

**STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD  
BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
OCTOBER 8, 2013**

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**CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Felicia Marcus called the meeting to order on October 8, 2013 at 9:00 a.m. at the California Environmental Protection Agency Headquarters, 1001 I Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Sacramento, California.

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

Chair Felicia Marcus; Vice Chair Frances Spivy-Weber; Member Tam M. Doduc; Member Steven Moore; Member Dorene D'Adamo

**STAFF PRESENT**

Tom Howard, Executive Director	Caren Trgovcich, Chief Deputy Director
Michael Lauffer, Chief Counsel	Jonathan Bishop, Chief Deputy Director
Emel Wadhvani, Office of Chief Counsel	Jeanine Townsend, Clerk to the Board
Erin Mahaney, Office of Chief Counsel	Courtney Davis, Executive Office
Andy Sawyer, Office of Chief Counsel	Darrin Polhemus, Division of Administrative Services
Bethany Pane, Office of Chief Counsel	David Ceccarelli, Division of Administrative Services
James Herink, Office of Chief Counsel	Scott Couch, Division of Water Quality
Anne Hartridge, Office of Chief Counsel	Greg Gearhart, Division of Water Quality
Daniel Newton, Division of Financial Assistance	Annalisa Kihara, Division of Water Quality
James Garcia, Division of Financial Assistance	Victoria Whitney, Division of Water Quality
Jule Rizzardo, Division of Financial Assistance	Johnny Gonzales, Division of Water Quality
Leslie Laudon, Division of Financial Assistance	Phil Crader, Division of Water Quality
Jim Maughn, Division of Financial Assistance	Shahla Farahnak, Division of Water Quality
Eric Oppenheimer, Office of Research, Policy & Performance	Craig Wilson, Office of the Delta Watermaster
Rafael Maestu, Office of Research, Policy & Performance	Barbara Evoy, Division of Water Rights
George Kostyrko, Office of Public Affairs	Les Grober, Division of Water Rights

**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***

**PRESENTATION OF SUSTAINED SUPERIOR ACCOMPLISHMENT AWARD**

- ***Craig Wilson with the Office of the Delta Watermaster presented the Sustained Superior Accomplishment Award to Dramey Saechao.***
- ***Barbara Evoy with the Division of Water Quality presented the Sustained Superior Accomplishment Award to Mark Goudy & Lucas Sharkey.***

**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 September 24, 2013, Board Meeting minutes.

**Motion:** Member Doduc moved to adopt the proposed minutes.

**Seconded by:** Vice Chair Spivy-Weber

**MOTION CARRIED:** ([September 24, 2013](#))

**Aye:** Chair Marcus  
Vice Chair Spivy-Weber  
Member Doduc  
Member Moore  
Member D'Adamo

**Nay:** None

**Absent:** None

**Abstain:** None

2. Board Member Report.

### **Vice Chair Spivy-Weber:**

- *Los Angeles Water Board has been taking care in determining who needs to be part of stakeholder groups and the stakeholder process.*
- *Two weeks ago the Los Angeles Water Board held a training session for staff on outreach to the public. They found there was a need to document and to report on the water boards' efforts and successes. In addition, the water boards need to do a better job communicating those successes to the publics.*
- *The Los Angeles Water Board thanked Kevin Graves for taking over Low-Threat Closures in the Los Angeles Region.*

### **Board Member D'Adamo:**

- *Two weeks ago she attended the Delta Conservancy's Delta Dialogues. Two months ago Les Grober appeared before this group and gave a presentation on the proposed update to the Bay Delta Water Quality Control Plan. DeeDee is now the State Water Board's representative on the Delta Dialogues.*
- *She attended the Mono Lake Settlement Agreement celebration with Board Member Moore. Cal/EPA's Undersecretary Gordon Burns joined as well.*

### **Board Member Moore:**

- *Spoke on collaboration and cooperation at East Bay Municipal Utilities District's Annual Barbeque Meeting.*
- *Spoke at the second annual Cal Desal Conference in San Diego.*

### **Board Member Doduc:**

- *Attended Central Valley Water Board's workshop in Stockton on the Irrigated Ag order for San Joaquin and the Delta.*
- *Attended Central Valley Water Board's meeting in Rancho Cordova where they considered an item regarding updates to the Delta Regional Monitoring Program.*

**Chair Marcus:**

- **Spoke at San Gabriel Water Forum.**
- **While working on the Governor's effort to reorganize the drinking water program, she has been visiting water treatment plants to talk to people about drinking water.**
- **She and Board Member Doduc are going to Los Angeles for an environmental justice meeting on groundwater contamination to talk about ways to clean up groundwater contamination in the area.**

**UNCONTESTED ITEM\* (Item 3)**

- \*3 Consideration of a proposed Resolution [approving additional funds to the California Department of Parks and Recreation's Steelhead and Stream Restoration Project on Arroyo Sequit, Phase II, Implementation.](#)

**Motion:** Vice Chair Spivy-Weber moved to adopt the proposed Resolution.

**Seconded by:** Member Doduc

**MOTION CARRIED:** ([Resolution No. 2013-0031](#))

**Aye:** Chair Marcus  
Vice Chair Spivy-Weber  
Member Doduc  
Member Moore  
Member D'Adamo

**Nay:** None

**Absent:** None

**Abstain:** None

**DIVISION OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES**

4. Consideration of a proposed Resolution [adopting emergency regulations amending Water Rights fee schedules in Title 23, Division 3, Chapter 5, Sections 1062, 1064, 1066 and 1068 of the California Code of Regulations.](#)

