

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
SAN FRANCISCO BAY REGION

January 18, 2012 Board Meeting Minutes

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Item 1 - Roll Call and Introductions

The meeting was called to order on January 18, 2012, at approximately 9:00 am in the Elihu M. Harris Building, First Floor Auditorium, 1515 Clay Street, Oakland.

Board members present: Shalom Eliahu, James McGrath, Rameshwar Singh, Vice-Chair Terry Young, and Chair John Muller.

Board members absent: None. Steve Moore arrived at 9:11 a.m.

Item 2 - Election of Chair and Vice-Chair

Vice-Chair Young entertained nominations for Chair. Vice-Chair Young nominated John Muller. No other nominations were put forward.

Ayes: Eliahu, McGrath, Singh, Young, Muller.

Nos: None

Chair Muller entertained nominations for Vice-Chair. Board Member McGrath nominated Vice-Chair Young for Vice-Chair.

Ayes: Eliahu, McGrath, Singh, Young, Muller, Moore.

Nos: None

Item 3 – Public Forum

No one requested to speak.

Item 4 – Minutes of the February 9, 2011 Board Meeting

Vice-Chair Terry Young moved for adoption of the February 9, 2011 Board Meeting minutes. Board Member Singh seconded the motion. The Board voted unanimously to adopt the minutes.

Item 5 – Chairman's, Board Members' and Executive Officer's Reports

Chair Muller reported on the monthly Chairs' Meeting. Board Member McGrath asked about metal recyclers in the Bay Area and water quality issues. Vice-Chair Young reported that she had lunch with Board Member McGrath and John Coleman of the Bay Planning Coalition.

Mr. Wolfe gave an overview of his written report for this month. He also discussed staff's recent investigation into the SIMS metal recycling facility in Redwood City and the recent enforcement action related to the red balloon caper.

Item 6 – Consideration of Uncontested Items

6A - City of Pacifica, Calera Creek Water Recycling Plant and Associated Collection System, Pacifica, San Mateo County – Reissuance of NPDES Permit

6B - Hewlett Packard Company and Stanford University, for the property located at 3500 Deer Creek Road, Palo Alto, Santa Clara County – Revision of Site Cleanup Requirements

Mr. Wolfe recommended adoption of items 6A and 6B and noted that 6C did not require action.

Board Member McGrath moved for adoption of both items; Board Member Singh seconded the motion.

Ayes: Eliahu, McGrath, Singh, Young, Muller, Moore.

Nos: None

Item 7 - East Bay Dischargers Authority (EBDA), EBDA Common Outfall, San Leandro; City of Hayward, Hayward Water Pollution Control Facility and Associated Collection System, Hayward; City of San Leandro, San Leandro Water Pollution Control Plant and Associated Collection System, San Leandro; Oro Loma Sanitary District and Castro Valley Sanitary District, Water Pollution Control Plant and Associated Collection System, San Lorenzo; Union Sanitary District, Raymond A. Boege Alvarado Wastewater Treatment Plant and Associated Collection System, Union City; Livermore-Amador Valley Water Management Agency; Alameda County – Reissuance of NPDES Permit

Item 8 - Dublin San Ramon Services District (DSRSD), Livermore-Amador Valley Water Management Agency, East Bay Dischargers Authority, DSRSD Wastewater Treatment Plant and Associated Collection System, Dublin, Alameda County – Reissuance of NPDES Permit

Item 9 - City of Livermore, Livermore-Amador Valley Water Management Agency, East Bay Dischargers Authority, City of Livermore Water Reclamation Plant and Associated Collection System, Livermore, Alameda County – Reissuance of NPDES Permit

Mr. Wolfe recommended that, since the facilities associated with all three of the permits are interconnected, Board staff Robert Schlipf make a presentation covering all three permits. Mr. Schlipf noted that the three permits cover six wastewater treatment plants. Four of the treatment plants discharge through EBDA's deep water outfall. Mr. Schlipf noted that while the permits for Livermore and DSRSD are uncontested, EBDA was contesting because of the requirement that its four member treatment plants be held individually to secondary treatment standards. Mr. Schlipf explained how staff's proposal is consistent with the federal Clean Water Act and noted that it is supported by U.S. EPA and BayKeeper.

Board staff Lila Tang responded to a question from Board Member Moore noting that other facilities are regulated in a similar fashion. Vice-Chair Young asked legal counsel to clarify whether in their judgment the plants in question were individual plants as defined under the Clean Water Act. Legal counsel Yuri Won responded yes. The Board members further discussed the limits and data associated with total suspended solids and biochemical oxygen demand.

Mike Connor, General Manager of EBDA, presented history on the various agencies named and past permits and presented data illustrating total suspended solids concentration trends. The Board further deliberated on the priority pollutant sampling requirements and discharger accountability issues.

Mr. Wolfe recommended adoption of Item 7.

Mr. Moore moved for adoption, Vice-Chair Young seconded the motion.

Ayes: Eliahu, McGrath, Singh, Young, Muller, Moore.

Nos: None

Mr. Wolfe recommended adoption of Item 8.

Dr. Singh moved for adoption, Mr. Moore seconded the motion.

Ayes: Eliahu, McGrath, Singh, Young, Muller, Moore.

Nos: None

Mr. Wolfe recommended adoption of Item 9.

Mr. Moore moved for adoption, Dr. Singh seconded the motion.

Ayes: Eliahu, McGrath, Singh, Young, Muller, Moore.

Nos: None

Item 10 - Supplemental Environmental Projects from Administrative Civil Liabilities – Overview of Current and Completed Projects, Applicable Policies and Criteria, and How to Get on a Candidate Projects List

Athena Honore, San Francisco Estuary Partnership, began her presentation by noting that she provides oversight and assistance with supplemental environmental projects, referred to as SEPs, for the Board. During her presentation she summarized the State Board's policy on SEPs, her role in managing the program, and recent projects.

Item 15 - Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 11:15 am.