

**STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 10, 2013**

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CALL TO ORDER

Chair Felicia Marcus called the meeting to order on September 10, 2013 at 9:05 a.m. at the California Environmental Protection Agency Headquarters, 1001 I Street, 2nd Floor, Sacramento, California.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

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

STAFF PRESENT

Tom Howard, Executive Director	Caren Trgovcich, Chief Deputy Director
Michael Lauffer, Chief Counsel	Jonathan Bishop, Chief Deputy Director
Emel Wadhvani, Office of Chief Counsel	Jeanine Townsend, Clerk to the Board
Darrin Polhemus, Division of Administrative Services	Courtney Davis, Executive Office
Barbara Evoy, Division of Water Rights	Liz Haven, Division of Financial Assistance
Jim Kassel, Division of Water Rights	Jim Maughan, Division of Financial Assistance
George Kostyrko, Office of Public Affairs	Scott Couch, Division of Water Quality
Tim Moran, Office of Public Affairs	Leo Cosentini, Division of Water Quality
Kathy Owen, Division of Information Technology	John Borkovich, Division of Water Quality

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

PRESENTATION OF SUSTAINED SUPERIOR ACCOMPLISHMENT AWARD

- ***Kathy Owen presented the Sustained Superior Accomplishment Award to: Tim Shea, Eric Santos, Susan Boucher, & James Miers.***

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 August 20-21, 2013 Board Meeting minutes.

Motion: Member Doduc moved to adopt the proposed minutes.

Seconded by: Vice Chair Spivy-Weber

MOTION CARRIED: ([August 20-21, 2013](#))

Aye: Chair Marcus
Vice Chair Spivy-Weber
Member Doduc
Member D'Adamo

Nay: None

Absent: None

Abstain: Member Moore

2. Board Member Report.

Chair Marcus:

- *Participated on a panel with energy agencies at a California Energy Commission workshop on September 9 to discuss preliminary plans to address the closure of the San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station.*
- *She and Board Member D'Adamo went on a tour of several farms in the Salinas Valley where farming and flood control issues were discussed.*

Vice Chair Spivy-Weber:

- *Attended the nitrate treatment technology workshop on September 4th and 5th that was co-sponsor by California Department of Public Health.*

Board Member D'Adamo:

- *Participated in a field tour of the southern part of Sacramento Valley on September 6th that provided examples of projects contained in the Northern California Water Agencies' Sustainability Report.*

Board Member Moore:

- *Was a speaker on the California Stormwater Quality Association panel regarding integrated water management on September 9th.*
- *Was a speaker at an event held by the Coastal Watershed Council in the Santa Cruz area that supports the Central Coast Water Board's Farm Food Safety and Conservation Network effort.*

Board Member Doduc:

- *Challenges colleagues to participate in California's Coastal Cleanup Day on September 21st and report back efforts at the September 24th Board Meeting.*

UNCONTESTED ITEM* (Item 3)

- *3 Consideration of a proposed Resolution [authorizing the Executive Director or designee to enter into contracts to continue to implement the Groundwater Ambient Monitoring and Assessment Program.](#)

Motion: Vice Chair Spivy-Weber moved to adopt the proposed Resolution.

Seconded by: Member D'Adamo

MOTION CARRIED: ([Resolution No. 2013-0026](#))

Aye: Chair Marcus
Vice Chair Spivy-Weber
Member Doduc
Member Moore
Member D'Adamo

Nay: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

OFFICE OF CHIEF COUNSEL

4. Consideration of adoption of an order amending, in part, [Conditional Waiver of Waste Discharge Requirements Order No. R3-2012-0011 for Discharges from Irrigated Lands, Monitoring and Reporting Program Order Nos. R3-2012-0011-01, R3-2012-0011-02, and R3-2012-0011-03, and Resolution No. R3-2012-0012, issued by the Central Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board](#). (SWRCB/OCC Files A-2209(a)-(e)). ([Written comments](#) are due on September 3, 2012 by 12 noon.)

No Action Taken – Continued to September 24, 2013 Board Meeting

- **Board Member Doduc recused herself from this Item.**
- **Extension was granted for written comments to be submitted on September 17, 2013 by 12 noon and were limited to changes made on the September 9, 2013 version of the draft Order.**
- **The prohibition on ex parte communications from interested persons was temporarily lifted until September 17th at 12 noon, when it would resume.**

Commenters

Angela Schroeter, Central Coast Water Board
Frances McChesney, Central Coast Water Board
Bill Thomas, Ocean Mist/RC Farms
Tess Dunham, Grower Shipper – Western Growers ([Presentation](#))
Kari Fisher, California Farm Bureau
Ben Pitterle, Santa Barbara ChannelKeeper
Steve Shimek, The Otter Project ([Presentation](#))
William Elliott, Jensen Farms
Colin Bailey, Environmental Justice Coalition for Water
Horacio Amezcua, San Jerardo Cooperative
Jeanette Pantoja, California Rural Legal Assistance, Inc.
Jennifer Clary, Clean Water Action
Steve Deverel, Central Coast Groundwater Coalition
Kay Mercer, KMI
Rev. Lindi Ramsden, Unitarian Universalist Legislative Ministry
Rita Butterfield, Unitarian Universalist Service Committee
Dena Valero, California Coastkeeper Alliance
Eldridge Moores, General Public
Parry Klassen, CURES/ Coalition for Urban Runoff Enviro Stewardship
Kathleen Mead, General Public
AbbyTaylor-Silva, Grower Shipper Association of Central CA
Gail Delihant, Western Growers Association
Kenia Acevedo, California Rural Legal Assistance

ADJOURNMENT

The Board adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION!!

Unless otherwise specified, submittal of written comments must be received by 12:00 p.m. on September 4, 2013, and will not be accepted after that time.

Submittal of **electronic Powerpoint presentations** must be received by 12:00 p.m. on September 4, 2013 and will not be accepted after that time.

Submittals are to be sent via e-mail to the Clerk to the Board at commentletters@waterboards.ca.gov. Please indicate in the subject line, "**9/10/13 BOARD MEETING (fill in bolded subject from appropriate item).**" If you have questions about the agenda, contact the Clerk to the Board at (916) 341-5600.

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* Items on the uncontested items calendar may be removed at the request of any Board member or person. If an item is removed from the uncontested items calendar, it will only be voted on at this meeting if the Board accepts the staff recommendation for the agenda item. Otherwise, the item will be continued to a subsequent board meeting to allow input by interested persons.

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