**Executive Committee (EC)**

**Meeting Minutes**

**July 28, 2021; 9:00 AM­­­­­­–12:00 PM**

**Location:** Zoom Meeting

# Decisions:

* Approval of the July 28, 2021 EC meeting agenda with amendments
* Approval of the March 25, 2021 EC meeting minutes with amendments
* Approval of the Fiscal Year 2020 (FY20) Annual Report
* Approval of the Middle Rio Grande Endangered Species Collaborative Program (MRGESCP) 2021 Science Objectives
* Approval of the 2022 Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) Administrative (Admin) Ad Hoc Group Charge to draft a new MRGESCP MOA for EC and individual signatory review
* Approval of the proposal to compile information on signatory contributions
* Approval of a new MRGESCP annual report format
* Approval of the revised MRGESCP By-laws
* Approval of the Science and Adaptive Management Committee (SAMC)’s next step recommendations for the Population Monitoring Work Group (PMWG) findings
* Approval of a SAMC-hosted Habitat Restoration Workshop in August/September

# Announcements:

* Katrina Grantz, U.S. Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation), replaced Wayne Pullan as the EC Federal Co-chair.
* Anne Marken replaced Dave Gensler as the Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District (MRGCD) EC representative. Yasmeen Najmi replaced Anne M. as the alternate MRGCD EC representative.
* Ryan Gronewold replaced Lynette Giesen as the alternate U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) EC representative. Danielle Galloway replaced Lynette G. as the USACE Program Manager for the MRGESCP. She will serve a 120-day detail in that role.
* Lynette G. has joined Reclamation and will be the new contract officer representative (COR) for the Program and Science Support (PASS) contract.
* USACE is included in the FY22 President’s Budget and will receive $1.94 million. Funds will not be available until April 2022 at the earliest.
* USACE will resume funding for the Bosque Ecosystem Monitoring Program (BEMP) in FY22. In FY21, BEMP dropped 6-7 monitoring sites, but most others will be maintained.
* The Assessment Payers Association of the MRGCD (APA) missed three consecutive EC meetings and did not respond to an official notice of potential membership termination. Per the MRGESCP By-Laws, APA is no longer a signatory member of the MRGESCP as of the July 28, 2021 EC meeting.

# Action Items:

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| **WHO** | **ACTION ITEM** | **BY WHEN** |
| Program Support Team (PST) | Send out a calendar invite for the October 27, 2021 EC meeting | 7/28/2021 |
| PST | Follow up with Pueblo of Isleta on signing the Addendum to the 2008 MOA | 8/13/2021 |
| All Program Portal users | Complete the July Collaborative Poll located on the Program Portal to give feedback about the Program Portal | 8/16/2021 |
| EC Co-chairs and PST | Notify the APA of membership termination | 8/16/2021 |
| MRGESCP Signatories | Suggest topics of interest for Collaborative Seminars to the PST | 8/31/2021 |
| EC | Provide comments on the proposed annual MRGESCP evaluation process | 8/31/2021 |
| PST | Finalize the annual MRGESCP evaluation process proposal for review at the October EC meeting | 10/20/2021 |
| EC | Suggest additional members for the 2022 MOA Admin Ad Hoc Group to the PST | 8/6/2021 |
| PST | Follow up with MRGCD on adding a member to the 2022 MOA Admin Ad Hoc Group | 8/6/2021 |
| PST | Convene the 2022 MOA Admin Ad Hoc Group to draft a new MRGESCP MOA | 8/31/2021 |
| PST | Distribute the revised proposal for signatory contributions | 7/30/2021 |
| PST | Distribute Reclamation’s opinion memo on cost share | 8/16/2021 |
| EC | Provide comments on the new format for the MRGESCP annual report | 8/31/2021 |
| PST | Finalize the approved MRGESCP By-laws and post them on the Program Portal | 7/30/2021 |
| PST | Revise the Fiscal Planning Committee (FPC) and SAMC committee charters to reflect the changes in the approved By-Laws | 10/20/2021 |
| By-laws Admin Ad Hoc Group | Revise the section regarding annual MRGESCP evaluation in the By-Laws for EC review | 10/20/2021 |
| PST | Incorporate the findings from the PMWG summary report into the Science and Adaptive Management Information System (SAMIS) | 8/26/2021 |
| MRGESCP Signatories | Suggest people to include in the list of participants for the Habitat Restoration (HR) Workshop | 8/16/2021 |
| PST & SAMC | Send out the Pre-HR Workshop Questionnaire | 8/16/2021 |
| PST | Schedule the HR Workshop | 8/30/2021 |

