# SCIENCE & SOLUTIONS for

## MICROPLASTIC POLLUTION

October 2nd, 2019 · 9 am to 4 pm at the David Brower Center · 2150 Allston Way, Berkeley CA

Registration starts at 8 am | Social hour 4 to 6 pm

### **OPENING**

#### 9:00 Welcome and Introduction

Warner Chabot, Executive Director, San Francisco Estuary Institute

#### 9:15 INTRODUCTORY KEYNOTE

The Big Picture from the Ocean Protection Council

Mark Gold, Deputy Resources Secretary for Coast and Oceans and Executive Director, Ocean Protection Council

**9:35** Potential impacts of microplastics on marine, freshwater, and terrestrial organisms:

What we know and what we need to know to better assess risk

**GUEST EXPERT •** Susanne Brander, Oregon State University at Corvallis

## **SESSION 1** • New Findings from the San Francisco Bay Microplastics Project

#### 9:55 Science Panel

- Study Objectives Meg Sedlak, SFEI
- Microplastics in Bay and Ocean Waters Carolynn Box, 5 Gyres
- Microplastics in Sediment and Fish Diana Lin, SFEI
- Microplastics in Wastewater and Stormwater Alicia Gilbreath, SFEI

**DISCUSSION • Moderated by** Rebecca Sutton, SFEI with **Technical Expert** Xia Zhu, University of Toronto

#### 10:50 BREAK

11:10 From Land to Sea: Models to Trace the Movement of Microplastics in the Bay and Ocean

Rusty Holleman, University of California at Davis

11:25 The Future of Microplastic Science

Chelsea Rochman, University of Toronto

11:45 Next Steps for Science and Monitoring in the San Francisco Bay and California

Rebecca Sutton, SFEI, and Shelly Moore, Southern California Coastal Water Research Project (SCCWRP)

12:00 LUNCH

## **FOCUS ON SOLUTIONS**

1:00 Introduction

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#### 1:05 AFTERNOON KEYNOTE

The Big Picture from CalEPA

Jared Blumenfeld, Secretary for Environmental Protection, CalEPA

### **SESSION 2** • Bay Area Solutions to Reduce Microplastics Pollution

- 1:20 Youth Stakeholders and the Importance of our Influence and Diversity

  Cambria Bartlett and Damian Montesinos, Heirs to our Oceans
- **1:25** Data Driven Solutions for Microplastics Pollution in San Francisco Bay Carolynn Box and Anna Cummins, 5 Gyres
- 1:45 Policy Panel: Local Actions to Drive Change
  - Miriam Gordon, Upstream
  - Jen Jackson, Department of the Environment, San Francisco
  - Martin Bourque, Berkeley Ecology Center
  - · Chris Sommers, EOA
  - · Sherry Lippiatt, National Oceanic Atmospheric Administration

**DISCUSSION • Moderated by** Jen Jackson

**2:30 BREAK** 

## **SESSION 3** • Rising to the Challenge, Microfibers and More

- 2:45 What does Design Change Look like for Textile Industry?
  GUEST EXPERT Krystle Moody Wood, Materevolve, LLC.
- **3:05** Case Study on Effectiveness of Filtration that Could be Applied in Bay Area Lisa Erdle, University of Toronto
- **3:25** BIG Trends in MICROplastics Legislation in California Nick Lapis, Californians Against Waste
- **3:45** Highlights from the Plastic Pollution Movement: Bay Area and Beyond Marcus Eriksen, 5 Gyres
- 4:00 ADJOURN TO SOCIAL HOUR (Foyer)





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