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Agenda Item 3b

To: SMBRC Governing Board

From: Guangyu Wang, Chief Administrative Director

Re: Santa Monica Bay National Estuary Program (SMBNEP) Fiscal Year 2019 Work Plan

Action Requested of the Governing Board:

- Approve the SMBNEP Fiscal Year 2019 Work Plan

Background

Each year, the SMBRC collaborates with The Bay Foundation (TBF) to prepare and submit a work plan of the Santa Monica Bay National Estuary Program (SMBNEP) to USEPA that identifies the expected tasks and activities necessary to implement the Bay Restoration Plan (BRP). USEPA uses the annual work plan to track grant expenditures and progress toward achieving the program's objectives, and to compile information on the environmental outcomes of work plan implementation.

The annual work plan for the federal fiscal year 2019 (FY 2019) covers the time period between October 1st, 2018 and September 30, 2019 and it must be submitted to USEPA before the end of April to meet the deadlines for work plan review and approval by USEPA.

A preliminary draft work plan was distributed to the Governing Board members for review and input in early February. A presentation on the draft work plan was made at the February 15 SMBRC Governing Board meeting to further solicit input from Board members.

A Working Final Draft Work Plan was completed and distributed to Board members, alternates, members of the Watershed Advisory Council and other interested parties for review on April 6. This final draft addressed all comments received to date and includes three additional Work Plan sections in the document:

- 1) FY 2019 Estimated Budget - SMBNEP Budget for October 1, 2018 - September 30, 2019. (Page 40)
- 2) Environmental Outputs & Outcomes Table - This table describes predicted environmental results of projects and programs implemented by the SMBNEP under this work plan. (Page 53)
- 3) SMBNEP Staffing - Lists staff members and responsibilities. (Page 69)

The entire draft work plan document can be viewed and downloaded at the SMBRC website

(http://www.smbrc.ca.gov/about_us/agendas/2018apr/Agenda%20Item%203b%20-%20FY19%20SMBNEP%20Work%20Plan_4-5-18.pdf). Deadline for comments on

these three sections as well as the entirety of the Work Plan was set for April 16.

Summary of comments received and staff responses to the comments will be provided to Governing Board members prior to the April 19 Governing Board meeting. Oral comments will also be accepted at the April 19th Governing Board meeting.

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