

**STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
APRIL 23, 2013**

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CALL TO ORDER

Chair Felicia Marcus called the meeting to order on April 23, 2013 at 9:02 a.m. in the Coastal Hearing Room at the California Environmental Protection Agency Headquarters, 1001 I Street, 2nd Floor, Sacramento, California.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Chair Felicia Marcus; Member Tam M. Doduc; Member Dorene D'Adamo

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

Vice Chair Frances Spivy-Weber; Member Steven Moore

STAFF PRESENT

Tom Howard, Executive Director	Jonathan Bishop, Chief Deputy Director
Michael Lauffer, Chief Counsel	Caren Trgovcich, Chief Deputy Director
Dana Heinrich, Office of Chief Counsel	Jeanine Townsend, Clerk to the Board
Jim Kassel, Division of Water Rights	Paul Hann, Division of Water Quality
Katy Lee, Division of Water Rights	Vicky Whitney, Division of Water Quality
Phil Crader, Division of Water Rights	Rik Rasmussen, Division of Water Quality
Liz Haven, Division of Financial Assistance	Shahla Farahnak, Division of Water Quality
Craig Wilson, Office of the Delta Watermaster	

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

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 April 9, 2013 Board Meeting minutes.

Motion: Member Doduc moved to adopt the proposed minutes.

Seconded by: Member D'Adamo

MOTION CARRIED: ([April 9, 2013](#))

Aye: Chair Felicia Marcus
Member Doduc
Member D'Adamo

Nay: None

Absent: Vice Chair Spivy-Weber
Member Moore

Abstain:

2. Board Member Report.

None

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

3. Informational Report on [Gates and Barriers in the Delta](#).

No Action Taken

❖ *Delta Watermaster Craig Wilson made the [presentation](#) to the Board.*

4. [Mercury Programs Informational Updates](#): Status of adopted Mercury Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLS) by the San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board and Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board, and the developing framework for a statewide Mercury Program for Inland Surface Waters, Enclosed Bays, and Estuaries which include a Control Program for Mercury Impaired Reservoirs and Methylmercury Fish Tissue Objectives with Associated Implementation.

No Action Taken

❖ *Ms. Janis Cooke from the Central Valley Regional Water Board, Carrie Austin, from the San Francisco Bay Regional Water Board, Amanda Palumbo with the Division of Water Quality made the [presentation](#) to the Board*

Commenters

Andria Ventura, Clean Water Action

Craig Johns, Partnership for Sound Science in Environmental Policy

Izzy Martin, The Sierra Fund

Carol DiGiorgio, Department of Water Resources

5. [Executive Director's Report](#).

No Action Taken

PUBLIC HEARING

DIVISION OF WATER RIGHTS

6. The State Water Board will hold a Public Hearing for the receipt of oral comments on the adequacy of the substantive revisions to the [2008 Substitute Environmental Document prepared for the North Coast Instream Flow Policy](#). (*Written comments were due on April 8, 2013 by 12 noon.*) ([Staff Presentation](#))

No Action Taken

Commenters

Danny Merkley California Farm Bureau

Chandra Ferrari, Trout Unlimited

ADJOURNMENT

The Board adjourned at 11:35 a.m.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION!!

Unless otherwise specified, submittal of written comments must be received by 12:00 p.m. on April 16, 2013, and will not be accepted after that time.

Submittal of **electronic Powerpoint presentations** must be received by 12:00 p.m. on April 16, 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, "**4/23/13 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.

Agenda and items will be available electronically at: http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/board_info/calendar/index.shtml

* 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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