

CENTRAL VALLEY REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD

591st BOARD MEETING MINUTES

FRIDAY, 16 FEBRUARY 2024, 9:00 A.M.

BOARD MEETING LOCATION

Central Valley Water Board
11020 Sun Center Drive, Suite 200
Rancho Cordova, CA 95670
Zoom Teleconference and Webcast

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- Sending an email to agenda5@waterboards.ca.gov (include the date of the Board Meeting);
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BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Chair Mark Bradford, Vice Chair Nick Avdis, Member Denise Kadara, Member Elena Lee Reeder, and Member Sean Yang

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

None

STATE WATER BOARD MEMBER PRESENT

None

STATE WATER BOARD OFFICE OF CHIEF COUNSEL AND ENFORCEMENT STAFF PRESENT

Jessica Jahr, Senior Counsel
Chris Moskal, Counsel
Kennedy Knight, Counsel

EXECUTIVE STAFF PRESENT

Patrick Pulupa, Executive Officer
Adam Laputz, Assistant Executive Officer
Clint Snyder, Assistant Executive Officer
John “JJ” Baum, Assistant Executive Officer
Christina Shupe, Assistant Executive Officer
Mindy Maxwell, Clerk to the Board

AGENDA ITEM 1 – ROLL CALL AND DECLARATION OF A QUORUM

Chair Bradford called the 591st Board Meeting to order and declared a quorum of the Board was present.

AGENDA ITEM 2 – INTRODUCTIONS, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, MEETING RULES

Chair Bradford made introductions and Executive Officer (EO) Patrick Pulupa introduced staff. Vice Chair Avdis led the Pledge of Allegiance.

AGENDA ITEM 3 – BOARD MEMBER COMMUNICATIONS

Chair Bradford submitted the following communication:

- 31 January 2024 - Participated in the Department of Water Resources SGMA update.
- 5 February 2024 – Participated in the Monthly Water Boards’ Chairs Meeting.

Member Kadara submitted the following communications:

- 12 January 2024 – Attended the Climate Resiliency Nexus event in Riverside presented by the Governor’s Office of Planning and Research.

Member Yang submitted the following communications:

- 7 February 2024 – Spoke to Michael Yang, a representative for small famers in the Fresno area regarding flood control and protection.

AGENDA ITEM 4 – STATE WATER BOARD LIAISON UPDATE

State Water Board Member Nichole Morgan was unable to attend the meeting, but provided a written update to the Board Members. A copy can be obtained by emailing agenda5@waterboards.ca.gov.

AGENDA ITEM 5 – PUBLIC FORUM

Any member of the public may address the Board on any matter within the Board’s jurisdiction and not scheduled for consideration at this meeting or pending before the Board. Comments are limited to 3 minutes each.

Commenters

- Jo Anne Kipps, private citizen

AGENDA ITEM 6 – EXECUTIVE OFFICER’S REPORT

Chair Bradford noted prior to each Board Meeting, the EO works with the Executive Assistant and the Board’s Program Managers to compile a report on the status of the Board’s programs and initiatives since the previous Board Meeting.

AGENDA ITEM 7 – ADOPTION OF MINUTES FROM PRIOR BOARD MEETING

Motion to adopt previous Board Meeting minutes from the 14-15 December 2023 Board Meeting.

MOTION TO ADOPT DECEMBER 2023 MEETING MINUTES

Motioned: Vice Chair Avdis
Seconded: Member Lee Reeder

Roll Call Vote:

Member Yang	Yes
Member Lee Reeder	Yes
Member Kadara	Yes
Vice Chair Avdis	Yes
Chair Bradford	Yes

Approved by Roll Call Vote of 5-0-0

**AGENDA ITEM 8 – ADOPTION OF UNCONTESTED CALENDAR AGENDA ITEMS
13 - 17**

UNCONTESTED CALENDAR

(Cal. Code Regs., tit. 23, section 647.2, subd. (f).) Uncontested items are those items that are not being contested at the Board Meeting and will be acted on without discussion. If any person or Board Member requests discussion, the item may be removed from the Uncontested Calendar.

OTHER BUSINESS (AGENDA ITEM 13)

- a. City of Lemoore and Leprino Foods Company, River Ranch Recycled Water Project, Kings County – Consideration of Resolution Adopting Negative Declaration for the River Ranch Recycled Water Project [Katie Carpenter (559) 445-5551]

MOTION TO ADOPT AGENDA ITEM 8 (Uncontested Calendar Item 13)

Motioned: Vice Chair Avdis
 Seconded: Member Yang

Roll Call Vote:

Member Yang	Yes
Member Lee Reeder	Yes
Member Kadara	Yes
Vice Chair Avdis	Yes
Chair Bradford	Yes

Approved by Roll Call Vote of 5-0-0

WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS (AGENDA ITEM 14)