**Next Meeting:** October 27, 2021; 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM

**Meeting Minutes**

# Welcome, Introductions, Agenda Review

Mark Kelly, Albuquerque Bernalillo County Water Utility Authority (ABCWUA), and Non-Federal Co-Chair, opened the meeting and led introductions. Mark K. reminded the group that EC meetings are public record and all meeting minutes are stored on the Program Portal. The following new members of the EC were introduced: Katrina Grantz (Reclamation, Federal Co-Chair), Yasmeen Najmi (MRGCD, alternate), and Ryan Gronewold (USACE, alternate). Ryan G. replaced Lynette Giesen, who joined Reclamation and will serve as the new COR for the PASS contract.

Debbie Lee, Program Manager with the PST, reviewed the July 28, 2021 agenda and noted the following amendments: the EC will not approve the proposed process for annual program evaluation and the PASS contract update will be given by Jennifer Faler instead of Ashlee Rudolph, Reclamation.

* **Decision**: Approval of the July 28, 2021 meeting agenda with amendments

# March 2021 Meeting Summary

Debbie L. reviewed the March 25, 2021 meeting minutes and action items. Ryan G. made the following amendment to the hydrology and announcements sections: cost share for the Sandia Pueblo to Isleta Pueblo Ecosystem Restoration project is 65% federal/35% non-federal. Ryan G. announced USACE’s Collaborative Program funding is included in the FY22 President’s Budget for $1.94 million. USACE will resume funding for BEMP in FY22. Danielle Galloway will replace Lynette G. as the USACE Program Manager for the MRGESCP and serve for the next 120 days.

* **Decision**: Approval of the March 25, 2021 EC meeting minutes with amendments
* **Action Item**: The PST will follow up with Pueblo of Isleta on signing the Addendum to the 2008 MOA

# Program Manager Update

Debbie L. gave the Program Manager update. Summary points are below:

* The June newsletter is available on the Program Portal.
* The MRGESCP is hosting Collaborative Seminars around specific topics (e.g., research papers, restoration projects, innovations, etc.). Each seminar presentation will be followed by a Q&A session. The first will be presented on August 24, 2021 by Rob Dudley, American Southwest Ichthyological Researchers and Museum of Southwestern Biology (Fishes), UNM, regarding the 2020 Rio Grande silvery minnow (RGSM) Population Monitoring Program. Everyone is invited to contact the PST to set up a seminar on a project or topic of their choice. Student seminars are encouraged.
* The MRGESCP will host an HR Workshop.
* Polls will be regularly posted to the Program Portal to garner input from MRGESCP participants. Results from the first poll, regarding HR, are in the June newsletter. The July poll, regarding feedback on the Program Portal, was posted to the Program Portal.
* The MRGESCP is asking signatories for collaborative opportunities to highlight in the newsletter.
* The MRGESCP is on track to complete the 2021 Work Plan.
* The 2021 Addendum to the 2008 MOA was signed and will be implemented through May 2022.
* A final draft of the FY20 Annual Report was prepared and sent to the EC.
* **Decision**: Approval of the Fiscal Year 2020 (FY20) Annual Report
* **Action Item**: All Program Portal users will complete the July Collaborative Poll located on the Program Portal to give feedback about the Program Portal
* **Action Item**: MRGESCP signatories will suggest topics of interest for Collaborative Seminars to the PST

Catherine Murphy, Science Coordinator with the PST, gave a SAMC update. Summary points are below:

