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Santa Ana Regional Water Quality Control Board

# BOARD MEETING MINUTES

**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2026**

City of Loma Linda  
25541 Barton Road  
Loma Linda, CA 92354

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## **CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Murray called the meeting to order without a quorum on Friday, February 6, 2026 at 9:14 a.m.

Quorum was declared at 10:05 a.m.

Quorum was lost at 10:30 a.m.

## **ITEM 1. INTRODUCTION AND DECLARATION OF QUORUM**

\*\*\*Indicates that attendance was virtual.

## **BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

Chair Kris A. Murray – departed at 10:30 a.m.

Vice Chair John Scandura (Chair-Elect)

Board Member Gloria Alvarado (Vice Chair-Elect) – arrived at 10:05 a.m.

Board Member Sixto “Al” Lopez

## **BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT**

Board Member Letitia Clark

Board Member William “Bill” Ruh

## **STAFF PRESENT**

Eric Lindberg, Executive Officer

Brian Covellone, Assistant Executive Officer

Jessica Baenre, Clerk to the Board

Dan Mefford, Information Technology Specialist I

Don Nguyen, Information Technology Associate

Nick Amini, Branch Manager, Surface Water and Agriculture Branch

Jagroop Khela, Branch Manager, Planning, Implementation and Permitting Branch

Alan Kuoch, Branch Manager, Groundwater Protection Branch

JOHN SCANDURA, CHAIR | ERIC LINDBERG, EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Claudia Tenorio, Senior Environmental Scientist Supervisor  
Lauren Morrison, Environmental Scientist\*\*\*  
Maher Zaher, Water Resource Control Engineer  
Michelle Beckwith, Senior Environmental Scientist Supervisor  
Cindy Li, Senior Engineering Geologist  
Alice Nash, Water Resource Control Engineer  
Jessica Law, Senior Engineering Geologist

**STATE WATER BOARD PRESENT**

Heraclio Pimentel, Regional Board Counsel  
Desta Matsuda, Regional Board Counsel  
Sean Maguire, State Water Board Liaison\*\*\*  
Heather Jidkov, Attorney\*\*\*  
David Lancaster, Attorney\*\*\*

**COURT REPORTER PRESENT**

Marlee Nelson\*\*\*

**PUBLIC ATTENDANCE PRESENT**

Justin Norris\*\*\*  
Travis McGill, ELMT Consulting\*\*\*  
Cymbre Magana, CDFW – OSPR\*\*\*

**ITEM 2. PUBLIC FORUM**

None.

**ITEM 12. 2025 ACCOMPLISHMENTS**

Branch Managers Nick Amini (Surface Water and Agriculture Branch), Alan Kuoch (Groundwater Protection Branch) and Jagroop Khela (Planning, Implementation and Permitting Branch) highlighted accomplishments for the 2025 calendar year.

Chair Murray called for a break from 10:00 a.m.- 10:09 a.m.

Chair Murray announced that Board Member Alvarado arrived and a quorum was established at 10:05 a.m.

**ITEM 4. ELECTION OF SANTA ANA WATER BOARD OFFICERS FOR 2026**

A nomination committee, consisting of Board Member Lopez and Board Member Alvarado met to discuss Chair and Vice Chair nominees for the 2026 calendar year.

**Motion:** Board Member Lopez made a motion to nominate John Scandura as Chair and Gloria Alvarado as Vice Chair.

**Seconded by:** Board Member Murray

**MOTION PASSED**

**Aye:** Board Member Lopez  
Board Member Alvarado

Board Member Scandura  
Board Member Murray  
**Nay:** None  
**Absent:** Board Member Ruh  
Board Member Clark  
**Abstain:** None

**ITEM 5. REGIONAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES OF DECEMBER 12, 2025**

**Motion:** Board Member Murray moved to adopt the December 12, 2025 Board meeting minutes.

**Seconded by:** Board Member Lopez

**MOTION PASSED**

**Aye:** Board Member Lopez  
Board Member Murray  
Chair Scandura

**Nay:** None

**Absent:** Board Member Clark  
Board Member Ruh

**Abstain:** Vice Chair Alvarado

**ITEM 6. CONSIDERATION OF THE CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS ARE LISTED WITH AN ASTERISK**

Item \*7. Waste Discharge Requirements for the Arroyo Vista- Tentative Tract Map 38510 Project, Riverside County; R8-2026-0003

