

**STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD
BOARD MEETING SESSION – DIVISION OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE
JULY 17, 2012**

ITEM 4

SUBJECT

CONSIDERATION OF A PROPOSED RESOLUTION FOR OPERATOR CERTIFICATION AND TRAINING ADVISORY COMMITTEE (ADVISORY COMMITTEE) APPOINTMENT

DISCUSSION

The Water Code, Sections 13631 - 13633, requires that the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) appoint a nine-member Advisory Committee to assist in carrying out its duties regarding wastewater treatment (WWTP) plant operator certification. The State Water Board has maintained an Advisory Committee since the WWTP operator certification regulations were adopted in 1972. The operator certification regulations require that Advisory Committee members be appointed for a four-year term. The terms of four Advisory Committee members expired on June 30, 2012.

The State Water Board has received four nominations, or re-nominations, from those statewide organizations listed in the Water Code Section 13632 and from State Water Board staff. These nominees are listed below. The nominees have indicated directly to Division of Financial Assistance staff that they are willing to serve on the Advisory Committee.

For the period beginning July 1, 2012, and ending June 30, 2016:

1. Representing organized labor (Nominated by California-Nevada Conference of Operating Engineers):

Mr. Lawrence F. Dimock, Plant Supervisor
California Department of Corrections & Rehabilitation, California Institution for Men
(Nominated by the International Union of Operating Engineers, Local 501, AFL-CIO)
2. Representing Municipal Treatment Plant Operators and Supervisors (Nominated by California Water Environment Association):

Mr. Chris Berch, Operations Supervisor
Inland Empire Utilities Agency
3. Representing Colleges and Universities (Nominated by State Water Resources Control Board Staff):

Mr. Ken Kerri, Professor
California State University, Sacramento

4. Representing local sanitation agencies (Nominated by California Association of Sanitation Agencies):

Mr. Wyatt Troxel, Senior Re-Integrative Solutioneer
Inland Empire Utilities Agency
(Nominated by California Association of Sanitation Agencies)

POLICY ISSUE

Should the State Water Board appoint the nominees to the Advisory Committee?

FISCAL IMPACT

The Advisory Committee is not paid a salary and meets up to twice a year.

REGIONAL WATER BOARD IMPACT

None.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

The State Water Board should appoint the nominees to the Advisory Committee.

State Water Board action on this item will assist the Water Boards in reaching Goal 6 of the Strategic Plan Update: 2008-2012 to narrative of goal. In particular, approval of these items will assist in fulfilling the State Water Boards' environmental priorities, which are: Protect and restore surface water quality; Protect and restore groundwater quality; Promote sustainable local water supplies; and Water quality planning.

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STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD RESOLUTION NO. 2012-

OPERATOR CERTIFICATION AND TRAINING ADVISORY COMMITTEE (ADVISORY COMMITTEE) APPOINTMENT

WHEREAS:

1. The Water Code, Sections 13631 – 13633, requires that the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) appoint a nine-member Advisory Committee to assist in carrying out its duties regarding wastewater treatment plant (WWTP) operator certification;
2. The term of four Advisory Committee members expired on June 30, 2012; and
3. The State Water Board has received four nominations, or re-nominations, from statewide organizations listed in the Water Code Section 13632 and from State Water Board staff. These nominees are listed below. The nominees have indicated directly to Division of Financial Assistance staff that they are willing to serve on the Advisory Committee.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The State Water Board appoints the following members of the Advisory Committee. Terms shall be as follows:

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CERTIFICATION

The undersigned Clerk to the Board does hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of a resolution duly and regularly adopted at a meeting of the State Water Resources Control Board held on July 17, 2012.

Jeanine Townsend
Clerk to the Board