



BENTHIC HABs WORKGROUP MEETING

Web Conference URL: <https://www.webmeeting.att.com> Meeting #5114686455; Participant Code: 737852

Audio-Only Callers: Toll Free: (888) 240-3210 Guest passcode: 576754

January 23, 2018 – 12:30 PM to 2:00 PM Pacific Standard Time

ITEM 1	Meeting Overview and Housekeeping	Time: 5 minutes 12:30 to 12:35 PM
Purpose	Welcome & Introductions	Lisa Bernard, North Coast Regional Water Board, CA
ITEM 2	Objectives of a Benthic HABs Workgroup	Time: 10 minutes 12:35 to 12:45 PM
Purpose	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> International workgroup developed to gain a better understanding of benthic cyanobacteria, their habitat preferences, and toxins they produce Share experiences and lessons learned Share data collection and lab analyses protocols 	Lisa Bernard, North Coast Regional Water Board, CA
Desired Outcome	Provide background on the purpose and goals of the workgroup and information for ongoing participation and coordination	
ITEM 3	Survey Results	Time: 15 minutes 12:45 to 1:00 PM
Purpose	Benthic HAB Workgroup Contacts and Survey Summary  02_Benthic HAB Workgroup Contact	Lisa Bernard, North Coast Regional Water Board, CA
Desired Outcome	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review top 5 areas of interest and elicit additional topics Discuss proposed 2018 workgroup meeting schedule and topics Discuss the interest in developing a Benthic HABs Workgroup website 	
ITEM 4	Presentation	Time: 30 minutes 1:00 to 1:30 PM
Purpose	<i>Benthic Cyanobacteria: Drinking Water Reservoirs</i>  Benthic Cyanobacteria MWT	Margaret Spoo-Chupka, Phycologist with Metropolitan Water District, CA
Desired Outcome	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Information on Metropolitan's benthic HABs monitoring program in drinking water reservoirs Presenter requesting workgroup feedback on the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assistance required on taxonomy identification (she'll show photos) Question - In a reservoir with benthic toxin producers, what is the best sampling to determine the wider impacts of the producer? (e.g., sample the mat, 1-meter above the mat, etc.) 	
ITEM 5	Open Discussion	Time: 20 minutes 1:30 to 1:50 PM
Purpose	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hear thoughts from other participants 	All
Desired Outcome	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discuss other participants benthic HAB monitoring programs Announce any upcoming research projects, recent journal publications, or conferences 	
ITEM 6	Wrap Up and Next Steps	Time: 10 minutes 1:50 to 2:00 PM
Purpose	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify action items and next steps Next workgroup meeting - May 22, 2018 Topic: Monitoring and Data Collection 	Lisa Bernard, North Coast Regional Water Board, CA

Benthic HAB Workgroup Facilitators – Contact us to join the workgroup or to be a presenter!

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