



Protecting our bays and estuaries

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To: CBBEP Bays Council

From: Kiersten Stanzel, CBBEP Executive Director

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RE: CBBEP Bays Council Nomination of Chair and Vice-chair

The CBBEP Bylaws specify that the Bays Council is to elect a Chair and Vice-chair for terms not to exceed two (2) years. In addition, the Chair, or the Chair's designee, will also serve on the CBBEP Board of Directors. The election of officers is to be held during the annual Bays Council meeting. The CBBEP Executive Director has nominated the current Chair and Vice-chair, listed below, to serve for a second year in their appointed positions. Both individuals have served one year and are eligible to be appointed for an additional year.

Chair: Dr. Mike Wetz

Chair for Coastal Ecosystem Processes

Harte Research Institute at Texas A&M University – Corpus Christi

Vice-chair: Adriana Leiva

Coastal Program Biologist

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