



bay restoration commission

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To: SMBRC Governing Board

From: Scott Valor, Director of Government Affairs

Re: Nomination of One Member of the SMBRC Governing Board to Serve on the SMBRA (JPA) Governing Board

Summary

The Governing Board of the Santa Monica Bay Restoration Authority (the “JPA”) is comprised of five members, the Director of the Los Angeles County Flood Control District (Director Gail Farber), the County Supervisor who serves on the SMBRC Governing Board (Supervisor Yaroslavsky), and three voting members of the SMBRC Governing Board elected by their peers.

There is currently one vacancy in the category of three voting members of the SMBRC, due to the departure of Richard Bloom to the State Legislature (a non-voting member of the Governing Board). The other two positions are held by John Sibert (City of Malibu) and Sarah Sikich (Heal The Bay).

The nomination period for the open position is now open and will close Tuesday, June 17th. Nominations should be sent to Scott Valor at svalor@santamonica.org. Floor nominations will also be accepted at the SMBRC Governing Board meeting on June 19 where the election will take place.

Any voting member of the SMBRC Governing Board is eligible for the JPA Governing Board position.

Background

The JPA was formed in 2004 as a Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement between the Los Angeles County Flood Control District and the SMBRC to develop and facilitate programs for the protection and enhancement of the natural resources of the Santa Monica Bay Watershed. The JPA allows the Santa Monica Bay National Estuary Program to support certain programs including, most notably, our popular and diverse Boater Education Program.

The JPA meets infrequently, as needed, to consider and review new and existing programs as needed. Unlike the Executive Committee, the time commitment for serving on the JPA is relatively small. However, when meetings do occur, it is important that JPA board members be available to establish a quorum to conduct business.

our mission: to restore and enhance the santa monica bay through actions and partnerships that improve water quality, conserve and rehabilitate natural resources, and protect the bay's benefits and values

