



**BPC Expert Briefing:**  
**Using a Programmatic Permitting Approach to Move Through the Corps'  
Regulatory Process On Time and Under Budget**

June 6, 2016  
11:30 AM – 1:30 PM  
Bayside Conference Room  
Port of San Francisco

**AGENDA:**

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| 11:30 – 11:35 | <b>Welcome and Introductions</b><br><i>David Ivester, President, Bay Planning Coalition</i>  |
| 11:35– 12:15  | <b>Programmatic Approaches to Streamlining the Regulatory Process</b><br><i>Laurie Monarres, Sean O'Brien, David Wickens, Dudek</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Letters of Permission (LOPs) and Regional General Permits (RGPs)</li><li>• Programmatic Section 7 Consultations</li><li>• In-Lieu Fee Programs</li></ul> |
| 12:15 – 12:30 | <i>Break for lunch</i>   |
| 12:30 – 1:00  | <b>Examples of Approaches to Streamlining the Regulatory Process</b><br><i>Laurie Monarres, Sean O'Brien, David Wickens, Dudek</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Programmatic BiOps</li><li>• South Sacramento Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP)/404 Integration</li><li>• RGP 3 in Suisun Marsh</li></ul>                   |
| 1:00 – 1:30   | <b>Audience Q&amp;A and Discussion</b><br><i>Moderated by John Coleman, Bay Planning Coalition</i>   |



### LAURIE MONARRES • Regulatory Specialist, Dudek

Laurie Monarres has 12 years' professional experience as a regulatory specialist. As Army Corps of Engineer's (ACOE) Regulatory North Branch Chief of the San Francisco District, Ms. Monarres supervised a team of project managers, overseeing the review and evaluation of complex and controversial permit applications under

Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (CWA) and Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act within the north coastal region of California. She is familiar with, and regularly applies, knowledge of laws such as the Endangered Species Act, National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), Coastal Zone Management Act (CZMA) and National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA). Ms. Monarres permitted a wide variety of projects, including transportation, gravel mining, harbor reconstructions, creek stabilizations, flood control projects, and major coastal restorations. She has developed programmatic permitting approaches including regional general permits (RGPs), letters of permission (LOPs), and streamlined permitting associated with habitat conservation plans (HCPs).

Ms. Monarres has extensive experience in developing multiple mitigation banks and in-lieu fee programs, including current proposals for Wildlands' Newark Slough Mitigation Bank. Additionally, she was a key member of the ACOE South Pacific Division's project team responsible for developing standard operating procedures for compensatory mitigation decisions, including the updated Mitigation and Monitoring Guidelines, the Mitigation Ratios Checklist, Uniform Performance Standards, and Mitigation Site Selection using a watershed approach.

### MIKE HENRY, PhD • Senior Ecologist, Dudek

Dr. Henry is a senior ecologist with more than 15 years' professional experience involving management and analysis for a variety of biological research projects, including large-scale habitat conservation planning under Section 10 of the federal Endangered Species Act (FESA), watershed analysis, and a range of project- and program-level documents in compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). He has served as a project manager or deputy project manager of environmental documents for several federal and municipal projects, including a utility-scale solar photovoltaic (PV) development, a massive land acquisition and airspace establishment for a Marine Corps base in the Mojave Desert, beach restoration and managed retreat projects in the City of Malibu and Santa Barbara County, and an oil and gas development project in Santa Barbara County. He has particular expertise in assisting coastal communities and project applicants in planning for resilience to climate change (e.g., sea level rise, storm and wave intensity, and streamflow) as well as wildlife hazard assessment (WHA) at both military and civilian airfields. Dr. Henry has published his biological research in international peer-reviewed journals and presented findings at international conferences.

#### EDUCATION

University of California, Los Angeles  
MS, Environmental Health Sciences

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BA, Integrative Biology

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University of California, Santa Barbara  
PhD, Ecology, Evolution, and Marine  
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BS, Aquatic Biology, 2001

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Association of Environmental  
Professionals (AEP)

American Society of Limnology  
and Oceanography

Society for Integrative and  
Comparative Biology

Western Society of Naturalists



## DAVID WICKENS • Regulatory Specialist, Dudek

David Wickens has 22 years' professional experience as a regulatory specialist in Northern California, New Mexico, and the Midwest. As a senior-level project manager with the Army Corps of Engineers' (ACOE's) San Francisco District for the past 11 years, Mr. Wickens has reviewed numerous complex and controversial permit applications under Section 404 of the

Clean Water Act (CWA) and Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act within the Bay Area and the north coastal region of California. He is familiar with, and regularly applies, knowledge of laws such as the Endangered Species Act, National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), Coastal Zone Management Act (CZMA), and National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA). Mr. Wickens has permitted a wide variety of projects, including transportation, residential and commercial development, energy, waste management, wetland mitigation, creek stabilizations, and major tidal wetland restorations. He has developed programmatic permitting approaches including regional general permits (RGPs), letters of permission (LOPs), and streamlined permitting associated with habitat conservation plans (HCPs).

Mr. Wickens has extensive experience in developing mitigation banks such Laguna Bank, Laguna Valley Bank (Sonoma County), and Elsie Gridley Bank (Solano County), and current proposals such as the Fulton Road Bank (Sonoma County), and an In-Lieu Fee Program sponsored by Ducks Unlimited. Additionally, he was a key member of the South Pacific Division's project team responsible for developing standard operating procedures for compensatory mitigation decisions, including the updated Mitigation and Monitoring Guidelines, the Mitigation Ratios Checklist, and Uniform Performance Standards.

### EDUCATION

Michigan State University  
BS, Resource Development, 1992

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- *September 16, 2016* – BPC Workshop: Energy & Water Nexus Summit 5, East Bay Municipal Utility District (EBMUD), Oakland, CA, 9:30 AM to 3:00 PM
- *October 5, 2016* – BPC Expert Briefing CEQA Update, Wendel, Rosen, Black & Dean LLP, Oakland, CA, 11:00 AM – 1:30 PM
- *October 18, 2016* – BPC Expert Briefing: Earthquakes and Impacts to the Movement of Goods, Date and Location TBD, 11:00 AM – 1:30 PM
- *November 9, 2016* – BPC Workshop: Dredging & Beneficial Reuse, Port of Oakland, Oakland, CA, 9:30 AM – 12:30 PM
- *December 9, 2016* – BPC Annual Meeting & Luncheon, St. Francis Yacht Club, San Francisco, CA, 11:30 AM – 2:00 PM

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