Bay RMP Steering Committee Meeting
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San Francisco Estuary Institute

Meeting Summary

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Staff and Others:
- Jay Davis, SFEI
- Amy Kleckner, SFEI
- Martin Trinh, SFEI
- Jen Hunt, SFEI
- Rebecca Sutton, SFEI
- Diana Lin, SFEI
- Luisa Valiela, EPA
- Gerardo Martinez, SF Bay Regional WQCB
- Xavier Fernandez, SF Bay Regional WQCB
1. Introductions and Review Goals for the Meeting

Jay Davis began the meeting by introducing the new RMP manager, Amy Kleckner. Amy provided background on her previous work with the USGS and the Tiburon Center. Additionally, Gerardo Martinez of the SF Bay Regional Water Board will be taking over for Carrie Austin working on Hg TMDLs under Richard Looker. Following introductions from Steering Committee (SC) members, Tom Mumley briefly reviewed the meeting’s agenda. Key agenda items include financial updates, project status updates, workgroup strategy updates, the success of the WQIF proposal, and approval of the 2023 Multi-Year Plan and 2023 budget.

2. Decision: Approve Meeting Summary from MYP Workshop and SC Meeting on November 2, 2022, and Confirm Dates for Future Meetings

Tom Mumley asked the group for any final comments on the previous meeting’s summary. Receiving no comments, he continued to confirm the dates for upcoming meetings. The SC meeting was confirmed for April 26, 2023, and the proposed date of August 10, 2023, was tentatively approved. The Technical Review Committee (TRC) will meet on March 29, 2023 and June 20, 2023.

The RMP Annual Meeting has been confirmed for October 12, 2023. Melissa Foley previously confirmed the David Brower Center was available and that SFEI has a hold on that date.

Action Item:
- Send out calendar invitations for the August 10, 2023 SC meeting (Martin Trinh, February 1, 2023)

Decision:
- Karin North motioned to approve the meeting summary. Adam Olivieri seconded the motion. The motion was carried by all present members.

3. Information: TRC Meeting Summary

Jay Davis provided an overview of the previous Technical Review Committee meeting. Don Yee of SFEI relayed the results of the Bay Margins survey. The North Bay work was recently completed and data analysis is currently underway. This completed the whole margins series with general findings of lower contaminant concentrations in the North Bay than other subembayments. Once normalized for TOC, margins concentrations were observed to be lower than open Bay concentrations. Internal
review has concluded and a draft report will be delivered to the SC and TRC in February.

Jay outlined the update to the Status & Trends (S&T) monitoring plans. The S&T update will be dynamic as the RMP pilots a new design that emphasizes wet weather sampling. Jay mentioned earlier storms that required TRC input on decisions dealing with sampling feasibility related to complications with equipment availability and data value. Jay reiterated that the RMP would be working closely with the TRC as the S&T design is implemented.

Dave Senn of the Nutrient Management Strategy (NMS) presented on the work done on the recent harmful algal bloom (HAB) and plans for additional analysis. Events such as this prompted the TRC to discuss the desire to develop protocols for event-based monitoring such as fires and floods. Richard Looker suggested that the algae bloom response could provide a foundation for developing these protocols. These discussions will take place following the completion of the MYP update.

4. Information: RMP Financial Update for 2022 Quarter 4

Jen Hunt provided the regular financial update for Q4 of 2022. For 2022, 62% of funds have been expended on the year with 94% of invoiced RMP fees collected. There is a surplus of $42k that has been reduced from $138k in the previous quarter after funding for various projects was approved by the SC. Many subtasks within Tasks 1-5 have been closed. For 2021, 80% of funds have been expended with 99% of invoiced fees collected. For 2020, 92% of the budget has been expended and 100% of fees have been collected. For years 2019 and 2018, both years have had 99% of the budget expended and all fees collected. Jen reported earnings of $14.7k (1.51% rate) from the Q3 LAIF. Jen showed the summary of unbudgeted funds and noted the set-aside funds had been steady in recent quarters. There were no requests for encumbrances this quarter. Requests for funds will occur in later agenda items.