- a. Aqua Clear Farms, Inc. and Hatch Investments Limited Partnership, Aqua Clear Farms, Solano County – Consideration of Revised Waste Discharge Requirements Order No. R5-2014-0105
- b. Bear Valley Community Services District, Bear Valley Community Services District Wastewater Treatment Facility, Kern County – Consideration of revised Waste Discharge Requirements Order No. R5-2015-0011
- c. Kings Waste and Recycling Authority, Houston Avenue Landfill, Kings County – Consideration of Revised Waste Discharge Requirements Order No. R5-2017-0054.
- d. City of Lemoore and Leprino Foods Company, River Ranch Recycled Water Project, Kings County – Consideration of revised Waste Discharge Requirements Order No. R5-2019-0008

NPDES PERMITS (AGENDA ITEM 15)

THIS ITEM WAS MOVED FROM THE CONTESTED CALENDAR

- 11. American Valley Community Services District, American Valley Wastewater Treatment Plant, Plumas County – Consideration of NPDES Permit Renewal (NPDES Permit 0078981)

Assistant Executive Officer Adam Laputz presented late revisions.

- a. City of Dunsmuir, Dunsmuir Wastewater Treatment Plant, Shasta and Siskiyou Counties – Consideration of NPDES Permit Renewal (NPDES Order No. CA0078441)

RESCISSIONS (AGENDA ITEM 16)

- a. Camp Sierra Improvement Association, Camp Sierra Association, and the United States Forest Service, Camp Sierra Wastewater Treatment Facility, Fresno County – Waste Discharge Requirements Order No. 5-00-199

CHANGE OF NAME (AGENDA ITEM 17)

- a. Oroville Landfill Properties, Oroville Class III Wood Waste Landfill, Butte County – Waste Discharge Requirements Order No. R5-2013-0067
- b. West Almanor CSD, Lake Almanor West, Plumas County – Waste Discharge Requirements Order No. 97-254

MOTION TO ADOPT AGENDA ITEM 8 (Uncontested Calendar Items 14 through 17 with late revisions)

Motioned: Member Lee Reeder
Seconded: Vice Chair Avdis

Roll Call Vote:

Member Yang	Yes
Member Lee Reeder	Yes
Member Kadara	Yes
Vice Chair Avdis	Yes
Chair Bradford	Yes

Approved by Roll Call Vote of 5-0-0

AGENDA ITEM 9 – BRONCO WINE COMPANY, BRONCO WINERY, STANISLAUS COUNTY – CONSIDERATION OF REVISED WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS ORDER NO. 96-247

Commenters

- Jo Anne Kipps, private citizen

MOTION TO ADOPT AGENDA ITEM 9

Motioned: Vice Chair Avdis
Seconded: Member Lee Reeder

Roll Call Vote:

Member Yang	Yes
Member Lee Reeder	Yes
Member Kadara	Yes
Vice Chair Avdis	Yes
Chair Bradford	Yes

Approved by Roll Call Vote of 5-0-0

AGENDA ITEM 10 – FORWARD INC., FORWARD LANDFILL, SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY – CONSIDERATION OF REVISED WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS (WDRS) ORDER NO. R5-2014-0006

Commenters

- Michael La Forge, a private citizen addressed the Board and requested Item 10 be moved to a subsequent Board Meeting. The Board voted to move forward with the staff presentation and voting.

MOTION TO HEAR AGENDA ITEM 10 ON 16 FEBRUARY 2024

Motioned: Vice Chair Avdis
Seconded: Member Lee Reeder

Roll Call Vote:

Member Yang	Yes
Member Lee Reeder	Yes
Member Kadara	Yes
Vice Chair Avdis	Yes
Chair Bradford	Yes

Approved by Roll Call Vote of 5-0-0

After the staff presentation and comments from Mr. La Forge, the Board voted to adopt the revised WDRs for Forward Landfill.

MOTION TO ADOPT AGENDA ITEM 10 (with late revisions)

Motioned: Vice Chair Avdis
Seconded: Member Yang

Roll Call Vote:

Member Yang	Yes
Member Lee Reeder	Yes
Member Kadara	Yes
Vice Chair Avdis	Yes
Chair Bradford	Yes

Approved by Roll Call Vote of 5-0-0

**AGENDA ITEM 11 – AMERICAN VALLEY COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT,
AMERICAN VALLEY WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT, PLUMAS COUNTY –
CONSIDERATION OF NPDES PERMIT RENEWAL (NPDES PERMIT 0078981)**

THIS ITEM MOVED TO THE UNCONTESTED CALENDAR

AGENDA ITEM 12 – ELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR

Chair Bradford maintained the position of Board Chair and Nicholas Avdis maintained the position of Vice Chair for the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board for 2024.

MOTION TO ADOPT AGENDA ITEM 12

Motioned: Member Lee Reeder

Seconded: Member Yang

Roll Call Vote:

Member Yang	Yes
Member Lee Reeder	Yes
Member Kadara	Yes
Vice Chair Avdis	Yes
Chair Bradford	Yes

Approved by Roll Call Vote of 5-0-0

MEETING ADJOURNED

The Board Meeting adjourned at 12:01 p.m. to the 18-19 April 2024 Board Meeting in Fresno, California.