

EXECUTIVE OFFICER SUMMARY REPORT
AUGUST 14, 2013

ITEM: 9

SUBJECT: Information Item: Briefing on San Diego Bay Spill Response, Sea Level Rise Adaptation Strategy, and Monitoring and Assessment Activities (*Melissa Valdovinos*)

PURPOSE: To provide an update on activities associated with spill response, sea level rise, and monitoring in San Diego Bay.

RECOMMENDATION: None

KEY ISSUES: None

DISCUSSION: San Diego Bay, one of the finest natural harbors in the world, is an important and valuable resource to San Diego and the Southern California Region. The Bay provides habitat for fish and wildlife, extensive commercial and industrial economic benefits, and recreational opportunities to residents and visitors. It is also a key element for the military security of the United States. It is imperative to achieve healthy waters in the Bay by protecting and restoring the chemical, physical, and biological integrity so we may continue to enjoy the many benefits of this local treasure.

A wide variety of stakeholders actively track pollution and monitor conditions in the Bay. Representatives from some of the active stakeholder groups will provide brief updates on activities in the Bay:

San Diego Regional Water Quality Control Board
Spill Response

United States Coast Guard
Spill Response

Navy Region Southwest
Spill Response

San Diego Coastkeeper

Geographic Information System Mapping of Spills

Southern California Coastal Water Research Project

Southern California Bight Regional Monitoring Program

San Diego Regional Water Quality Control Board

Focusing on What is Most Important for Improving the Health of San Diego Bay: How *A Framework for Monitoring and Assessment in the San Diego Region* Can Help

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/sandiego/board_info/agendas/2012/Dec/item9/Item_9-Supporting_Doc_2.pdf

San Diego Foundation

Sea Level Rise Adaptation Strategy for San Diego Bay

http://www.icleiusa.org/static/San_Diego_Bay_SLR_Adaptation_Strategy_Complete.pdf

LEGAL CONCERNS: None

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS: Figure of San Diego Bay