5. Information: Review the Status of Incomplete Projects from 2022 and Prior Years

Amy Kleckner of SFEI provided a review of the status of incomplete projects from 2018 to 2022. The final remaining project from 2018 is the non-targeted analysis of sediment that has been delayed in large part to instrument issues and shifting priorities of academic partners. This project has revised its deliverables and will require additional funding to meet its new projected deadline of December 2023. The proposed fact sheet/technical report and associated budget will be discussed further in a later agenda.
item. The collection, analysis, and report on selenium in sturgeon muscle plugs originally planned for 2019 has been delayed as collections were not conducted in 2019, 2020, 2021, and 2022. Collections planned for March and April of 2023 should allow for completion by the end of summer 2023.

Incomplete projects from 2020 include a report on PCB monitoring with passive samplers in Steinberger Slough and Redwood Creek and a report on the North Bay margins sediment sampling. A draft manuscript has been shared with the PCB workgroup and is expected to finalized later this spring after revisions in response to comments from Frank Gobas. The North Bay margins report has an internal draft under review at the moment and is expected to be completed by the end of January. The bathymetric change DEM and report has completed its data release and the report is under review by the USGS, with an estimated completion timeline of December 2023.

Incomplete projects from 2021 include the S&T design review report that is currently being revised after external comments were received. It is expected to be completed by this spring. The update to the DMMO database is in progress and an extension has been requested to allow time to discuss the DMMO Database priorities with the DMMO Database Project Team. SFEI has subcontracted with Exa to revise the data templates. This work is currently in progress. The DMMO Database Project Team met earlier to review the draft templates. SFEI is working on revising the upload scripts and modifying the database to accommodate the streamlined data template structure and is estimated to conclude by this summer. The toxicology thresholds for CECs report is currently in the data analysis phase and a draft will be provided in April for the Emerging Contaminants (EC) Workgroup. Field work has been completed for PCB remediation monitoring in San Leandro Bay, although a delay in lab reporting results has delayed completion of the report to July 2023. The floating percentile methodology draft report has been completed and will produce a final report by April 2023. Finally, for 2021, the integrated modeling and modeling strategy report is currently being written, with an internal draft estimated to be completed by late February.

For incomplete RMP projects from 2022, data are currently being analyzed for the CECs in urban stormwater. All data have been received and staff are actively working with UW partners to interpret data and prepare a manuscript. An update will be provided at the upcoming ECWG meeting. Model development for the in-Bay contaminant model is currently ongoing with an expected completion of 2027. The Watershed Dynamic Model is also in development with an estimated final timeline of Spring 2024. The CEC modeling exploration draft report is in progress, expecting to finalize by the end of this summer. Samples are being collected for the tire related contaminants project, although this is intended to be a multi-year project. For
ethoxylated surfactants, Lee Ferguson of Duke University has been updating analytical methods so samples are still being analyzed. The report for this effort is expected to be completed in 2024. Data are still being collected by the USGS for the sediment delivery to marshes in Central and North Bay report with an expected completion of 2024.

Incomplete SEP projects include the stormwater flow and sediment to the Bay report and data release for which samples are currently being collected. This effort is expected to be completed by winter of 2023. Data analysis has been completed for the North Bay selenium project, with a report in progress. Melissa Foley is still helping out with this effort and Luisa will pass this report on to Diane Fleck of the EPA. A draft report for the sunscreens in water effort is currently in review and is expected to be finalized in June. The reports for settling velocity of suspended sediment in south SF Bay and sediment flux at Benicia Bridge are complete and are currently being reviewed by the USGS. Samples have been collected for quaternary ammonium compound analysis, which is part of a larger NSF effort. SFEI has completed its input for the Bay land use update and is waiting for MTC to release the data. MTC has the final say on layer release that Tan needs for the watershed model; SFEI has a draft that he is using for now. A draft report is nearly complete for the sediment conceptual model, with an expected finalization in March. A report is currently in progress for the sediment delivery to a south SF Bay marsh effort. A draft report is underway for the Integrated watershed-Bay modeling strategy, with an expected completion by the end of this year. The Regional Watershed Spreadsheet Model Update has been put on hold due to the delay in obtaining land use information from the MTC.

The Committee expressed approval of the timelines presented.

