

**CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL LABORATORY TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (ELTAC)**  
**COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**  
**JULY 13, 2017**

More information on the Environmental Laboratory Accreditation Program (ELAP) and previous ELTAC meetings can be found at <http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/elap>.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chairperson Andy Eaton called the meeting to order on July 13, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. at the California Environmental Protection Agency Headquarters, 1001 I Street, Sierra Hearing Room, Sacramento, CA 95814 and the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California – La Verne, Weymouth Room, 700 Moreno Avenue, La Verne, CA 91750.

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT**

*DELAPO:* Christine Sotelo

*Representatives (voting):*

Mindy Boele  
Jill Brodt  
Stephen Clark  
Huy Do  
Andy Eaton  
Miriam Ghabour  
Anthony Gonzalez  
Rich Gossett  
David Kimbrough  
Allison Mackenzie  
Guilda Neshvad

*State Regulatory Agency Employees (non-voting):*

Bruce Burton  
Gail Cho  
Renee Spears

*Alternates:*

John Quinn (for Bruce LaBelle – non-voting)

*Not Present:*

Ronald Coss  
Bruce Godfrey  
Mark Koekemoer  
Bruce LaBelle (non-voting)

**OTHER STAFF PRESENT**

*Scribe:* Katelyn McCarthy

*ELAP:* Maria Friedman, Maryam Khosravifard, Jacob Oaxaca

**ANNOUNCEMENT**

- *Evacuation information in case the fire alarm goes off during the meeting.*
- *The Committee meeting is being webcast and recorded.*

## **COMMITTEE MEETING**

### **PUBLIC FORUM**

Any member of the public may address and ask question of the Committee relating to any matter within ELTAC's scope provided the matter is not on the agenda, or pending before the Advisory Committee.

### **COMMITTEE BUSINESS**

#### **Call to Order/Roll Call**

#### **Public Comments on Items Not on Agenda**

(The Committee will not take any action but will consider placing any item raised on the agenda at a future meeting.)

- *Josie Tellers – City of Davis – Requested future meeting items on the status of Assembly Bill 1438 and the Revision of ELTAC's By-Laws*

#### **Approval of Amended Minutes from March 29, 2017 Meeting**

**Motion:** Member Clark motioned to adopt the minutes.

**Seconded by:** Member Boele

**MOTION CARRIED:** July 13, 2017

**Aye:** Member Boele  
Member Brodt  
Member Clark  
Member Do  
Member Eaton  
Member Ghabour  
Member Gonzales  
Member Gossett  
Member Kimbrough  
Member Mackenzie  
Member Neshvad  
**Nay:** None  
**Absent:** Member Coss  
Member Godfrey  
Member Koekemoer  
**Abstain:** None

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#### **DELAPO Report**

- *DELAPO Christine Sotelo updated committee members on the program's progress since last meeting:*
  - *Assessor training through contractor NV5/Dade Moeller begins in August*
  - *August 1<sup>st</sup> Board Meeting item will ask the State Water Board (the State Board) to allocate funding for small laboratory training contract*
  - *ELAP is currently drafting preliminary text for new regulations*
  - *The State Board supported ELAP's proposal to accept third-party assessments to reduce backlog. ELAP is developing minimum qualifications.*

- **DELAPO Christine Sotelo presented informational items:**
    - **ELAP participated in Beach Water Quality Monitoring Workgroup to inquire if Agency Partners want the program to accredit for new method - quantitative polymerase chain reaction (QPCR). The workgroup believe it is premature at this time since the method is still changing.**
    - **US EPA asked ELAP to distribute clarifying information on detection limits for radionuclides. The draft announcement was included in meeting materials for committee comment.**
  - **Division of Drinking Water (DDW) gave an update informing the committee of their intent to revise regulations by lowering the detection limit for purposes of reporting (DLR) for perchlorate. DDW requested a workgroup of ELTAC members to assist in determining the community's capacity.**
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### **Fees Stakeholder Workgroup Update**

Chairperson Andy Eaton gave committee members a summary presentation of the progress of the Fees Stakeholder Workgroup, including a summary of the nine preliminary proposals. No formal action was taken by the committee.

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### **Proficiency Testing Workgroup Update**

DELAPO Christine Sotelo gave committee members a summary presentation of the progress of the Proficiency Testing Workgroup, including a summary of the issues discussed. No formal action was taken by the committee.

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### **Enforcement Implementation Discussion**

Member Kimbrough discussed concerns with current proficiency testing requirements. No formal action was taken by the committee.

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### **Draft Regulations**

Maryam Khosravifard, ELAP, presented information on the timeline for development of new regulations and outlined the anticipated major changes. The committee discussed the proposed changes. A video of comments is available at: [https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/drinking\\_water/certlic/labs/events\\_calendar.shtml](https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/drinking_water/certlic/labs/events_calendar.shtml). No formal action was taken by the committee.

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### **Adjournment**

The Committee adjourned at 4:30pm.