State of California Regional Water Quality Control Board North Coast Region

### Minutes of Meeting

1:30 p.m., Wednesday, June 3, 2009 8:30 a.m., Thursday, June 4, 2009 Regional Water Quality Control Board David C. Joseph Hearing Room 5550 Skylane Blvd., Ste A Santa Rosa, CA 95403

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# Wednesday, June 3, 2009

### 1:30 P.M.

## i. Pledge of Allegiance

William Massey led the Pledge of Allegiance

## ii. Roll Call and Introductions:

Board Members present: Bob Anderson, John Corbett, Carol Dean, Mike

Dunker, Geoffrey Hales, Heidi Harris, William

Massey, and David Noren

Regional Water Board staff: Catherine Kuhlman, Luis Rivera, Samantha Olson,

Kim Niemeyer, Robert Klamt, David Leland, Holly Lundborg, Matt St. John, James Burt, Bryan McFadin, Charles Reed, Katharine Carter, Patti Corsie, Greg

Nash, Drew Bayless, and Jean Lockett

# iii. Board Member Ex Parte Communication Disclosure:

William Massey reported that he met with State Water Board staff to discuss operator certification and enforcement for small sewer systems. He also reported conversations with elective officials of the North coast region regarding sewer systems.

Geoffrey Hales stated he met with Supervisor, Mark Lovelace, of the 3<sup>rd</sup> District of Humboldt County, and Freshwater resident Cletus Isabel on Timber Harvest Tier II and how it is being applied in the Freshwater Shed.

v. State Board Liaison's, Board Chair's, Board Members' and Executive Officer's Reports:

# Information Item

1. Update on the UC Davis Big Springs Ranch Study

David Leland, Division Chief of the Watershed Protection Division, introduced the item to the Board. He gave a brief presentation and turned the item over to Dr. Mike Deas, Watercourse Engineering, Inc., and Drew Nichols, U.C. Davis Center for Watershed Sciences, to give the presentation.

# **Public Hearing**

2. Public Hearing on Resolution No. R1-2009-0047 to consider whether to affirm, reject, or modify the Clean Water Act Section 303(d) List of Impaired Waters section of the 2008 Integrated Report.

Chairman Anderson administered the Oath to those who expected to testify in this item. The presentation was given by Matt St. John, Lead for the TMDL, and Katherine Carter.

# Comments were taken from:

Sari Sommarstrom, representing Siskiyou RCD and self
Greg Laurie, representing Klamath Nation Forest
Ric Costales, Natural Resource Specialist for Siskiyou County
Susan Corum, representing the Karuk Tribe
Daniel Meyers, representing the Redwood Chapter Sierra Club
Scott Harding, representing Klamath Riverkeeper
Don McEnhill, representing Russian Riverkeeper and California Coastkeeper Alliance
Brenda Adelman, representing Russian River Watershed Protection Council
Lyra Cressey, Salmon River Restoration Council

### Information Item

3. Update on the Russian River First Flush 2007 Report

Sierra Cantor, Sotoyome Resource Conservation District and Don McEnhill with Russian Riverkeeper gave the presentation.

### Thursday, June 4, 2009

8:30 A.M.

## iv. Pledge of Allegiance

Pledge Allegiance was led by Mike Dunker

### v. Roll Call and Introductions

Board Members present: Bob Anderson, John Corbett, Carol Dean,

Mike Dunker, Heidi Harris, William Massey,

and David Noren

Regional Water Board staff present: Catherine Kuhlman, Luis Rivera, Samantha

Olson, Kim Niemeyer, Robert Klamt, David

Leland, Matt St. John, James Burt, Bryan McFadin, Charles Reed, Katharine Carter, Clara Turner, Greg Nash, Drew Bayless, and Jean Lockett

Absent: Geoffrey Hales was not in intendance.

# vi. State Board Liaison's, Board Chair's, Board Members' and Executive Officer's Reports:

State Board Liaison, Tam Doduc, reported that the State Board staff has been work on the construction Storm Water Permit. A hearing for the Permit was held June 10, 2009. State board staff is also working on the water Quality Enforcement Policy a workshop is scheduled for June 11, 2009. State board staff is also working on the Statewide Irrigation Project using Recycled water that will come before the state board for consideration in July 2009. She briefly discussed the budget crisis stating that there is no news.