6. Decision: Approve Final Multi Year Plan for 2023

Jay noted that a draft of the Multi-Year Plan (MYP) had been shared at the last MYP/SC meeting. Feedback from the SC and TRC has been received and incorporated, and the document is ready to be approved at this meeting. Deletions from the draft MYP include the deletion of deadlines for the Municipal Regional Stormwater Permit, Mercury and PCBs Watershed Permit for Municipal and Industrial Wastewater, and Nutrient Watershed Permit for Municipal Wastewater in 2022, 2022, and 2029, respectively. Each will keep their renewals of 2027, 2027, and 2024 respectively. Additionally, pH, temperature, salinity, and hardness have been removed from the ongoing Determination of Wastewater Permit Limits. Finally, the new state plan on effluent and receiving water toxicity is no longer a driver. Edits and additions to the Decisions, Policies and Actions include the implementations of the mercury and PCB TMDLS in 2027, 303(d) and 305(b) reports in 2023, 2026, and 2029, updates to the
CEC tiered risk-based framework, current use pesticide driver, copper driver, and tribal and subsistence use as a potential future driver. Tom thanked Luisa for suggesting many of these edits.

Decision:
- Eric Dunlavey motioned to approve the final Multi-Year Plan for 2023. Adam Olivieri seconded the motion. The motion was carried by all present members.

7. Information/Decision: Update on SEPs and MMP Funds

Jay began this item by asking the Committee to reaffirm the current SEP list, explaining to the Committee that it is useful for Tom to ensure the list is current and updated. Rebecca Sutton brought up the new pilot for PFAS in harbor seals and porpoises that may be accomplished solely through alternate funding. SEPs that are currently underway include the $119K temporal variability in sediment delivery to a North and a Central San Francisco Bay salt marsh that is expected to be final at the end of February and the new $252K algae bloom data analysis. Regarding cleanup of the SEP list, Eric suggested the year proposed seems an obvious place to start for determining at a high level whether a project might have become "stale" if it has not been pursued for more than 5 years for example. It would not automatically boot a project off the SEP list but would signal the project is in need of closer re-consideration. The Committee reaffirmed the current SEP list.

Jay requested Committee decisions on whether to fund two proposals to use MMP funds. The first proposal was presented previously at the November meeting. The Analysis and Reporting of Non-Targeted Analysis (NTA) for Sediment Data could not be completed by the analytical lab (Lee Ferguson of Duke University) so work will be completed by SFEI. Rebecca Sutton presented four funding options. The first choice is completing a technical report only for $22.8K with the addition of a fact sheet for a total of $34.1K. An alternative is to produce a manuscript for $26.3K, with the option to add a fact sheet for a total of $37.6K. The upgrade from a technical report to a manuscript would be an additional $3.5K with the addition of a fact sheet to either option an additional $11.3K. Becky urged the Committee to think of their target audience for these products. The technical report would be most apt for Committee members and other parties already familiar with the subject. Meanwhile a manuscript would be more accessible to the broader scientific community. There is already much interest in the paint pigments from yellow road paint and if this information is disseminated correctly, it is likely an interested party could help develop future methods. Fact sheets are great concise ways to communicate to everyone. Becky reiterated it is up to the SC how much they are willing to spend and who they want to reach. Tom expressed his support
for any effort that helps show the efficacy of NTA and that would help the RMP become less dependent on academic labs. Amanda gave her vote of support for fact sheets, stating they were more likely to be read and understood by all parties, with Eric seconding this, noting fact sheets were easy for stakeholders to disseminate to peers. Maureen liked the idea of a fact sheet with the caveat that preliminary data from NTA are not used for regulatory purposes.

The second MMP proposal is a new one that has been developed by Becky Sutton with the approval of Melissa Foley. This PFAS in Archived Sport Fish Communications Supplement would supplement a 2022 special study of PFAS in archived sport fish and include the production of a manuscript and presentation at a conference. The Water Board provided funds to this project. Becky explained that the original proposal was a bare bones report. However, motivated by fish consumption as an important exposure pathway, comparable to drinking water, the RMP is hoping to reach larger audiences with these findings. With new analytical methods that encompassed 40 analytes (up from the previous availability of 13 analytes) and the ability to tease out temporal trends. Tom supported disseminating this data but expressed concern that some findings may be sensationalized. Karin agreed that peer-reviewed journals and conferences are a good way to increase RMP visibility. Adam inquired if a short communication would suffice as it is less expensive and labor intensive.

Jay will bring a suggested process for handling MMP proposals to the SC at the April meeting. There is no procedure at the moment.