* The SAMC moved from monthly to bi-monthly meetings with interim one-on-one meetings between PST and SAMC members.
* The RGSM Population Monitoring Summary Report Ad Hoc will conclude with a presentation to the EC by the group lead, Rich Valdez, SWCA Environmental Consultants. The group is the first Science & Technical (S&T) Ad Hoc Group to wrap up.
* Charles Yackulic, U.S. Geological Survey, is making progress on the RGSM Population Modeling Ad Hoc. His contract to develop the model with New Mexico Interstate Stream Commission will be renewed, and he will be working on a report with the ad hoc group.
* The RGSM Conceptual Ecological Model (CEM)/Genetics Ad Hoc is adding components to the CEM to incorporate the propagation and augmentation program.
* The Avian CEM Refinement Ad Hoc is adding elements to the Southwestern willow flycatcher (SWFL) and Yellow-billed cuckoo (YBCU) CEMs and characterizing uncertainties in the CEMs.
* The draft 2021 Science Objectives were previously discussed at the March 2021 EC meeting. The Science Objectives form a bridge between MRGESCP goals and the science activities it supports. The Science Objectives will be revisited, as needed, each year. There was one revision to the 2021 Science Objectives since the March meeting: Objective H was wrapped into Objective F, so that each objective addresses a goal.
* **Decision**: Approval of the 2021 Science Objectives

# Annual Collaborative Program Evaluation

Debbie L. discussed the annual Collaborative Program evaluation (see presentation). Summary points are below:

* The Science & Adaptive Management (S&AM) Plan includes an annual MRGESCP evaluation. The objectives of the annual Collaborative Program evaluation are to provide an administrative review, to assess the relevance of the guiding principles, to inform updates to plans, tools, and processes, and to identify areas for improvement.
* The process is integral to adaptive management (AM) of the MRGESCP.
* The PST will use feedback from the EC to revise the draft evaluation process. At the October meeting, the PST will present a more detailed proposal for approval. Between October and December, the process will be implemented.
* Implementation of the evaluation could be more frequent than annually, if the EC determines there is a need. The process will align with development of the next year’s work plan and updates to the S&AM Plan. The PST will coordinate the effort.
* **Action Item**: The EC will provide comments on the proposed annual MRGESCP evaluation process
* **Action Item**: The PST will finalize the annual MRGESCP evaluation process proposal for review at the October EC meeting

# 2022 Memorandum of Agreement

Debbie L. discussed development of the 2022 MRGESCP MOA. Summary points are below:

* The Addendum to the 2008 MOA is in effect until May 2022, after which a new MOA is needed.
* A draft charge for the 2022 MOA Admin Ad Hoc Group, including proposed members, was included in the read-ahead materials.
* The draft 2022 MOA will be completed by the December 2021 EC meeting. After a review period and revisions, it will be up for approval at the March 2022 EC meeting. The PST will work to get signatures through the spring.
* All proposed members have agreed to join the group. EC members are invited to email the PST suggestions for additional members. The PST will follow up with MRGCD to add a potential member to the group.
* **Decision**: Approval of the 2022 MOA Admin Ad Hoc Group Charge to draft a new MRGESCP MOA for EC and individual signatory review
* **Action Item**: The EC will suggest additional members for the 2022 MOA Admin Ad Hoc Group to the PST
* **Action Item**: The PST will follow up with MRGCD on adding a member to the 2022 MOA Admin Ad Hoc Group
* **Action Item**: The PST will convene the 2022 MOA Admin Ad Hoc Group to draft a new MRGESCP MOA

# Proposal for Signatory Contributions

Debbie L. presented a proposal for signatory contributions. Summary points are below:

* At the March 2021 EC meeting, the group discussed a proposal for defining a *Program Activity*. The Fiscal Planning Committee was directed to roll the topic into their discussion on reframing cost share. The EC asked that cost share be more useful, less onerous, and tell the story of the MRGESCP. The FPC developed the idea of *Signatory Contributions*, which is described in the proposal.
* Signatory contributions can be either administrative (e.g., sitting on committees and ad hoc groups, workshop participation, etc.) or scientific (i.e., findings/results of signatory activities).
* All signatory activities are divided into five categories: Program Management & Administration, Habitat Assessment & Modeling, Population Monitoring & Modeling, Species Management & Recovery, and Field & Laboratory Experiments.
  + These categories help determine which activities are under the purview of the MRGESCP. The MRGESCP can demonstrate progress/success in each category.
* The proposal was revised based on a suggestion to make clear that no contributions are mandatory. A statement to that effect was added.
* Since the March EC meeting, the Office of the Solicitor, U.S. Department of the Interior (DOI) has addressed changing cost share for the MRGESCP.
  + Reclamation made the case that the 2009 language authorizing cost share is dated because the MRGESCP evolved away from implementation of Reclamation’s Biological Opinion (BO). In addition, the 2016 BO includes direct contributions from BO partners.
  + The DOI solicitor stated that requirement of cost share could be determined by Reclamation.
  + Reclamation produced a draft memo stating there is no cost share requirement for the MRGESCP.
    - The caveat is any grants or agreements MRGESCP enters into related to BO requirements should require cost share.
  + Signatory contributions will still be collected, including cost, but not for the purpose of federal/non-federal cost share.
* The move to signatory contributions will impact the annual report, SAMIS, and Long-Term Plan.
  + The SAMIS will be used to share information on signatory activities and link them to scientific uncertainties, objectives, etc. to increase relevance to management priorities.
  + The end-of-the-year reports produced using the SAMIS are designed to show signatories the value added to their work within the context of the science program through membership in the MRGESCP.
  + The Long-Term Plan and annual report will also utilize the categories and linkages in the SAMIS.
* **Decision**: Approval of the proposal to compile information on signatory contributions
* **Action Item**: The PST will distribute the revised proposal for signatory contributions
* **Action Item**: The PST will distribute Reclamation’s opinion memo on cost share