- [Comment Letters](#)

**Motion:** Vice Chair Spivy-Weber moved to adopt the proposed Resolution.

**Seconded by:** Member Moore

**MOTION CARRIED:** ([Resolution No. 2013-0032](#))

**Aye:** Chair Marcus  
Vice Chair Spivy-Weber  
Member Doduc  
Member Moore  
Member D'Adamo

**Nay:** None

**Absent:** None

**Abstain:** None

**Commenters**

*Philip Williams, Westlands Water District & SLDM Water Authority*

## **DIVISION OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE**

5. Consideration of a proposed Resolution to [add the San Luis Obispo County Los Osos Wastewater Project to the Water Recycling Funding Program's \(WRFP\) Construction Grant Competitive Project List and to authorize the WRFT to provide a Preliminary Funding Commitment \(PFC\) from the Construction Grant Program; WRFP Project No. 3314-030.](#)

- [Comment Letters](#)

**Motion:** Member D'Adamo moved to adopt the proposed Resolution.

**Seconded by:** Member Doduc

**MOTION CARRIED:** ([Resolution No. 2013-0033](#))

**Aye:** Chair Marcus  
Vice Chair Spivy-Weber  
Member Doduc  
Member Moore  
Member D'Adamo

**Nay:** None

**Absent:** None

**Abstain:** None

### **Commenters**

*Paavo Ogren, County of San Luis Obispo*

## **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

6. [High Speed Train Project and Permitting](#) Informational Update.
- *Mark McLoughlin with the California High Speed Rail Authority along with Annalisa Kihara and Greg Gearhart with the Division of Water Quality made the [presentation](#) to the Board.*
7. Informational Report on [California's Area of Origin Laws](#)
- *Craig Wilson with the Office of the Delta Watermaster made the [presentation](#) to the Board.*

### **Commenters**

*Philip Williams, Westlands Water District & SLDM Water Authority*

**Item 8 will not be heard before 11:30 a.m.**

8. [Draft Memorandum of Understanding between the State Water Resources Control Board and the California Department of Food and Agriculture.](#)
- *Victoria Whitney, Johnny Gonzales, & Shala Farahnak with the Division of Water Quality made the presentation to the Board. Also present for this item was Karen Ross, Secretary and Sandy Schubert, Undersecretary, both from the California Department of Food and Agriculture.*

**PUBLIC WORKSHOP**  
**Item 9 will not be heard before 1:00 p.m.**

9. The State Water Board will hold a Public Workshop regarding the [receiving water limitations provisions in the Los Angeles Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System Permit \(Order No. R4-2012-0175\) \(SWRCB/OCC Files A-2236\(a\)-\(kk\)\)](#). ([Written comments](#) were due on August 15, 2013 by 12 noon.)

**No Action Taken**

**Commenters**

Panel 1

Sam Unger, Los Angeles Regional Water Board ([Presentation](#))

Renee Purdy, Los Angeles Regional Water Board

Jennifer Fordyce, Los Angeles Regional Water Board

Deb Smith, Los Angeles Regional Water Board

Maria Mehranian, Los Angeles Regional Water Board

Panel 2

Laurie Lile, City of Monrovia/Rio Hondo San Gabriel EWMP

Panel 3

Bruce Barrows, Los Angeles County Division of the League of California Cities

Rene Bobadilla, Los Angeles County Division of the League of California Cities

Larry Forester, Los Angeles County Division of the League of California Cities

Panel 4

Ray Tahir, Cities of South El Monte, Carson, Compton, Gardena, Lomita, Irwindale, Lawndale, West Covina, and San Fernando ([Presentation](#))

Panel 5

Shawn Hagerty, Cities of Arcadia, Covina, Claremont, Chula Vista, National City, Santee, Lake Forest, Aliso Viejo, Santa Maria, Roseville, Avalon, San Diego County Regional Airport Authority and the Statewide Stormwater Coalition

Panel 6

Richard Montevideo, Cities of Duarte, Huntington Park, and Dana Point ([Presentation](#))

Panel 7

Noah Garrison, Natural Resources Defense Council

Kirsten James, Heal the Bay ([Presentation](#))

Daniel Cooper, Los Angeles Water Keeper

Liz Crosson, Los Angeles Water Keeper

Panel 8

Donna Chen, City of Los Angeles ([Presentation](#))

Panel 9

Tracy Egoscue, County of Los Angeles ([Presentation](#))

Gary Hildebrand, Los Angeles County Flood Control District

Panel 10

Richard Boon, California Stormwater Quality Association ([Presentation](#))

Panel 11

Jason Uhley, Riverside County Flood Control & Water Conservation District ([Presentation](#))

Mary Anne Skorpanich, Orange County

Panel 12

Dr. Susan Paulsen, on behalf of California Council on Environmental and Economic Balance ([Presentation](#))

Individuals

Bobbie Larsen, James O'Day, County of San Diego

Kris McFadden, City of San Diego

Heather Stroud, City of San Diego

Gary Grimm, Alameda Countrywide Clean Water Program

Melissa Thorme, Cities of Tracy and Atascadero and Port of Stockton & others

Sara Aminzadeh, California Coastkeeper Alliance

**ADJOURNMENT**

The Board adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION!!**

Unless otherwise specified, submittal of written comments must be received by 12:00 p.m. on October 3, 2013, and will not be accepted after that time.

Submittal of **electronic Powerpoint presentations** must be received by 12:00 p.m. on October 3, 2013 and will not be accepted after that time.

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