Action Items:
- Include NMS projects in the SEP list (Jay Davis, February 28, 2023).
- Bring a suggested process for handling MMP proposals to the SC at the April meeting (Jay Davis, April 26, 2023)
- Jay coordinate with RMP staff to clean up the current SEP list, share it with Tom, and then bring it to the SC at the April meeting (Jay Davis, March 30, 2023)

Decisions:
- The Committee reaffirmed the current SEP list.
- Maureen Dunn motioned to approve the completion of a manuscript and fact sheet for the Analysis and Reporting of Non-targeted Analysis (NTA) Sediment Data. Karin North seconded the motion. The motion was carried by all present members.
- Adam Olivieri motioned to approve the PFAS in Archive Sport Fish Communications Supplement. Karin North seconded the motion. The motion was carried by all present members.
8. Decision: Funding Request for Sampling Additional Storms

Alicia Gilbreath of SFEI presented a request for additional funding to sample additional storms in the current water year. With WY2023 already including the second wettest 21-day period in SF in the last 180 years, the RMP has exhausted the funding allocated for this water year. Originally, the stormwater team requested $10K of funds this year in addition to $80K of unused funds rolled over from previous years for a total of $90K to support Pollutants of Concern (Hg, PCBs, and suspended sediment) monitoring. The effort was intended to be a multi-year study to support loads modeling and trends tracking by sampling four to six storms at three flow-gauged locations over two to three years. The study sought to optimize sampling methods for a cost-effective monitoring program to address reductions in pollutant loads required by TMDLs, while comparing strategies for determining annual pollutant loads and determining the power and sample size needed to detect declining trends in concentrations. Earlier years determined that sampling a first flush, a large storm event, and 4-6 total samples per year achieved a decent middle ground of power.

Alicia showed a table that displayed which type of storm had been sampled for each site. Each site still needed a large storm with Guadalupe River and Walnut Creek missing their first flushes. With an extremely strong and able stormwater team this year, Alicia estimates the RMP would be able to handle up to six more events at a cost of $12K per event ($7K for sampling and labor with $5K for laboratory analysis) for a total request of up to $72K to be spent pending the occurrence of targeted storms. Unspent funds would be returned after the wet season. This work would support the developing Watershed Dynamic Model that addresses PCBs and Hg with Tan confirming this number of storms was sufficient to support the model. The TRC echoed strong support for this request. Alicia clarified that sampling more storms now could decrease the need to sample storms in later, potentially drier years. Maureen inquired as to why two sites were not able to be sampled at first flush, with Alicia explaining a variety of factors contributed to this especially as Guadalupe River and Walnut Creek are rain shadowed. Tom weighed in, clarifying that first flush is variable depending on the watershed and pollutant. $90K has already been expended this first year of a three year effort. Committee members noted that the upcoming PCB TMDL should be a priority with first flush data for Guadalupe River deemed important. Tetra Tech monitored Hg in the Guadalupe watershed this year and has hit their quota so nobody is currently slated to monitor future events there. Eric stated that with the wet year the Bay Area is currently experiencing, SFEI should take advantage of this opportunity.

The Committee inquired about SFEI’s ability to sample multiple sites in the same storm. Alicia clarified that this was the strongest stormwater team in recent years with
seven to eight potential leads. Maureen voiced support for this, along with Tom. Dialogue will continue at the Sources, Pathways, and Loadings Workgroup meeting. If six storms do not occur this water year, the funds would not automatically roll over to future years and be returned instead.

**Decision:**
- Karin North motioned to approve the allocation of $72K (initially from the 3022 unallocated funds, then from SEP MMP funds if necessary) to support the POC study in the case of six additional storms this year. Maureen Dunn seconded the motion. The motion was carried by all present members.

**9. Information: Progress on Workgroup Strategy Updates**

Jay will send slides to the SC summarizing the progress workgroups are making in determining their strategy for the upcoming MYP redesign. The SC and TRC will be able to share feedback at their respective upcoming meetings.

**10. Discussion: Factors to Consider in Activating or Deactivating Workgroups**

Jay will send an email to the SC outlining the proposed procedures in determining the status of workgroups.

