ASBS Natural Water Quality Committee

State Board resolution 2004-052, Section 3.a. provides the mission of the Committee to evaluate the UCSD/SIO Monitoring Data, advise the Regional Board regarding impacts of Scripps' discharges to ASBS and to answer the questions: a) is natural water quality being altered, and b) is the marine aquatic life beneficial use in the ASBS being protected? The committee will focus on Scripps and other relevant La Jolla data to answer this main question over the permit cycle. The committee also clearly recognized the importance of their work in the context of the greater ASBS, Ocean Plan, and storm water issues. In response all have agreed that their work should provide guidance for assessing impacts to water quality in any ASBS in the State. Three areas of emphasis have been agreed on: 1) Are water quality objectives and permit limits being met? 2) What are impacts to marine species and communities? 3) What would ambient marine water quality be like without waste discharges, and how does effluent impact that water quality?

Meeting date - March 19, 2008, 11:00 - 4:00

Location - Scripps Institution of Oceanography Martin Johnson House (building T-29/8840)

Note: The Martin Johnson House (T-29) is more than a block north of Scripps Pier. It is located on the west side of Biological Grade, off of La Jolla Shores Drive (turn off La Jolla Shores Drive near the Southwest Marine Fisheries building. The following web link shows the location of T-29 (Building #8840 on map, located just south of Biological Grade). http://maps.ucsd.edu/Acrobat/CampusMap-Scripps.pdf

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