

Tidal Monitoring and Analysis Workgroup Wednesday, July 10 2013 10:00AM – 3:00PM

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AGENDA

10:00 – 10:05 Welcome, introductions, announcements – W. Boynton, Chair (UMCES-CBL)

No August TMAW meeting, unless necessary

10:05 – 10:30 Brief Tidal Indicators Refresher – L. Hernandez (UMCES-CBPO)

L. Hernandez will provide a brief overview of the current tidal indicators framework and the current objectives of CBPO.

10:30 – 10:45 Chlorophyll *a* **Replicate Analysis** – L. Hernandez (UMCES-CBPO) and E. Perry (Statistical Consultant)

L. Hernandez and E. Perry will present the results of their work related to using random replicates (CBPO) vs. the average of replicates (UMCES) for the chlorophyll *a* indicator data analysis.

Action: Vote on which handling technique to use for continued data analysis.

10:45 – 11:05 A Surrogate for the Baywide PIBI – C. Buchanan (ICPRB)

C. Buchanan will present her work on the development of a "phytoplankton habitat index" (PHI).

11:05 – 11:30 Water Quality Indicator – L. Hernandez (UMCES-CBPO)

L. Hernandez will present her work related to the development of a combined, water quality standards based indicator.

L. Hernandez will provide the group with options for changes to the current indicator framework considering Partnership priorities.

Action: Provide feedback on next steps and continued guidance.

12:00 – 1:00 Lunch

1:00 – 3:00 Monitoring Budget Update and Discussion of Next Steps for Addressing Short-falls – P. Tango (USGS-CBPO)

P. Tango will provide a status update of the projected monitoring budget cuts. STAR leadership has asked TMAW and the NTWG to develop options to address the near-term and long-term funding cuts.

** Near-term recommendation need to be finalized by end of July.

For the development of long-term recommendations, we will initiate the MRAT II process where we will be working with STAC and others to look at options for sustaining the networks in the future.

Action: Develop options to address the near-term and long-term funding cuts.

NEXT TMAW MEETING:

Joe Mackins memorial Conference Room (Fish Shack), Annapolis, MD September 5, 2013 10:00AM-3:00PM