

**Minutes of the Joint Meeting with the  
Board of Forestry:**

1:00 P.M., Tuesday, September 23, 2014  
Fort Bragg Town Hall  
363 N. Main Street  
Fort Bragg, CA 95437

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**i. Pledge of Allegiance**

Board Member Massey led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ii. Roll Call and Introductions**

Regional Water Board Members present: John Corbett, David Noren, William Massey, Geoffrey Hales, Gregory Giusti and Valerie Minton

Regional Water Board staff present: Matt St. John, David Leland, Patti Corsie, Fred Blatt, Nathan Jacobsen, Alydda Mangelsdorf, Jim Burke, Dean Prat, David Fowler, Clayton Creager, and Jonathan Meurer

Board of Forestry Members Present: J. Keith Gilles, Mark Andre, Rich Wade and Mike Miles

Board of Forestry Members Absent: Bruce Saito, Susan Britting, Stuart Farber, Mary Rickert and Susan Husari

Board of Forestry Staff Present: George "YG" Gentry, Matthew Dias, Thembi Borrás, Stephen Lerner and Chris Rowney

**iii. Water Board Member Ex Parte Communication Disclosure**

- William Massey met with State and local officials regarding West County sewer issue and issues regarding regulation of discharges from marijuana cultivation.
- John Corbett along with Matt St. John, Executive Officer, Clayton Creager, Staff Environmental Scientist, met with landowners Andy Westfall and Lane Russ, and Katherine Ziemer of the Humboldt County Farm Bureau to discuss the importance and details of the Farm Bureau's participation in the Recovery Assessment in the Elk River.

**iv. Public Forum:** Time will be reserved for the general public to address the Boards on any matter within the Boards' jurisdiction, excluding those items on the agenda. The

Board Chairs may limit the public forum to thirty (30) minutes initially, and continue any remaining appearances beyond the thirty (30) minutes at the end of the regularly scheduled business of the day. The Board Chairs requests that each person addressing the Boards limit their presentation to three (3) minutes.

Comments were taken from:

- Alan Levine, Director, Coast Action Group

- v. **Appreciation for Holly Lundborg:** Chairman Corbett read the Appreciation for Holly Lundborg, retired Engineering Geologist. Matt St. John, Executive Officer presented Holly with the Sustained Superior Accomplishment Award for her dedication and passion for water quality throughout her career.

Comments were taken from:

- Alan Levine, Director, Coast Action Group spoke for Richard Gienger, Humboldt Restoration Council.

## Information Item

1. **Board of Forestry and Fire Protection and North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board:**
  - a. **Presentation by staff of the Board of Forestry and Fire Protection (BOF):**
    - i. **BOF authority, mission, strategic goals:** George "YG" Gentry, Executive Officer, Board of Forestry gave a presentation and overview on the Board of Forestry's authority, mission and strategic goals.
    - ii. **Assembly Bill 1492:** Dr. Russ Henly, Assistant Secretary of Forest Resources Management gave a presentation and overview of Assembly Bill 1492 that addresses timber regulation and forest restoration programs under the Natural Resources Agency and CalEPA.
    - iii. **Monitoring Study Group:** Peter Cafferata, Watershed Protection Program Manager, California Department of Forestry and Protection gave a presentation and overview of the Monitoring Study Group and Effectiveness Monitoring Committee.
  - b. **Presentation by staff of the North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board:**
    - i. **Water Board mission, history, authority:** Fred Blatt, Environmental Program Manager I, Timber Harvest and Non-Point Source Division, gave a presentation and overview on the Water Boards' mission, history and authority.
    - ii. **History of Timber Harvest Regulation in the North Coast.** Jim Burke, Senior Engineering Geologist, Southern Timber Unit, gave a presentation and overview on the history of the timber harvest regulations in the North Coast.

iii. **Opportunities Looking Forward:** Matt St. John, Executive Officer, gave a presentation on the protections for water quality that are currently in place and the opportunities that exist for additional improvements for water resource protection through adaptive management and watershed stewardship programs.

d. **Boards' Discussion:** Each Board member spoke about their thoughts on this joint Board meeting and how best to continue the collaboration between the Water Board and the Board of Forestry in the future.

c. **Public Comments:**

Comments were taken from:

- Alan Levine, Director, Coast Action Group
- Gary Rynerson, Green Diamond Resource Company

2. **Arrangements for Next Water Board Meeting and Adjournment**

09:00 a.m., October 9, 2014

Best Western Miner's Inn

122 E. Miner Street

Yreka, CA 96097

Meeting adjourned at 3:45 pm.

Chairperson\_\_\_\_\_

Date\_\_\_\_\_