**11. Discussion: Adding an Advisor to the Microplastic Workgroup**

Diana Lin of the Microplastics Workgroup proposed the addition of an advisor to the Workgroup. The upcoming Microplastics Strategy aims to provide pivotal guidance for the RMP and other collaborators by revising management questions, prioritizing monitoring data needs, providing leadership in steering science and management discussions, and demonstrating RMP collaborative approach and philosophy for the upcoming State Plastics Monitoring Strategy. The Ocean Protection Council (OPC) just approved $3.6 million to address plastics with $750K reserved for a Statewide Plastics Monitoring Strategy and Plan. There is also a $2.5 million proposal to implement a pilot monitoring program. At the moment, the Microplastics Workgroup only has one advisor, who has been influential in determining the new strategy recently approved by the SC. Diana proposed adding a new advisor, Dr. Barbara Beckingham, an associate professor at the College of Charleston, South Carolina. Her research on legacy and emerging contaminants, with an emphasis on microplastics and tirewear particles align with those of the RMP. Her engineering and chemistry background will provide valuable guidance on the Microplastics Strategy. The budget to add an advisor would be $2.5K annually for
the honorarium as well as $2K for travel expenses in the event that the RMP returns to in-person meetings. Tom and Luisa inquired as to the level of OPC and statewide support, with Tom expressing that he has become more supportive of microplastics work as statewide and third-party support has increased recently.

Decision:
- Eric Dunlavey motioned to approve the addition of Dr. Barbara Beckingham as an advisor to the RMP Microplastic workgroup. Amanda Roa seconded the motion. The motion was carried by all present members.

12. Discussion: Funding Additional Items as Part of Status and Trends

Continuing discussion from the MYP workshop, the SC discussed whether regular pathway monitoring should be included in S&T as an early indicator and if model maintenance tasks should be moved out of the special studies budget and into the S&T budget or other long-term pot of funding. Jay proposed a decision process that starts with special studies under ECWG (similar to other S&T matrices). High priority CECs that are identified become candidates for S&T pathway monitoring with proposed monitoring feeding into the S&T review process outlined at the MYP Workshop (starting with the S&T Review Subcommittee [S&TRS] then reviewing with advisors after which designs are finalized by the TRC and then approved by the SC). The S&T design will be reevaluated after three years but possibly sooner. Adam Olivieri reminded the group of the significant costs committed to the last redesign of the S&T this past year, but Jay stated that regular check-ins (as opposed to the first redesign in twenty years) would be significantly cheaper. Tom supported this structure.

Model maintenance does not fit neatly into the S&T, so Jay has proposed creating a new category for these necessary funds. Proposed titles include “long term elements, core elements, model maintenance”. Examples of model maintenance currently needed include the watershed dynamic model ($50k/year starting in 2024) and the in-Bay fate model ($150K/year starting in 2026). Jay brought forth a proposed process to address model maintenance. Proposed scopes would be peer reviewed by relevant workgroups with approved scopes reviewed by the TRC and then approved by the SC. However, funds would come from the new budget category. After work is performed, future scopes will be reviewed every two to three years by the relevant workgroup. Eric noted a concern about the turnover of both models and modelers as time goes on, questioning what would sustain nutrient work in the future. Tom explained that model maintenance would be essential. Adam suggested charging fees to what are open source models at the moment, with Eric seconding this. However, with the influx of EPA money, this will
have to be discussed further in the future. This could be housed under the EPA's new program office with an understanding that a certain amount of funds are needed to support O&M. This could be a place to look for base funding in the future. Tom also emphasized that the RMP's relationship with the USACE is as strong as ever. As the RMP enters workgroup season and the annual special studies funding process, the summer SC meeting will be a key checkpoint. The Committee gave a general consensus of allowing Jay to create the appropriate funding categories as necessary.

**Action Items:**
- Prepare a proposal for WDM maintenance for review by the SPLWG (Tan Zi, May 2023)

**Decisions:**
- Allow inclusion of pathway monitoring in S&T and model maintenance in a separate long-term funding category following the process outlined in this item.

