Richardson Bay Water Quality Recovery Initiative

Quarterly Progress Report

PROJECT NAME	REPORT TYPE
Richardson Bay Water Quality Recovery Initiative	Quarterly Report
REPORTING PERIOD	**PREPARED BY**
July 1, 2026 – Sept 20, 2026 | FYE27 Quarter 1	Jess Bode, Coastal Policy Solutions, on behalf of Richardson Bay Regional Agency (RBRA)

Activities Conducted During the Quarter

**Note that organization names have been added as the RFQ process is complete and firms have been confirmed. The contract process has begun.*

Permitting & QAPP

- **Permits and approvals:** *Status of Section 10, 404/401, 401 Certification, and BCDC permits (submittals, agency feedback, anticipated issuance). None at this time.*
- **QAPP:** *Drafting, EPA review, and approval status. None at this time.*
- **Lind Marine:** *None at this time.*

Task 1: Mapping & Priority Debris Identification

- **Lind Marine:** *None at this time.*

Task 2: Marine Debris Removal

- **Lind Marine:** *None at this time.*

Task 3: Measuring Results & Community Translation

- **City of Sausalito (subaward):** *None at this time.*

Task 4: Eelgrass Restoration

- **Ulysses:** *None at this time.*
- **MTS:** *None at this time.*

Task 5: Project Management & Coordination

- **Coastal Policy Solutions conducted the following activities:**
  - Supported RBRA staff by scheduling, coordinating stakeholders, managing email follow-ups, and assisting with general project tasks. Some of this includes: meeting preparations, sending recap emails, materials and next steps, setting up follow up stakeholder meetings, etc.
  - Syncs with EPA project management team
  - Reviewed and organized EPA grant materials
  - Drafted, revised and submitted grant Work Plan and accompanying documents including budget spreadsheet, etc.

- Submitted all other grant agreement related documents
- Officially started RFQ process for Tasks 1,2 and 4
- Reviewed and edited project news release in coordination with RBRA's PR team
- Submitted drawdown #1 for **$2,039.40**

Progress Toward Milestones

Not Started	In Progress	Complete	Delayed	At Risk

Deliverable	Est. due date	Status	Progress / notes
Permitting & QAPP			
Rivers and Harbors Act Section 10 (USACE)	Sept 2026 – June 2027	Not Started	
Clean Water Act Section 404/401 (USACE)	Sept 2026 – June 2027	Not Started	
401 Certification (Regional Water Board)	Sept 2026 – June 2027	Not Started	
BCDC permit (pending confirmation)	Sept 2026 – June 2027	Not Started	
Quality Assurance Project Plan (QAPP)	Sept 2026 – June 2027	Not Started	
Task 1: Mapping & Priority Debris Identification			
High-resolution bathymetric and geophysical survey data	July – Dec 2027	Not Started	
Geospatial debris inventory	July – Dec 2027	Not Started	
Risk-ranked debris removal plan	July – Dec 2027	Not Started	
Final survey report	July – Dec 2027	Not Started	
Task 2: Marine Debris Removal			
Marine Debris Removal Plan	Jan – July 2028	Not Started	
Removal of at least 700 tons of debris (stretch goal of 900 tons)	Jan – July 2028	Not Started	
Documentation of debris type, quantity, and location removed	Jan – July 2028	Not Started	
Quarterly invoices and progress reports	Jan – July 2028	Not Started	
Task 3: Measuring Results & Community Translation			

Deliverable	Est. due date	Status	Progress / notes
Analysis of removal results	Aug 2028 – Jan 2029	Not Started	
Public-facing maps and visualizations of debris distribution and removal progress	Aug 2028 – Jan 2029	Not Started	
One subaward with a community-based organization focused on environmental stewardship	Aug 2028 – Jan 2029	Not Started	
Community workshop presenting results	Aug 2028 – Jan 2029	Not Started	
Task 4: Eelgrass Restoration			
At least 3 acres restored using traditional transplantation	April – June 2029	Not Started	
At least 3 acres restored using AUV seed-based planting	April – June 2029	Not Started	
Side-by-side comparison documentation of AUV vs. traditional outcomes	April – June 2029	Not Started	
Restoration plans and monitoring documentation	April – June 2029	Not Started	
Task 5: Project Management & Coordination			
Quarterly and annual reports to EPA; budget and schedule tracking documentation	Quarterly: Apr 1, Jul 1, Oct 1, Jan 1	In Progress	*First quarterly report submitted*
Final report with assessment of project objectives	May 2029	Not Started	

Problems Encountered with Achieving Outputs and Outcomes

- *None at this time.*

Activities Planned for the Next Quarter

- **Permitting & QAPP:**
- **Task 1: Mapping & Priority Debris Identification:**
- **Task 2: Marine Debris Removal:**
- **Task 3: Measuring Results & Community Translation:**
- **Task 4: Eelgrass Restoration:**
- **Task 5: Project Management & Coordination:**
  - Continue coordination of project activities
  - Process invoices and drawdowns as necessary

Costs Incurred and Cumulative Project Costs

Current as of 09/30/2026

Task	Task budget	Costs this period	Cumulative costs	Funds remaining
Task 1: Mapping & Debris ID	$ 195,500.00	$ -	$ -	$ 195,500.00
Task 2: Marine Debris Removal	$ 1,672,041.35	$ -	$ -	$ 1,672,041.35
Task 3: Results & Community	$ 230,000.00	$ -	$ -	$ 230,000.00
Task 4: Eelgrass Restoration	$ 575,000.00	$ -	$ -	$ 575,000.00
Task 5: Project Management	$ 378,459.25	$ 14,528.54	$ 14,528.54	$ 363,930.71
Total	$ 3,051,000.60	$ 14,528.54	$ 14,528.54	$ 3,036,472.06

Assistance Needed from EPA

- *None at this time*

Project Photos

- *None at this time*