

Minutes of Meeting

8:30 A.M., Thursday, September 6, 2018
David C. Joseph Meeting Room
5550 Skylane Blvd., Suite A
Santa Rosa, CA 95403

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ii. **Roll Call and Introductions**

Board Members present: John Corbett, Kelli Gant, Gregory Giusti,
David Noren, and Valerie Minton Quinto

Board Members absent: Hector Bedolla

Regional Water Board staff present: Katharine Carter, Patti Corsie, Josh Curtis,
Rich Fadness, Nathan Jacobsen, Alydda
Mangelsdorf, Donna Poe, Charles Reed,
Matt St. John, Chuck Striplen, and Claudia
Villacorta

i. **Pledge of Allegiance**

Board Member Valerie Minton Quinto led the Pledge of Allegiance.

iii. **Board Member Reports and Ex Parte Communication Disclosure:**

Board member Giusti disclosed he met with the Smith River Easter Lily Bulb farmers and toured the lily bulb fields in Del Norte County. Vice-Chair Minton Quinto and Chairman Noren attended a meeting with Sonoma County Board of Supervisor's regarding the upcoming Russian River Pathogen TMDL.

State Board Liaison's Report: The State Board Liaison, Steven Moore updated the Board on:

- Budget issues
- Recent and upcoming activities at the State Water Board
- Drought issues
- Legislation passed or pending

iv. **Public Forum:**

Comments were taken from:

- Kimberly Burr, Green Valley Creek
- Bill Wadsworth, Occidental resident
- Felice Pace, North Group Redwood Chapter, Sierra Club

1. **Consideration of Resolution expressing appreciation to Patricia “Patty” Gorup-Iverson.** Chairman Noren read the Resolution of appreciation to Patty Gorup-Iverson for her distinguished and loyal service to the people of the State of California, and the waters of the state, and for her outstanding work as the Staff Services Manager for the North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board.

2. **Approval of Meeting Minutes:** July 11, 2018

Motion: Board member Corbett moved to adopt July 11, 2018 minutes, Board member Minton Quinto seconded the motion; Chairman Noren initiated a roll-call vote:

Minton Quinto aye
Corbett aye
Noren aye
Gant aye
Giusti abstained

Motion passed: 4 ayes, 1 abstained.

Uncontested Items

3. **Public Hearing on Order No R1-2018-0033 to consider adoption of proposed Waste Discharge Requirements for the Garberville Sanitary District Wastewater Treatment Facility, WDID No. 1B750280SON (*Rachel Prat*)**
4. **Public Hearing on Order No. R1-2018-0035 to consider adoption of proposed Waste Discharge Requirements and Water Recycling Requirements for the City of Ukiah Wastewater Treatment Plant, WDID No. 1B84029OMEN, NPDES No. CA0022888 (*Cathleen Goodwin*)**
5. **Public Hearing on Order No. R1-2018-0034 to consider adoption of proposed Waste Discharge Requirements for City of Cloverdale Wastewater Treatment Plant, WDID No. 1B84032OSON, NPDES No. CA0022977 (*Imtiaz-Ali Kalyan*)**

Motion: Board member Corbett moved to adopt Items 3, 4 & 5. Board member Gant seconded the motion; Chairman Noren initiated a roll-call vote:

Minton Quinto aye
Corbett aye
Noren aye
Gant aye
Giusti aye

Motion passed unanimously.

6. **Public Hearing on Order No. R1-2018-0032 to consider adoption of proposed Waste Discharge Requirements for McKinleyville Community Services District Wastewater Management Facility, WDID No. 1B820840HUM, NPDES No. CA0024490 (Justin McSmith)**

Motion: Board member Corbett recused himself from this item, as he serves as a Board Director on the McKinleyville Community Services District Board. Board member Giusti moved to adopt Item 6. Board member Minton Quinto seconded the motion; Chairman Noren initiated a roll-call vote:

Minton Quinto aye
Corbett recused
Noren aye
Gant aye
Giusti aye

Motion passed: 4 Ayes and 1 recused

Board member Gant left the Board meeting to return home due to fires burning near her residence in Trinity Center, CA.

Action Items

7. **Public Hearing to Consider Adoption of Proposed Resolution No. R1-2018-0030 Approving the 2018 Triennial Review of the *Water Quality Control Plan for the North Coast Region* and the *Basin Planning Workplan for Fiscal Years 2018 through 2021*.** Alydda Mangelsdorf, Division Chief, Planning & Stewardship Division, gave a presentation on the history of the Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act and the Clean Water Act; reviewed the 2018 Triennial Review timeline; the public comments received and revisions to the Adopting Resolution and Planning Program Workplan, with staff recommendation to adopt.

Comments were taken from:

- Jill Kjellsson, representative for City of Fortuna
- Felice Pace, North Group Redwood Chapter, Sierra Club
- Vivian Helliwell, Pacific Coast Federation of Fishermen's Associations
- Chris Malan, Institute for Conservation Advocacy Research & Education
- Bob Legge, Russian Riverkeeper

Motion: Board member Corbett moved to adopt Item 7, Board member Minton Quinto seconded the motion; Chairman Noren initiated a roll-call vote:

Minton Quinto aye
Corbett aye

Noren aye
Giusti aye

Motion passed unanimously.

