



Management Committee Meeting Agenda
July 26, 2017

2nd Floor Conference Room B
100 Cambridge Street, Boston

9am Coffee & muffins

9:30 Welcome, Introductions – *Jon Kachmar, Management Committee Chair*

Committee Business

1. Conflict of Interest statements

2. VOTE: Nominations for 2-year terms beginning 7/26/17 (statements on reverse)

3. Science & Technology Subcommittee meetings

Both upcoming meetings are open to all members and will be recorded.

August 10 (Boston): Introduction to the Biological Condition Gradient approach

October, date TBD (webinar): "MassBays' monitoring framework and Estuarine Delineation and Assessment 2.0 – toward a better State of the Bays."

4. Finance Subcommittee: seeking members to draft a Finance Plan to accompany the CCMP

10:00 Project update: Coastal acidification monitoring

Context

– *Prassede Vella, MassBays*

Approach

– *Shannon Davis & Francesco Peri, UMass Boston*

Discussion: What can we do with this information? What is MassBays' role going forward?

10:45 Break

11:00 2017-2018 Workplan Overview – *Pam DiBona, MassBays*

11:30 Staff Project Highlights (full reports in handout)

Peter Phippen, Upper North Shore

Sara Grady, South Shore

Barbara Warren, Lower North Shore

Jo Ann Muramoto, Cape Cod

Carole McCauley, Metro Boston

12:10 Management Committee Announcements and Updates

12:30 Adjourn

Next meeting: Wednesday, October 25th

Management Committee meeting, 9:30am to 12:30pm

Communications Subcommittee Meeting, 1 to 3pm

MassBays Vision

We envision a network of healthy and resilient estuaries, sustainable ecosystems that support the life and communities dependent upon them.

MassBays Mission

The Massachusetts Bays National Estuary Program is dedicated to protecting, restoring, and enhancing the estuarine ecosystems of Massachusetts Bay and Cape Cod Bay. We facilitate partnerships to prompt local, state, and federal action and stewardship, by convening stakeholders on the local and regional level, providing scientific basis for management decisions, and working with decisionmakers to identify problems and solutions.

Statements from Candidates

Kristin Uiterwyk, candidate for Chair, 2017-2019

Kristin is Assistant Director at Urban Harbors Institute, a research institute at UMass Boston, where she assists coastal towns in Massachusetts and beyond to respond to the impacts of climate change. She also served as Project Manager for COSEE OCEAN, an NSF-funded effort to increase ocean scientists' awareness of and access to ocean science outreach opportunities and improve ocean science education in informal and formal settings.

“I am grateful for the opportunity to be considered for the position of Chair of the Management Committee. Having served on the Committee since 2009 and worked with Mass Bays staff on a number of projects in my position at the Urban Harbors Institute, I have an in-depth knowledge of the organization and its history. I hope to bring that understanding to the position of Chair and I look forward to the opportunity to become more involved as the program begins implementation of a new CCMP.”

Colin Van Dyke, candidate for Vice Chair, 2017-2019

Colin is an environmental attorney with Anderson & Kreiger LLP in Boston, where he provides environmental compliance counseling to manufacturing, transportation, energy, health care, and higher education entities. He is currently Vice Chair of the Board of Directors of Zoo New England, and past Chair of the Massachusetts League of Environmental Voters. He has served as committee chair for environmental law sections of the American Bar Association and Boston Bar Association.

“I would be pleased to serve as Vice-Chair for the MassBays Management Committee. During my time on the Management Committee, I have gained a solid understanding of the role MassBays plays, its relationships with the regions, and the challenges and opportunities presented by its unique funding and organizational model. Of particular importance, I have gained a nuanced understanding of the interests and concerns prevalent among most of the other Management Committee members for whom the issues we discuss have a more direct and daily application. I think that my relative independence allows me to focus on consensus-building in a manner that should allow me to provide meaningful assistance the Chair.”