# Proposed New Annual Report Format

Julie Dickey, PST, discussed a proposed new format for the MRGESCP annual report (see presentation). Summary points are below:

* The annual report should be a tool for documenting MRGESCP progress, highlighting activities that work towards MRGESCP objectives, garnering support, and communicating science.
* Future annual reports would be on a calendar year basis, up to 15 pages, and highly MRGESCP-specific (goals, objectives, milestones, benefits to species, forecasting for next year).
* The 15 pages includes a title page, a letter/statement, a committee members list, MRGESCP by the numbers, milestones/accomplishments, MRGESCP outlook, and a back page.
* The new annual report would be less onerous on signatories and take less time to create (by about six months). The PST would start working on it in October, and it would be ready for approval at the March EC meeting.
* The EC is invited to comment on the proposed format, even post approval. Changes can always be incorporated.
* **Decision**: Approval of a new MRGESCP annual report format
* **Action Item**: The EC will provide comments on the new format for the MRGESCP annual report

# Revised MRGESCP By-Laws

Debbie L. discussed revisions to the MRGESCP By-Laws. Summary points are below:

* The MRGESCP By-Laws have been undergoing revisions for several years.
* The By-Laws Ad Hoc Group recently reconvened to continue revisions after the MRGESCP implemented the new structure in the S&AM Plan.
* The previously approved 2012 version and the 2021 revision were included the read-aheads. A summary table of all high-level changes was also included. All changes were made to be consistent with the new S&AM Plan and Long-Term Plan, unless otherwise noted in the summary table.
* Notable Changes (not made for consistency):
  + A quorum was redefined; it was previously 50% but is now 2/3.
  + The signatory membership cap was removed; it was previously 20.
    - All memberships must be approved by unanimous consent.
  + A dispute resolution step was added if the EC cannot make a decision. If the EC cannot reach unanimous consent, it will form an Administrative Ad Hoc Group to work through the disagreement and bring recommendations to the next EC meeting. If there is no agreement at the next meeting, there will be a super majority vote.
* Two Questions from the By-Laws Ad Hoc Group for the EC:
  + 1) How will ad hoc work products be documented?
    - The PST proposes including a summary document deliverable in every ad hoc group charge and tracking every ad hoc group as a task in the SAMIS.
  + 2) How should the role of the EC to the PST be noted?
    - The By-Laws acknowledge that the PST may be a third-party contractor and roles/responsibilities may change at the direction of the EC, subject to applicable contract regulations.
    - There was a suggestion to add “requirements” in addition to “regulations.” The language change is to be mindful of federal contracting rules.
* The Annual Collaborative Program Evaluation section of the By-Laws is not complete; it will be revised in the future, and the EC will vote to approve the amendment.
* The PST will revise charters for the FPC and SAMC to reflect changes in the By-Laws.
* **Decision**: Approval of the revised MRGESCP By-laws
* **Action Item**: The PST will finalize the approved MRGESCP By-laws and post them on the Program Portal
* **Action Item**: The PST will revise the FPC and SAMC charters to reflect the changes in the approved by-laws
* **Action Item**: The By-Laws Ad Hoc Group will revise the section regarding annual MRGESCP evaluation in the By-Laws for EC review

# RGSM PMWG Summary Report Science & Technical Ad Hoc Group

Rich V., group lead of the Ad Hoc and former chair of the PMWG, presented on the PMWG summary report (see presentation). Summary points are below:

