



San Francisco Bay Joint Venture  
Conservation Delivery Committee Meeting  
June 23, 2016 12:30-4  
SFEI, 4911 Central Ave, Richmond, CA  
Main Meeting Room  
*Summary Notes*

In attendance: *Marc Holmes, Chair (Chair, The Bay Institute), Blake Barbaree (Point Blue, STRAW program), Betsy Bikle (Mill Valley Streamkeepers), Josh Bradt (San Francisco Estuary Partnership), Paul Curfman (WRA), Helen Dickson (The Watershed Project), Tyler Field (Point Blue, Informatics), Colin Grant (USFWS - Tidal Marsh Recovery Program), Jeanne Hammond (Invasive Spartina Project), John Klochak (USFWS - SF Bay Coastal Program), Neoma LaValle (East Bay Regional Park District), Meg Marriott (USFWS - San Pablo Bay Refuge), Kate Roberts (SFEI intern), Barbara Salzman (Marin Audubon), Noreen Weeden (Golden Gate Audubon, by phone), Stuart Siegel (Siegel Environmental), David Thomson (San Francisco Bay Bird Observatory), Kerry Wilcox (Audubon California), Bruce Wolfe (SFB Regional Water Quality Control Board), Julian Wood (Point Blue, SFBay Program), Vanessa Wyant (Point Blue, STRAW program).*

*JV Staff: Beth Huning (Coordinator), Sandra Scoggin (Assistant Coordinator), Caroline Warner (Outreach Coordinator), Michelle Huppert (JV Intern), Marina Binsack (JV Intern)*

**1. Welcome and Introductions** - Participants introduced themselves

**2. Project Announcements and Updates** (All Partners)

Josh Bradt: SFEP received a small grant from EPA to coordinate a task force to develop a regional upland transition zone (UTZ) assessment methodology. (Note from SFBJV - this effort is coordinating with similar efforts led by the SFBJV Science Steering Committee.)

David Thomson: Data from the pilot UTZ mapping is available through the climate commons website. It will eventually also be available on data basin. The project is expanding to the San Pablo Bay.

John Klochak: The USFWS SF Bay Coastal Program has a small amount of funding available for on-the-ground projects. Interested applicants should send a one page write up and budget by Monday and request between \$25,000 and \$100,000.

A project with the San Mateo RCD at Pescadero Marsh for channel inversion/incision will be going to construction starting in late August.

Julian Wood: Point Blue has completed the first draft protocol for secretive marsh bird monitoring. This was completed in partnership with the USFWS Inventory and Monitoring Program.

Bruce Wolfe: The State Board has put out their Draft Procedures for Discharges of Dredged or Fill Materials to Waters of the State. Written comments are due August 4. The policy will likely be adopted this fall.

*Action: The SFBJV Government Affairs and Management Board will review the policy and recommend comments to the SFBJV Management Board.*

### **3. Coordinator's Update - Beth Huning, JV Coordinator**

Beth updated the committee on the status of the Implementation Plan Update. She reviewed the purpose and goals, target audiences, the process and committee structure, and the draft table of contents.

Next steps are:

- ❖ Implementation Plan Team (IPT) finalizing outline - target 6/16
- ❖ Work teams charter/checklist being developed – 6/16
- ❖ Feedback/decision loop populated – 6/16
- ❖ Work teams invited/assigned – 7/16
- ❖ Begin compiling content – 6/16
- ❖ Target for completing project sections – noted as end of 2016, but will likely be revised

### **4. San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority Update - Beth Huning, JV Coordinator**

Beth briefly updated the committee on the election results related to the recent passage of Measure AA and reviewed how the Restoration Authority functions and how grant-making will likely proceed. They will be utilizing the SFBJV project lists as they make their selections, so do make sure your project information is up to date when it comes time to apply. For more information, visit <http://sfbayrestore.org/>.

### **5. Introducing your new Project Tracker!!!**

Sandra Scoggin provided an overview of the JV habitat conservation mission and reviewed how tracking projects is critical to our collective success and accountability. She demonstrated the project promotion summaries and materials that JV staff produce and share to bring more funding, opportunities, and collaboration to the region. Cristina Grosso of SFEI navigated the group through many of the powerful new tools and through the project entry forms. She and Sandra also fielded questions and gathered input from committee members present. Project and program managers are encouraged to explore and think about what additional reports and queries would be valuable as this is an evolving system, intended to meet the tracking and reporting needs of the partnership. Projects are now viewable in [EcoAtlas](#) and editable through [Project Tracker](#). Be sure to let Sandra at [sscoggin@sfbayjv.org](mailto:sscoggin@sfbayjv.org) and [SFEI](#) know how it is working for you and how we can improve it. The SFBJV and SFEI will be offering trainings in the coming months. Contact Sandra to be sure you are on the list to receive notifications about these sessions.

**The CD Committee adjourned to a wine and cheese social to celebrate!!**