13. **Information: Successful Water Quality Improvement Fund Proposal – Destination Clean Bay (and Carquinez Strait Fish)**

Jay reviewed the successful Water Quality Improvement Fund (WQIF) proposals the RMP recently submitted and had been involved in. Destination Clean Bay was a joint proposal by the RMP and NMS that aims to identify optimal paths to meeting water quality goals by using monitoring and modeling as decision support tools. Observations made through monitoring will inform the modeling decision support tools that will aid in the development of management plans. The EPA will provide matching funds of approximately $3 million to support this effort. Task 1 will prioritize data collection for model development with $980k provided by the EPA. The RMP will monitor local tributaries and Bay water for PCBs, CECs, and nutrients. The EPA funds will primarily be allocated for labor. The CEC stormwater task was allocated $287k for labor and direct expenses, including $30k for labs and $67k for equipment such as the development of remote samplers. The NMS will focus on monitoring shoals and developing remote sensors to track suspended sediment and nutrients in the open Bay. Task 2 will focus on creating models to estimate PCB, CEC, and nutrients loadings from the watersheds of the SF Bay. With $1.22 million in funds from the EPA, Task 3 will focus on creating a management toolbox to evaluate the fate and transport of sediment, PCBs, and CECs using models. Task 4 will be supported by $780k of EPA funds to evaluate future scenarios and identify nutrient management alternatives and nature-based solutions. Jay clarified that this collective effort will occur over a timeline of four years.
Jay concluded the item by sharing a WQIF project that will complement the RMP. All Positives Possible (APP), a community-based organization that supports African-American community members based in Vallejo, will lead the Carquinez Strait Fish and Preservation Project. With a total budget of $949k, the effort will involve RMP-style and citizen science fish collection and include a consumption survey. $400k will be available to SFEI (and subcontractors) to lead fish monitoring efforts. The study will be fully comparable to RMP studies and will focus on mercury (Hg), PCBs, and PFAS. This effort is expected to be conducted in this upcoming year.

Karin expressed concerns about staffing and budget to support these efforts but Jay assured the Committee that SFEI will be proactive in hiring as well as finding staffing options.

14. Discussion: Communications

For this agenda item, Jay gave a brief review of various RMP communication products. Jay thanked all involved for their contributions to the 2022 Pulse. Keeping up with the theme of the 50th Anniversary of the Clean Water Act, Jay contributed to an op-ed published in the San Francisco Chronicle reflecting on the Act. Content from the Pulse has also been the basis of recent presentations to the San Mateo County CCAG and Contra Costa Clean Water Program Management Committee.

Jay then gave a quick summary of attendee feedback following the 2022 Annual Meeting. 85 people attended the event in person at the David Brower Center, joined by 245 online participants on Zoom. Survey results indicated favorable feedback, with the hybrid format and individual speakers being lauded in particular. The Center has been reserved for October 12, 2023 for the upcoming Annual Meeting. Jay informed the group that the Estuary News will be sunsetting, with its final issue coming in March 2023. Ariel Rubissow Okamoto has expressed interest in a final RMP article related to the issue theme of restoration.

Jay concluded the item by reviewing the communications strategy developed by the Steering Committee in 2014. He noted that many communications elements have changed over the years, for example noting how the Annual Meeting’s new hybrid format has allowed for a wider audience. A poll was sent out to survey SC and TRC members on which communications products to prioritize.

The SC unanimously agreed that the website should be a priority. Luisa suggested that SFEI investigate which pages are drawing the most web traffic, making sure to prioritize those pages in the redesign. Eric agrees that the website update will be integral to communications, with the website serving as a landing spot for other
resources and should be among the primary locations the RMP can direct interested parties to. With many efforts being conducted on environmental justice and fish data, Maureen questioned the group on the best way to get that data to the public. Luisa suggested one-page summaries as accessible material that could feature on the website. Tom supported Luisa’s one-page summary and Jay’s fact sheet suggestions, stating that investing the time to create concise, communicable products using simple language would benefit both the public as well as Committee members. Adam reiterated that key resources such as presentations, executive summaries, and abstracts should be easily accessible on the website.

15. Discussion: Status of RMP Deliverables and Action Items
   Amy briefly reviewed the status of RMP deliverables and action items, which can be found in further detail in Agenda Item 5.

16. Discussion: Plan Agenda Items for Future Meetings
   Jay will work with Tom and Karin to plan agenda items for the upcoming SC meeting on April 26, 2023.

17. Discussion: Plus/Delta
   The group commended Amy’s work in contributing to her first SC meeting. The SC will target a return to a hybrid meeting format for upcoming meetings.

18. Adjourn