# STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD BOARD MEETING MINUTES NOVEMBER 19, 2013

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## **CALL TO ORDER**

Vice Chair Frances Spivy-Weber called the meeting to order on November 19, 2013 at 9:06 a.m. at the California Environmental Protection Agency Headquarters, 1001 I Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Sacramento, California.

## **BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

Vice Chair Frances Spivy-Weber; Member Tam M. Doduc; Member Steven Moore; Member Dorene D'Adamo

# **BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT**

Chair Felicia Marcus

## **STAFF PRESENT**

Tom Howard, Executive Director
Michael Lauffer, Chief Counsel
Anne Hartridge, Office of Chief Counsel
Nathan Jacobsen, Office of Chief Counsel
Bob Pontureri, Division of Financial Assistance
Christopher Stevens, Division of Financial Assistance
Jule Rizzardo, Division of Financial Assistance
Connie Mitterhofer, Division of Financial Assistance
Ruben Mora, Division of Financial Assistance
Dan Newton, Division of Financial Assistance

Caren Trgovcich, Chief Deputy Director Jonathan Bishop, Chief Deputy Director Jeanine Townsend, Clerk to the Board Courtney Davis, Executive Office Cris Carrigan, Office of Enforcement Barbara Evoy, Division of Water Rights Jim Kassel, Division of Water Rights Jim Maughan, Division of Financial Assistance Liz Haven, Division of Financial Assistance

# **ANNOUNCEMENT**

- Evacuation information in case the fire alarm goes off during the meeting.
- The Board meeting is being webcasted and recorded.

## **BOARD MEETING**

Public comments on agenda items will be limited to 5 minutes or otherwise at the discretion of the Chair

#### **PUBLIC FORUM**

Any member of the public may address and ask questions of the Board relating to any matter within the State Water Board's jurisdiction provided the matter is not on the agenda, or pending before the State Water Resources Control Board or any California Regional Water Quality Control Board.

#### None

## **BOARD BUSINESS**

1. The Board will consider adoption of the November 5, 2013, Board Meeting minutes.

**Motion:** Member Moore moved to adopt the proposed minutes.

Seconded by: Member D'Adamo

MOTION CARRIED: (November 5, 2013)

Aye: Vice Chair Spivy-Weber

Member Moore

Member D'Adamo

Nay: None Absent: Chair Marcus

Member Doduc

Abstain: None

# 2. Board Member Report.

# **Board Member Moore**

- Attended with Chair Marcus the Drinking Water Reorganization Task Force meeting which focused on emergency response issues, operator certification issues and fees structures.
- > Toured the Elk Horn Slough National Estuarine Research Reserve which covered a wide range of issues including the science of estuarine nutrient fate and transport, the interface between agriculture and the estuary, and real time monitoring of nutrients.
- Attended the Marin Watershed Forum which helps to better link citizens of watersheds with the local government to meet Water Board requirements and determine community interest in terms of water resource development.

# **Board Member D'Adamo**

- Attended the Lahontan Regional Water Board meeting where updates were received on monitoring plans for near-shore monitoring and analysis for Lake Tahoe. Also went on a tour which looked at several erosion control projects such as the Upper Truckee River and the Bijou Erosion Control Project.
- > Participated in the San Joaquin Valley Groundwater Overdraft Forum put on by the American Groundwater Trust in Tulare in which the main purpose was to hear about ground-water overdraft in California and other states, and the State Water Board's groundwater concept paper.

# **Board Member Doduc**

- Attended the San Francisco Bay Regional Water Board meeting which focused on next year's priorities and how they hope to be able to accomplish those priorities with their limited resources.
- Attended a meeting to discuss AB 685, the Human Right to Water Law. From that meeting she would like staff to consider including in staff reports how AB 685 was considered when presenting and developing an item to be heard before the Board.

# Vice Chair Spivy-Weber

- Attended the Los Angeles Regional Water Board meeting which included discussions on disadvantaged community actions taking place in the Los Angeles area.
- Attended the San Diego Regional Water Board meeting where the primary action item was the adoption of a type of strategic plan called the Practical Vision- Healthy Headwaters, Healthy People.
- Attended the Colorado River Basin Regional Water Board meeting in which a report from Coachella Valley Regional Water Management Group about the Integrated Regional Water Management planning process, particularly funding salt nutrient planning, was discussed.
- > Spoke on the issue of challenges the regions face when trying to work together such as contracting together on things, and having separate budgets and codes. There is a sense that they cannot work cross-regionally.
- > From an investment perspective she mentioned problems that the Marin County Water Agency was having investing in watershed projects because of limitations on spending from its capital budget.

## **DIVISION OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE**

- 3. Consideration of a proposed Resolution directing the State Water Resources Control Board's Executive Director to apply to the United States Environmental Protection Agency to offer <a href="Extended Term Financing for all projects eligible for the Clean Water State Revolving Fund Program">Extended Term Financing for all projects eligible for the Clean Water State Revolving Fund Program</a>.
  - Comment Letters

Motion: Member D'Adamo moved to adopt the proposed Resolution.

Seconded by: Member Doduc

MOTION CARRIED: (Resolution No. 2013-0036)

**Aye:** Vice Chair Spivy-Weber

Member Doduc Member Moore Member D'Adamo

Nay: None

Absent: Chair Marcus

Abstain: None

#### **Commenters**

Dave Bruns, LA County Sanitation Districts

#### **SANTA ANA REGIONAL WATER BOARD**

4. Consideration of a proposed Resolution to amend the Water Quality Control Plan for the Santa Ana River Basin to revise recreational standards for Inland Fresh Surface Waters in the Santa Ana Region. (Written comments were due on October 1, 2012 by 12 noon.)

**PULLED** 

## INFORMATIONAL ITEM

5. Executive Director's Report.

## **No Action Taken**

# **ADJOURNMENT**

The Board adjourned at 9:32 a.m.

## **IMPORTANT INFORMATION!!**

Unless otherwise specified, submittal of written comments <u>must be received by 12:00 p.m. on November 14, 2013, and will not be accepted after that time</u>.

Submittal of electronic Powerpoint presentations <u>must be received by 12:00 p.m. on November 14, 2013 and will not be</u> <u>accepted after that time.</u>

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