The Board Chair reported that he participated in the monthly teleconference for Board Chairs. The discussion was the budget.

### vii. Public Forum:

Comments were taken from:
Duanne De Witt, public interest
Richard Gienger, public interest

4. Approval of Meeting Minutes: April 2009

Motion: William Massey moved to accept the minutes with the amendments. John Corbett seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

### **Uncontested Item**

 Public Hearing on Order No. R1-2009-0034 to consider adoption of rescinding Waste Discharge Requirements Order No. R1-2004-0012, in the matter of Exchange Bank Data Center, 330 Sebastopol Road, Santa Rosa, CA, WDID No. 1B03129RSON

Motion: William Massey moved to adopt the

uncontested calendar. John Corbett seconded the motion. Motion passed

unanimously.

# **Public Hearing**

6. Public Hearing on Order No. R1-2009-0038 to consider Categorical Waiver of Waste Discharge Requirements for discharges related to **Timber Harvest Activities on Non-Federal Lands** in the North Coast Region

Chairman Anderson administered the Oath to those who expected to testify in this item.

Robert Klamt gave a brief overview of the presentation and introduced Matt Buffleben who gave the presentation.

# Comments were taken from:

Bill Snyder, representing California Department of Forestry & Fire Protection Richard Gienger, public interest Ruthann Schulte, representing The Buckeye Association Charles L. Ciancio, public interest Elizabeth Marshall Maybee, representing The Buckeye Association Nick Kent, representing Kent and Associates Mitchell Haydon, public interest John Williams, representing Forest Landowners of California Matt Greene, representing Small non Industrial landowners and NTMP holders Michele Dias, representing California Forestry Association Daniel Myers, representing Sierra Club

Motion: John Corbett moved to adopt the mitigated declaration, Order R1-2009-0038 as amended by the Errata Sheet, staff and the board. Mike Dunker seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

7. Public Hearing on Order No. R1-2009-0033 to consider adoption of proposed Waste Discharge Requirements to replace Order No. R1-2004-0013 in the matter of **City of Eureka Greater Eureka Area, Elk River Wastewater Treatment Facility,** NPDES No. CA0024449, WDID No. 1B821510HUM

Chairman Anderson administered the Oath to those who expected to testify in this item.

Charles Reed, Regional Water Board staff, entered the file into the administrative record and gave the presentation.

# Comments were taken from:

Michael Mike, representing the City of Eureka as the Assistant City Managers Operations There were no comments from Bruce Young, deputy of Public Works Director but wanted to acknowledged his presences.

Motion: William Massey moved to adopt Order

No. R1-2009-0033. Mike Dunker seconded the motion. Motion passed

unanimously.

8. Public Hearing on Order No. R1-2009-0030 to consider adoption of proposed Waste Discharge Requirements in the matter of **Fort Bragg Municipal Improvement District No. 1 Wastewater Treatment Facility** NPDES No. CA0023078, WDID No. 1B84083OMEN

Chairman Anderson administered the Oath to those who expected to testify in this item.

Charles Reed, Regional Water Board staff, entered the file into the Administrative record and gave the presentation.

Comments were taken from:

Dave Goebel, Direct of public Works for the City of Fort Bragg

Motion: William Massey moved to adopt Order

No. R1-2009-0033 with the

addendum. Mike Dunker seconded

the motion. Motion passed

unanimously.

The Regional Water Board staff was directed to ask for additional monitoring for DDT Effluent by issuing a 13267 during the five-year period of the Waste Discharge Requirements Order.

## Information Items

# 9. Executive Officer's Report

This item is a written report.

## 10. Board Member Requests for Future Agenda Items

There were no suggestions for future agenda items.

### 11. Other Items of Interest

The Executive Officer stated that an additional meeting for the adoption of the MS4 Order was scheduled for October 1, 2009 at the Regional Water Board.

# 12. Closed Session

There being no further business to come before the Regional Water Board, the meeting adjourned at 4:40 p.m. The next Regional Water Board Meeting is scheduled for July 22 and 23, 2009 in Santa Rosa, California.

Chairperson	 	
Date:	 	