

**MONITORING AND RESEARCH (M&R) SUBCOMMITTEE OF
THE GALVESTON BAY COUNCIL (GBC)
GALVESTON BAY ESTUARY PROGRAM (GBEP)
AGENDA**

March 12, 2025
9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

9:30 **Call to Order, Introductions**

9:35 **Approval of Minutes:** Subcommittee review/approval of 12/11/24 minutes

New Business

9:35 Member Spotlight: Thushara Ranatunga, Houston-Galveston Area Council

9:45 Member Spotlight: Jessica Geiskopf, Texas Parks and Wildlife Department

9:55 BIL Priorities Discussion

10:40 Bylaws Discussion and Voting

11:15 **Project Updates from M&R Project Managers** **time permitting*

- Regional Monitoring Database – HARC (Ryan Bare)
- Long Term Monitoring of Living Shorelines – Lee College (Jim Dobberstine)
- Monitoring Ecosystem Indicators for Science-Based Restoration and Enhancement – TAMUG (Hui Liu)
- The Distribution and Fate of Highly Toxic Tire Rubber-Derived Chemicals in Galveston Bay – TAMU (Michael Shields)
- Evaluating Galveston Bay's Resilience to Ocean and Coastal Acidification – HARC (Stephanie Glenn)
- Establishment of an Oyster Sentinel Program for Tracking *Perkinsus marinus* (Dermo) in Oysters of Galveston Bay – UHCL (Mandi Gordon)
- Tracking Perkinsus Marinus (Dermo) Infection in Sun-Cured Oysters - UHCL (Mandi Gordon)
- Monitoring to Assess Long-term Restoration Success in Galveston Bay Wetlands - TAMUG (Anna Armitage)

11:25 **GBEP, Council, and Subcommittee Updates**

- WSQ subcommittee meeting: Wednesday, March 12, 2025, 1:30 p.m.- 3:30 p.m.
- B&P meeting: Wednesday, April 2, 2025, 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.
- GBC meeting: Wednesday, April 16, 2025, 9:30 a.m.- 12:30 p.m.
- Meeting Times for 2025
 - June 11, 2025 (9:30-11:30am)
 - September 10, 2025 (9:30-11:30am)
 - December 10, 2025 (9:30-11:30am)

Old Business

11:25 Announcements/ Path Forward Items: Next Meetings:

Adjourn