

SAN FRANCISCO BAY CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

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Meeting Notice

Sand Mining Science Advisory Panel

San Francisco Bay Conservation and Development Commission

9:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.
Thursday, January 23, 2014
San Diego Conference Room
455 Golden Gate Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94102

Please allow adequate time to go through the State Building Security

NOTE: Supplemental materials for the Science Advisory Panel can be found on our website www.bcdc.ca.gov, please click on "Sand Mining Science Advisory Panel - January 23, 2014", listed under "What's New". For information about the meeting, please contact Brenda Goeden at (415) 352-3623 or brendag@bcdc.ca.gov.

Tentative Agenda

1. **Welcome and Introductions.**
2. **Overview of San Francisco Bay Sediment System Dynamics.**
3. **Project Description and Sand Mining Chronology.**
4. **Facilitated Science Discussion.**

BCDC's Sediment Management Program is holding a day-long science advisory panel to discuss relevant scientific literature regarding San Francisco Bay sandy sediment resources; sediment transport; San Francisco Bay benthic communities, ecology and food webs associated with sandy deep water habitat; and potential physical and ecological impacts of proposed sand mining activities in San Francisco Bay. This panel is being convened to assist Commission Staff in understanding complex Bay resource issues and to inform management questions regarding sandy deep-water habitat. The guidance offered through this panel will assist staff in making informed recommendations to the Commission regarding sand mining permit applications, consistent with Commission's laws and policies.



Making San Francisco Bay Better

Collectively, Jerico Products, LLC, Suisun Associates and Hanson Marine Aggregate, Inc. have applied for new, ten-year permits to mine sand from leases in Central San Francisco Bay, Suisun Bay and Suisun Channel. Currently, sand mining occurs intermittently on 2,600 acres in seven different lease areas located within Central San Francisco Bay and Suisun Bay. Existing permits allow for a total cumulative mining volume of 1.39 million cy per year from Central San Francisco Bay lease areas; 750,000 cy per year from the Middle Ground lease area in Suisun Bay; and 100,000 cy per year from the Suisun Channel lease area. The project applicants have requested additional mining volume in some lease areas and proposed decreased volume in other lease areas. Under the new ten-year permits, cumulative totals of up to 1.54 million cy of sand per year from Central San Francisco Bay leases; 200,000 cy per year from the Middle Ground leases; and 300,000 cy from the Suisun Channel lease have the potential to be mined. Commission Staff has convened this panel to address management questions regarding sand mining and discuss the current and future state of Bay resources.

5. Concluding Remarks/Adjournment

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