**Motion:** Board Member Murray moved to adopt Order Number R8-2026-0003.

**Seconded by:** Board Member Lopez

**MOTION PASSED**

**Aye:** Board Member Lopez  
Board Member Murray  
Vice Chair Alvarado  
Chair Scandura

**Nay:** None

**Absent:** Board Member Ruh  
Board Member Clark

**Abstain:** None

**ITEM 8. ASSESSING ADMINISTRATIVE CIVIL LIABILITY IN RE DANIEL K. MUSETTI; R8-2025-0081**

**Motion:** Board Member Murray moved to adopt Order Number R8-2025-0081.

**Seconded by:** Board Member Lopez

**MOTION PASSED**

**Aye:** Board Member Lopez  
Board Member Murray  
Chair Scandura

**Nay:** None

**Absent:** Board Member Ruh  
Board Member Clark  
**Abstain:** Vice Chair Alvarado

**ITEM 9. WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS FOR THE GREEN RIVER RANCH BUSINESS PARK INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT; R8-2026-0004**

Claudia Tenorio, Supervisor of Regional Planning Programs, discussed the project location and description, impacts to waters of the United States, compensatory mitigation, changes and updates. Ms. Tenorio recommended that the Board adopt Order Number R8-2026-0004 as presented with changes in the errata sheet.

**Motion:** Board Member Lopez moved to adopt Order Number R8-2026-0004 with the errata sheet.

**Seconded by:** Board Member Murray

**MOTION PASSED**

**Aye:** Board Member Lopez  
Board Member Murray  
Vice Chair Alvarado  
Chair Scandura

**Nay:** None

**Absent:** Board Member Ruh  
Board Member Clark

**Abstain:** None

Regional Board Counsel Heraclio Pimentel announced that Board Member Murray left the Board meeting at 10:30 a.m., resulting in the absence of a quorum.

**ITEM 10. STORMWATER ENFORCEMENT UPDATE**

Michelle Beckwith, Supervisor of the General Stormwater Unit, provided an overview of the Santa Ana Region enforcement process for stormwater violations. This included details on monetary penalties that were assessed and issued during the 2024-2025 and 2025-2026 fiscal years.

**ITEM 3. STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD (STATE WATER BOARD) LIAISON REPORT**

State Water Board Member Sean Maguire provided an update on State Water Board activities. Mr. Maguire discussed the Bay Delta Water Quality Control Plan, water right proceedings, stormwater, water recycling, the 2026 Integrated Report, and vapor intrusion.

**ITEM 11. EL SOBRANTE SET EVENT UPDATE**

Cindy Li, Supervisor of the Land Disposal and DoD Section and Alice Nash, Water Resource Control Engineer provided an update on the subsurface elevated temperature event at the El Sobrante Landfill. The presentation provided an overview of the El Sobrante Landfill, fundamentals of the subsurface elevated temperature events, current status and regulatory responses.

**ITEM 13. RACIAL EQUITY ACTION PLAN PROGRESS**

Dr. Brian Covellone, Assistant Executive Officer, provided an update on the implementation of the Santa Ana Region's Racial Equity Action Plan. Jessica Law, Supervisor of the Underground Storage Tank and Site Cleanup Program, discussed regional racial equity efforts by highlighting an active aerospace manufacturing site.

**ITEM 14. EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT**

Eric Lindberg, Executive Officer, gave a verbal report on the revised definition of waters of the United States and the Chino Basin Program.

**ITEM 15. BOARD MEMBER AND EXECUTIVE OFFICER COMMUNICATION**

Board Members provided comments.

**CLOSED SESSION**

None.

**ADJOURMENT**

Chair Scandura adjourned the meeting at 12:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

**ERIC T. LINDBERG, PG CHG**  
Executive Officer

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