



**Ballona Wetlands Restoration Project
Scientific Advisory Committee Meeting
Agenda**

**January 15-16, 2007
9:00 am – 4:00 pm**

Loyola Marymount University

January 15th - North Hall Room 200

Introductions

Purpose of the Meeting: Rich /Eric
SAC input into development of alternatives

Review Draft Alternatives Jeff
Purpose and origin of alternatives

Discussion of Alternatives: SAC
Purpose of this discussion is to get feedback on each of the alternatives and help direct the team to optimize these alternatives.

1. Discuss general layouts of each alternative/option
2. Do the alternatives cover the appropriate range of options
3. What information would be needed to evaluate each alternative?
4. What are the key considerations for evaluation of each alternative?

Lunch

Continue Alternatives Discussion SAC

Water Quality Eric/Jeff
Review approach for strategy document
Direction for water quality subcommittee

Public Questions/Comments (30 min)

Adjourn

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cups or papers in your area before you leave.
LEAVE NO TRACE**

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Purpose of the Meeting: Rich /Eric
Pre-restoration Performance Monitoring

IWRAP Program Recommended Indicators Eric/Rich
Prioritization for Ballona

Lunch

Additional Monitoring Priorities for Ballona SAC
1. What additional monitoring would need to be done to evaluate project goals and objectives?
2. Do we need to make the objectives more specific in order to design the monitoring program?
3. Mechanism to address additional monitoring needs for regulatory compliance and/or other purposes

Protocol Development Process Jeff Crooks

Schedule for baseline data collection SAC

Public Questions/Comments (30 min)

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PRINCIPLES OF ENGAGEMENT

As members of the Ballona Wetlands Restoration Working Group (Working Group), we are all in this together. We are a team. We succeed as a team, or fail as a team. Participants are responsible for seeing this process through to the end.

Basic Conduct: The conduct of the discussions of the Working Group will include a commitment to:

- Focus on the future,
- Refrain from personal attacks, and
- Avoid surprises.

Disagreements between participants will be regarded as problems to be solved rather than battles to be won. The deliberations and recommendations of the Working Group will be guided by their roles and responsibilities as articulated by the convening agencies (SCC, SLC and DFG).

Participant Responsibilities: Participation as a volunteer member of the Working Group carries with it an explicit agreement with the following examples of behavior consistent with constructive dialogue, mutual respect, and a commitment to collaboration:

- Offer respect for different viewpoints and attention when others speak.
- Share the responsibility of ensuring the success of the process and the quality of the recommendations.
- Make our best faith effort to work toward reaching agreement.
- Represent the perspectives, concerns, and interests of the organizations and agencies whenever possible rather than those of the individual representative.
- Come to meetings consistently and be prepared.
- Honor commitments made in previous meetings.
- Ask questions of each other for clarification and mutual understanding.
- Verify assumptions when necessary.
- Avoid characterizing the motives of others.
- Stay focused on the task at hand and share airtime with others.
- Refrain from distracting others through side conversations.
- Concentrate on the content of discussions and allow the facilitator(s) to focus on how to promote productive discussion.
- Keep the Working Group informed about constraints on decision-making authority within agencies.

Decision-Making: The Working Group shall be guided by the goal of collaborative problem solving and consensus. Each participant is responsible for communicating his or her organization's perspectives on the issues, problems and opportunities under discussion. He or she has an obligation to articulate interests, propose alternatives, listen to proposals and build Working Group support by participating in good faith. This means that when a participant cannot support the general direction or consensus of the Working Group, that he or she has an obligation to (1) state the reason(s) why they are withholding consent in sufficient detail to allow others to respond in a meaningful manner, and (2) offer an alternative suggestion that satisfactorily addresses their own concerns and interests without compromising the interests of others.

Public Statements: Participants agree to refrain from public criticism of the Working Group without first bringing such concerns to the group for discussion.

Meeting Management and Arrangements: The group facilitator will assist the participants to reach consensual agreement. This includes preparing agendas, sign-up sheets, and meeting summaries of each meeting, as well as other materials designed to move the discussions toward resolution.