* The tasks of the PMWG were as follows: 1) Conduct a catch-per-unit (CPUE) workshop, 2) Review the Middle Rio Grande fish monitoring plan (FMP), and 3) Update the FMP.
* Tasks 1 and 2 were completed, and Task 3 was partially implemented. Based on the Hubert et al. (2016) findings, the PMWG recommended eight changes to Reclamation’s FMP in 2017 (see section 4.1 of summary report [Valdez 2021]); all were incorporated and are still in effect today.
* The PMWG has accomplished the following: 1) holding a CPUE workshop, 2) recommendations to Reclamation’s FMP, 3) consolidation of science panel recommendations, 4) analysis of FMP data, 5) providing expertise for development of RGSM integrated population model, 6) review of FMP for EC, and 7) findings and recommendations to the SAMC and EC.
* Rich V., with review from ad hoc group members, authored the PMWG summary report, which includes four findings and eight recommendations.
* The four findings (section 6.0 of summary report) are:
  1. FMP provides systematic sampling that tracks year-to-year trends in relative abundance of the RGSM, but lacks spatial and temporal resolution to evaluate species response to specific management actions.
  2. FMP provides monthly data for estimating population demographic parameters of RGSM (e.g., age, growth rate, survival, recruitment).
  3. Hydrologic and geomorphic variabilities of MRG, and stochasticity of RGSM population, limit the level of precision possible for the CPUE index.
  4. Complete redesign of FMP is not warranted, but refinements could improve precision of CPUE, and better represent density of RGSM in MRG.
* The eight recommendations (section 7.0 of summary report) include four studies/refinements to the FMP that may involve fieldwork and four analyses/refinements to the FMP that do not require fieldwork.

Summary points for questions/ comments/responses are below:

* RE: Summarizing wintertime support for RGSM
  + RGSM prefer slow moving water (pools) with internal cover (standing vegetation, root wads) in the fall/winter. These can be utilized in stream restoration.
* RE: The possibility of recommendations for the FMP in the future
  + SAMC will form S&T Ad Hoc Groups based on findings and recommendations from the PMWG summary report. Future recommendations for the FMP will come from these groups.
* RE: Growth rate measurements
  + Growth rates are calculated from measurements taken as part of the monthly surveys for the FMP. If temperatures are seasonal in RGSM refugia, growth rates should be similar.
* RE: If money was not an issue, what would be recommended?
  + Continue doing what is being done, but there are complexities in the system that may not be able to be overcome. These complexities can be addressed with desktop exercises and increasing the number of sampling sites.
  + The FMP cannot answer AM questions or address uncertainties. A different program is needed to evaluate specific management actions.

Catherine M. presented the SAMC memo with recommended next steps for the PMWG summary report findings and recommendations (see presentation). Summary points are below:

* The SAMC provided a memo regarding the PMWG summary report to the EC, including next steps for Task 3 of the PMWG.
* Reviews of the FMP have been undertaken regularly by the MRGESCP and others. Reviews were focused on a few generalized topics, but environmental covariates and management applications were the most important to the MRGESCP.
* The SAMC acknowledges these realities: the long-term monitoring protocol of the FMP must continue in order to track year-to-year trends, the FMP data cannot address all unresolved questions, management needs persist and evolve, and periodic evaluation and update is integral to AM.
* It is important to match the right data to questions.
  + Data from the Population Estimation Program (PEP) may be able to answer questions the FMP data cannot. Estimates were compared from the FMP and PEP. Although they were close at the time, the PEP report recommended the PEP be run again for further comparison of the estimates. The first PEP was 10 years ago.
  + Targeted studies will be needed to answer specific questions.
* The next steps recommended by the SAMC are as follows:
  1. Form S&T Ad Hoc Groups to a) translate recommendations from the PMWG summary report into specific questions and hypotheses, b) determine the appropriate data for each hypotheses, and c) identify management-relevant questions to review as QA/QC for the FMP and PEP,
  2. Survey managers on their needs and devise appropriate measures to address them,
  3. Consider repeating the PEP,
  4. Implement the QA/QC strategy,
  5. Consider QA/QC strategies for other MRGESCP species, and
  6. Form ad hoc groups to develop and scope projects.