Information Items

8. **Update on Post-Fire Debris Management in Sonoma and Mendocino Counties** Charles Reed, Senior Water Resource Control Engineer, Groundwater Permitting Unit, introduced Trish Pisenti, Interim Deputy Director and Glenn Morelli, Professional Geologist, Sonoma County Department of Transportation & Public Works; and Peter Pouwels, Operations Manager, Republic Services. Mr. Reed gave an outline of the Debris Management framework highlighting the coordination between Federal, State, and local partners through the Debris Task Force. Mr. Reed detailed the North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board Order R1-2017-0055 *Conditional Waiver of Waste Discharge Requirement for Disaster-Related Waste During a State of Emergency in the North Coast Region's* timeline, applicability, enrollment, enrollees, and debris management successes and areas needing improvement. Mr. Reed also gave an update on the 2018 wildfires and debris management of: 1) Klamathon, 2) Carr, 3) Range, 4) Ranch, 5) Natchez, and 6) Mill Creek (Hoopa) fires. Ms. Pisenti gave an update on the Sonoma County Complex fires, as well as the Fire Debris Management Task Force's community outreach efforts, local implementation, challenges, issues, complaint handling, lessons learned, and ongoing activities. Mr. Pouwels presented on the work done by Republic Services to manage and accept fire debris at the Sonoma Central Landfill.
9. **Update on Post Fire Water Quality Monitoring – Current State of Knowledge and Future Planning.** Katharine Carter, Senior Environmental Scientist, Adaptive Management Unit, introduced Charles Striplen, Environmental Scientist, Adaptive Management Unit; Kevin Lunde, San Francisco Bay Regional Water Board; Janice Thomas, Division of Drinking Water, State Water Board; Heaven Moore, City of Santa Rosa; Todd Schram, Sonoma County Water Agency; Lisa Micheli, Pepperwood Preserve; and Virginia Mahacek, Sonoma County Office of Recovery & Resiliency Watershed Task Force. Ms. Carter gave a presentation on the surface water monitoring response for winter of 2017/18 in the Mark West and Santa Rosa Creek areas post-fire, with of water quality concerns for public health and aquatic life, the effectiveness of the Best Management Practices (BMPs) and reviewed the winter 2018/19 monitoring plans. Mr. Lunde gave a presentation on the water quality monitoring response for winter of 2017/18 in the Napa River and Sonoma Creek areas post-fire, reviewed the monitoring plan, fire monitoring results, and planned future monitoring efforts. Ms. Thomas reviewed the drinking water impacts in the North Bay with a review of the types of sampling and findings. Ms. Moore reviewed the City of Santa Rosa's response with post-fire monitoring with first flush monitoring in the burn scar areas BMP effectiveness study, post-fire debris removal sampling and the upcoming winter sampling and stormwater quality efforts. Mr. Schram gave a presentation on the post-fire surface water quality monitoring program in the Russian River watershed, the sampling program components; surface water sampling protocol; sampling sites; aqueous sample parameters; sediment sampling; ash sampling and characterization, analytical

results and the next steps. Ms. Micheli reviewed Pepperwood's Preserve's infiltration and sedimentation monitoring after the Tubbs Fire, with geomorphic process mapping. Ms. Mahacek gave an overview of the Watershed Task Force and their focus and activities for 2017/18. Mr. Striplen gave an update on post-fire monitoring and planning of the Russian River Regional Monitoring Program (R3MP), and next steps.

10. **Update on the Cyanobacteria Harmful Algal Bloom Monitoring and Response Program.** Rich Fadness, Engineering Geologist, Adaptive Management Unit gave a presentation on Cyanobacteria's acute health effects in humans, dog illnesses and deaths, the causes of Cyanobacteria blooms, the North Coast Region's CyanoHAB Program, monitoring, research results to date, program challenges and next steps.

Comments were taken from:

- Brenda Adelman, Russian River Watershed Protection Committee

11. **Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Work Plan for the North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board.** Matt St. John, Executive Officer, North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board (NCRWQCB) gave a presentation on the purpose of the Work Plan, the organization and content of the Work Plan, and the priority projects for each NCRWQCB Divisions.

Comments were taken from:

- Vivian Helliwell, Pacific Coast Federation of Fishermen's Associations
- Felice Pace, North Group Redwood Chapter, Sierra Club
- Brenda Adelman, Russian River Watershed Protection Committee

12. **Executive Officer's Report.** See written Executive Officer's Report.
13. **Board Member Requests for Future Agenda Items.** Board Member Noren requested a Board Informational/Workshop item on stream flow studies and development of stream flow objectives.
14. **Other Items of Interest.** No other items of interest requested.
15. **Closed session:** The Board did not meet in closed session.
16. **Arrangements for Next Meeting and Adjournment**

8:30 a.m., Wednesday, November 14, 2018 &
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Meeting adjourned at 5:00 pm.

Chairperson _____

Date _____