

WORKING GROUP CHARTER SHORELINE PRESERVATION WORKING GROUP

PURPOSE

The purpose of the Shoreline Preservation Working Group (SPWG) is to provide technical expertise, background knowledge and cross-agency coordination on regional shoreline issues with the goal to promote sand preservation on all beaches in the three littoral cells of the region and to promote best practices for adapting to sea level rise within the coastal and bay front cities.

RESPONSIBILITIES

The SPWG provides an institutional forum and structure for regional stakeholders to: (1) collaborate, coordinate and peer exchange solutions to address issues related to beach sand preservation and sea level adaptation strategies; (2) provide a regional collaboration among the coastal jurisdictions and stakeholders on coastal resilience policy and projects; (3) promote best practices and technical assistance that helps local jurisdictions align regional shoreline preservation strategies with local policies and programs; and (4) continue to support region's regional beach nourishment efforts and the Regional Coastal Shoreline Monitoring Program. The SPWG also provides SANDAG staff and the Regional Planning Committee (RPC) input and recommendations on preparation and implementation on the Sustainable Communities Strategy of the Regional Plan.

SPWG activities are identified through annual workplans developed by SANDAG in coordination with the SPWG.

LINE OF REPORTING

The SPWG will make recommendations to SANDAG staff and the Regional Planning Committee (RPC).

MEMBERSHIP

The SPWG has thirteen voting members which include one voting representative from each of the bayfront and coastal cities, the County of San Diego, the San Diego Unified Port District and the U.S. Navy. In addition, the SPWG includes non-voting: (1) technical advisors from the California Coastal Commission, State Department of Fish and Wildlife, State Department of Parks and Recreation, State Lands Commission, National Marine Fisheries Service, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers; and (2) community advisors from the Southern California Tribal Chairmen's Association, non-profit coastal advocacy groups, environmental justice/climate equity community, lobster and fishing associations, and the Scripps Institution of Oceanography.

CHAIR

The Chair of the RPC will appoint a member of the SPWG representing one of the bayfront and coastal cities to serve as Chair of the SPWG for a period of one year. In the event that the Chair is unavailable to perform these duties, the SPWG coordinator shall act in place of the Chair.

MEETING FREQUENCY

The SPWG will meet every quarter or as needed. Meetings shall be noticed according to and shall otherwise fully comply with the Ralph M. Brown Act.

DURATION OF EXISTENCE

The SPWG will function on an on-going basis, subject to annual review by the SANDAG Executive Committee.