

# **Science & Data Committee Meetings**

Present: Mark Gard, Sandi Jacobson, Marisa Parish, Holly Eddinger, Anne Elston, Gena Lasko, Emily

Seigel, Van Hare

Absent: Tim Loux, Andrew Hampton, Ted Masters

Meeting attendance: Meeting Attendance (Google Sheets)

## 2/5/25 Agenda

- Updates from last meeting- Updating Fish Passage Incidental Form (Holly, Anne, and Van)
- Update on RFP (Holly)
- Vote on name for Fish Passage Incidental Form (Zoom Poll)
- Committee Discussion- drafting preliminary S&D Committee Agendas for future meetings (All)
- Review Outreach Calendar

# 2/5/25 Meeting Minutes:

#### Questions about Federal Funding Freeze and involvement from Federal Partners

We are taking a measured "wait and see" approach. Anyone with specific questions is always welcome to reach out and the coordinator will share what information she has from NFHP. Any federal partners for whom changes in guidance or capacity will limit their involvement in the Forum should let the coordinator know.

#### Updates from last meeting- Updating Fish Passage Incidental Form (Holly, Anne, and Van)

Form has been updated and sent to Ross Taylor and Mike Love for review, along with the form(s) which SARP (National Barrier Prioritization Tool) uses to get data for culverts, waterfalls and dams. Parties interested in their process can find notes from our meeting on the Forum Intranet and google drive in the S&D Committee files.

Ross says he has time to review it next week. I have not heard back from Mike Love. The plan is to have paper form finalized next month, hold meeting to get feedback on Survey 123 mid-year, and work to rebuild it from there. Mark and Anne shared suggestions for Survey 123 changes, such as if you put in the Pad ID, the form automatically populates stream name and tributary name.

Sandi will mention that once the new version is out, she will share the Form with bio consultants doing habitat/fisheries surveys in May/June in upper Trabuco Creek in Orange County post Airport Fire. The idea is to track passability after Forest Service effort to remove check-dams in 2019- 2023 at certain sites, fire may alter the passage due to debris flows or sediment.

Thank you, Sandi, for outreaching the form!

If the committee would like to give any additional comments on the AOP Rapid Assessment Form, you may find it here. <u>AOP Rapid Assessment Form (Google Drive)</u>. Mark mentioned he will look through it today.

## **Update on RFP (Holly)**

The RFP closes this Friday 2/7/25. I am expecting at least 3-4 applications, maybe more. Thanks to all who have joined the review committee. We will have more to share after the Governance Committee approves the ranked list at the start of March. The list will go to the Steering Committee .

# Vote on name for Fish Passage Incidental Form (Zoom Poll)

The committee has chosen **Aquatic Organism Passage Rapid Assessment Field Form** or **AOP Rapid Assessment Form** for short.

## Committee Discussion- drafting preliminary S&D Committee Agendas for the next 4-5 meetings (All)

**General suggestions:** Query about what should be shared with other committees after each committee meeting. And share the Outreach Calendar in each meeting.

Meeting Date	Agenda Items
Before next meeting	Send out a poll for moving meeting into afternoon of March 5 <sup>th</sup> Committee to review the latest version of AOP Rapid Assessment Form if wanted and make tracked changes to finalize next meeting.
March 5 <sup>th</sup> 2025	<ul> <li>Finalize paper form using committee, Mike Love and Ross Taylor comments.</li> <li>Develop attendees survey for SRF Workshop. One immediate survey (how useable it was, if they will use it, options for involvement from the Forum, if they would like technical assistance). One follow up for a month later.</li> </ul>
April 2 <sup>nd</sup> 2025	<ul> <li>Announcement of ranked project list</li> <li>Final preparations for SRF workshop (invite Damon and Ross, Kristin and Erin). Order of curriculum and develop attendees' packet and review field plans.</li> <li>Develop invite list for Suvery123 meeting.</li> </ul>
Holly on maternity le	ave. Grace Adams at NRC (PLCI Coordinator) stepping in
May 7 <sup>th</sup> 2025	<ul> <li>Report from SRF workshop- How did it go? (Gena, Marisa, Grace, Anne)</li> <li>Lessons learned from the workshop.</li> <li>Committee input on key questions from communication plan.</li> </ul>
Special meeting	<ul> <li>Meeting to get feedback on Suvery123 Form to rebuild form. S&amp;D committee members to be invited.</li> </ul>
June 4 <sup>th</sup> 2025	<ul> <li>Report on Effectiveness Assessment from Effectiveness Assessment Working Group. Feedback from committee.</li> <li>Identify next workshop or speaker series, topic and location?</li> </ul>
July 2 <sup>nd</sup> 2025	- Carry over discussion of next workshop or speaker series. Refine details.

## Science and Data Committee Meeting Agendas- Working Document- California Fish Passage Forum

	<ul> <li>2026 Work Plan brainstorming session</li> <li>Update from Survey123 rebuild plans</li> </ul>
August 6 <sup>th</sup> 2025	<ul> <li>Prepare to submit the workshop at end of August for SRF (if deadline is end of August)</li> <li>Report on Effectiveness Assessment from Effectiveness Assessment Working Group</li> </ul>
Holly likely back from maternity leave by September meeting	

#### **Outreach Calendar**

The Outreach Calendar is used to keep track of what events such as conferences and meetings, or other outreach events are coming up, so that we can structure forum presence at those events. The committee is encouraged to review and add to the outreach calendar. It can be found on the education and outreach page of the Internet.

https://www.cafishpassageforum.org/outreach-and-education-committee/

Forum Outreach Calendar (Google Sheets)