Summary points for questions/ comments/responses are below:

* RE: AM and monitoring success of RGSM fish passages
  + The FMP does not monitor fish passage. A study would need to be proposed for that.
  + Reclamation has a movement study in which fish are tagged below San Acacia Dam and monitored to see if they are moving upstream. This a baseline for fish passage. Plans for monitoring and AM of fish passage are being formed now.
  + USACE did a fish passage study at the ABCWUA dam in the Albuquerque San Juan Chama Water Treatment Facility.
* RE: Sampling design for targeted studies
  + Sampling design would be allocated to S&T Ad Hoc Groups. The SAMC does not have a direct role in designing studies, but they may opt to contribute.
* RE: 20 years of monitoring information
  + S&T Ad Hoc Groups should be doing literature searches and reaching out to agencies to check what information is available.
  + The SAMIS will store and relate findings, so they are accessible to everyone.
* **Decision**: Approval of the SAMC’s next step recommendations for the PMWG findings
* **Action Item**: The PST will incorporate the findings from the PMWG summary report into the SAMIS

# Adaptive Management Relational Database Update

Catherine M. presented on the Adaptive Management Relational Database (now titled the Science and Adaptive Management Information System [SAMIS]; see SAMIS schematic in memo presentation). Summary points are below:

* The elements and pathways in the SAMIS have been discussed as part of the next steps for the PMWG findings. These include the guiding principles pathway (goals, science objectives, and science strategies), the research pathway (CEMs, critical uncertainties, and hypotheses), the independent science panel recommendations, and the AM pathway (project findings, management recommendations, and management actions).
* The MRGESCP will provide recommendations to action agencies and, if implemented, will document the results. Action agencies will be able to show they are taking part in AM through participation in the MRGESCP. This gives credit and adds value to activities taking place.

# Habitat Restoration (HR) Workshop

Catherine M. discussed the proposed HR Workshop. Summary points are below:

* The SAMC proposed holding a workshop focused on HR in late August/September. This was in response to a series of questions from MRGESCP participants regarding HR, including how to maximize return on investment with a new HR project, defining achievable restoration goals, and how to demonstrate success through monitoring.
* The HR Workshop will bring together those working on different aspects of HR to discuss defining goals and success.
* If an agency is working on a species-focused HR project for years, there may be additional variables it can add to the monitoring protocol that can show incremental success.
* Outside of restoration targets, there are ancillary benefits from HR that should be documented (e.g., creating recreation areas and green spaces, removing invasive species).
* Monitoring is data collection, and the sampling design should be able to demonstrate direct effects from the restoration activity.
* The HR Workshop will not cover specific projects but will focus on general resources and guidance for HR from start to finish.
* **Decision**: Approval of a SAMC-hosted Habitat Restoration Workshop in August/September
* **Action Item**: MRGESCP signatories will suggest people to include in the list of participant for the HR Workshop
* **Action Item**: The PST will send out the Pre-HR Workshop Questionnaire
* **Action Item**: The PST will schedule the HR Workshop

# Program and Science Support (PASS) Contract

Jennifer Faler, Reclamation, discussed the PASS contract. Summary points are below:

* Reclamation finalized the 6-month (October 2021 through March 2022) extension to the PASS contract with Western EcoSystems Technology, Inc. (WEST).
* Reclamation is working on an RFP for a new PASS contract and targeting a late December/early January award.
* There is time in the 6-month extension for transitioning to a new contractor if WEST is not awarded the contract.
* There are limitations to the scope of WEST’s 6-month contract. Only 75% of the full scope is funded, and excluded services include the science symposium, Admin Ad Hoc Work Group support, and public outreach.
* Reclamation can share the scope of the RFP if the EC would like to comment.

# Announcements and Public Comment

* There were no public comments.
* APA missed two consecutive EC meetings and were sent an official notice of membership termination given a third missed meeting. APA was absent for the third consecutive EC meeting on July 28, 2021 and, as per the MRGESCP By-Laws, is no longer a signatory member of the MRGESCP.
  + The PST will send APA notice of membership termination.
* Kim Eichhorst, BEMP, expressed gratitude for all who helped fund BEMP in FY21. BEMP dropped 6-7 monitoring sites, but most others will be maintained.
* **Action Item**: The PST will notify the APA of membership termination

# Closing Items:

* **Action Item**: The PST will send out a calendar invite for the October 27, 2021 EC meeting

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