc subcommittee will work on the report and recommendations between meetings.

11. Adjourn

Paul Jones adjourned the meeting at 11:38 am.