

Minutes of Meeting

9:00 a.m., Thursday, March 24, 2011
Trinity PUD Community Room
26 Ponderosa Lane
Weaverville, CA 96093

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i. Pledge of Allegiance

Board Member Heidi Harris led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ii. Roll Call and Introductions

Board Members present: Geoffrey Hales, David Noren, William Massey, Heidi Harris, and John Corbett

Regional Water Board staff present: Catherine Kuhlman, Luis Rivera, Matt St. John, Samantha Olson, David Rice, Andrew Baker, Drew Bayless, Jean Lockett, Maggie Robinson.

iii. Board Member Ex Parte Communication Disclosure

William Massey reported that he had met with elected officials of the County, State and Federal levels in the capacity of not only a Board Member, but also as a member of local Community Groups regarding West County Sewers.

Vice Chair Noren reported that he and Catherine Kuhlman, Executive Officer met with Lex McCorvey, Executive Director of the Sonoma County Farm Bureau regarding the Dairy Permit.

iv. State Board Liaison's, and Board Chair's Reports

Ms. Doduc updated Board on the focus of the State Board Staff:

1. Frost protection regulations: Draft and public notice went out March 23rd, 2011. A public hearing is scheduled for June, 2011 and aiming for adoption before March, 2012.
2. On-site Septic regulations: Staff revised into a proposed policy. Policy will be broken down into 3 tiers:
 - Low risk sites
 - Greater risk sites
 - Certain distance from an impacted waterbody.

Draft policy and scoping documents to be released by April 4th, 2011. Scoping meetings are scheduled for May, 2011. Release of a revised policy projected by September, 2011 and more public hearing are to be scheduled in November, 2011. State Board to consider this policy in March 2012.

vi. Public Forum

Comments were taken from:

- Ann Maurice- Ad Hoc Committee for Clean Water
- Leon Beck- Friends of Americano Creek

1. Approval of Meeting Minutes: January 27, 2011

Motion: William Massey moved to adopt the October 2010 Minutes. John Corbett seconded the motion passed.

Uncontested Items

2. Consideration of Resolution No. R1-2011-0041, nominating eight sites for inclusion in the State Water Board's Fiscal Year 2011/2012 **Underground Storage Tank Cleanup Fund**, Emergency, Abandoned, Recalcitrant (EAR) Account.

Geoffrey Hales, Chair entertained a motion to approve Item No. 2.

Motion: William Massey so moved the motion to approve Item No. 2.
John Corbett seconded the motion.
Motion passed unanimously.

Public Hearings

3. Public Hearing to consider a **Limited Term Amendment to NTMP Provisions of Order No. R1-2009-0038**, Categorical Waiver of Waste Discharge Requirements for Discharges Related to Timber Harvest Activities on Non-Federal Lands in the North Coast Region.

Comments were taken from:

- Bill Keye, California Licensed Foresters Association
- Lisa Weger, Public
- John W. Williams, Forest Landowners of California
- Matt Greene, RPF-Landowners
- Margaret Tauzer, Tauzer Family Limited Partnership
- Steve Vanderhorst, Public
- Peter Bradford, Bradford Ranch
- Randy Jacobszoon, Association of Consulting Foresters
- Craig Blencowe, Public
- Tom Walz, SPI
- Jason Poburko, CLFA, RPF'S
- Charles L. Ciancio, Public
- Andy Westfall, Landowner/Public
- Bill Kleiner, NTMP Owners
- George Hollister, Hollister Ranch
- George Belden, Consulting Forester
- Nan Deniston, Parkee Ten Mile Ranch
- Jack L. Rice, CFBF/Farm Bureau
- Peter Bussman, Public

Motion: William Massey so moved the motion to approve Item No. 3.
Heidi Harris seconded the motion.
Motion passed unanimously

4. Item 4 is rescheduled to be heard at the June 23, 2011 Board Meeting.

Information Items

5. **Update on Development of Waiver for County Road Maintenance Activities:**

An introduction was given by Regional Board Staff, Andrew Baker, Non Point Source Timber Harvest Division and an update and slide presentation was given by Mark Lancaster, Program Director of the Five Counties Salmonid Conservation Program, Sandra Perez, Program Manager, Five Counties Salmonid Conservation Program and David Kolvac, Fisheries Biologist.

6. **Trinity River Restoration Update:** Introductions were given by Jennifer Faler, Acting EO for the Trinity Restoration Program. She introduced Brandt Gutermuth, Environmental Specialist with the Trinity Restoration Program who gave an update and slide presentation.

7. **Executive Officer's Report:**

Ms. Kuhlman had no further points to cover outside the written EO's report.

8. **Board Member Requests for Future Agenda Items:**

Board Member John Corbett requested information on an issue that was discussed at the January 27, 2011 Board Meeting during Public Forum. Ms. Kuhlman responded to his question.

9. **Other Items of Interest:**

No items to discuss

10. **Closed Session:**

There were no reports from closed session.

There being no further business to come before the Regional Water Board, the meeting adjourned at 4:00p.m. The next Regional Water Board Meeting is scheduled for May 5, 2011, at the Wharfinger Building, #1 Marina Way, Eureka, CA 95501

Chairperson_____

Date_____