

Regional Water Quality Control Board
North Coast Region

Minutes of Meeting

8:30 a.m., Thursday, June 10, 2010
Regional Water Quality Control Board
David C. Joseph Hearing Room
5550 Skylane Blvd., Ste A
Santa Rosa, CA 95403

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i. Pledge of Allegiance

Vice-Chairman David Noren led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ii. Roll Call and Introductions:

Board Members present: Geoffrey Hales, David Noren, William Massey, Heidi Harris, and Mike Dunker

Board Members absent: John Corbett and Carol Dean

Regional Water Board staff present: Catherine Kuhlman, Luis Rivera, Samantha Olson, Kim Niemeyer, David Leland, Robert Klamt, John Short, Fred Blatt, Mark Neely, Lisa Bernard, Cathy Goodwin, Ben Zabinsky, Greg Nash, Drew Bayless, Patti Corsie, and Jean Lockett

iii. Resolution in appreciation of Susan Warner

Board Member Massey read the Resolution in Appreciation of Susan Warner. Ms. Warner thanked the board and its staff, and commented on the privilege to work for the Water Board, and the benefit for all citizens who are able to participate in the task of protecting water quality.

iv. Board Member Ex Parte Communication Disclosure

Board member William Massey reported that he had been in communication with county supervisors, federal legislators, and local officials regarding west county small sewers

v. State Board Liaison's, and Board Chair's Reports:

Tam Doduc, State Board Liaison, addressed the Board by congratulating them on the Klamath TMDL adoption.

Ms. Doduc reported that:

- State board adopted an in-stream flow policy that covers the counties of Sonoma, Marin, and parts of Napa, Humboldt and Mendocino.
- A Panel of Scientists, hired by the State Board to look at the emerging contaminants of concern in recycled water, has submitted their Draft Report . The Draft is now out for public comment.
- The State Board submitted proposals through the governors budget process, proposing fund shifts from general fund to fees in several areas. Three of the four proposals were

approved, National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System, Irrigated lands, and water rights, with basin planning still under consideration.

Catherine Kuhlman reported that Regional Board staff prepared a written request to Mendocino CSD for a technical report. The letter is due to be mailed the following week of the board meeting.

vi. Public Forum:

Comments were taken from:

Brenda Adelman, public
Tomas Dertner, public

1. Approval of Meeting Minutes: June 2010

Motion: William Massey moved to accept the March and April 2010 Minutes. Mike Dunker seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Uncontested Items

2. Public Hearing on Order No. R1-2010-0044, to consider adoption of Waste Discharge Requirements for Discharges Related to Road Management and Maintenance Activities conducted pursuant to the **Green Diamond Resource Company** Aquatic Habitat Conservation Plan in the North Coast Region

This item was placed on the Public Hearing calendar.

3. Public Hearing on Order No. R1-2010-0040, to consider whether to affirm, reject, or modify Administrative Civil Liability Order for Violations of Waste Discharge Requirements Order No. R1-2008-0002 in the matter of **University of California, Davis Bodega Marine Laboratory**, WDID No. 1B84035OSON

4. Public Hearing on Order No. R1-2010-0020, to consider adoption of Waste Discharge Requirements for **Mendocino County Water Works District No. 2 Anchor Bay Wastewater Treatment Facility**, NPDES No. CA0024040, WDID NO. 1B83118OMEN

4 a. *(Item 8 from Public Hearing section)* Public Hearing on Order No. R1-2010-0003, to consider Waste Discharge Requirements for the **College of the Redwoods Municipal Wastewater Treatment Facility**, NPDES No. CA0006700, WDID No. 1B80121OHUM

Motion: William Massey moved to adopt items 3, 4, and 4a. on the uncontested Items calendar. Mike Dunker seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Public Hearings

2 a. Public Hearing on Order No. R1-2010-0044, to consider adoption of Waste Discharge Requirements for Discharges Related to Road Management and Maintenance Activities conducted pursuant to the **Green Diamond Resource Company** Aquatic Habitat Conservation Plan in the North Coast Region

This item was moved from the Uncontested calendar.

Chairman Hales administered the Oath to those who expected to testify in this item.

Kaete King, Regional Water Board staff, gave the presentation.

Comments were taken from:

Gary Rynearson, Green Diamond Resource Company
Felice Pace, Environmental Protection Information Center

Motion: William Massey moved to adopt Order No. R1-2010-0044. David Noren seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

- 5. Public Hearing on Order No. R1-2010-0034, to consider Waste Discharge Requirements and Master Reclamation Permit for the **City of Healdsburg Wastewater Treatment Reclamation and Disposal Facility**, NPDES No. CA0025135, WDID No. 1B820460SON
- 6. Public Hearing on Order No. R1-2010-0035, to consider a proposed Cease and Desist Order for the **City of Healdsburg Wastewater Treatment Reclamation and Disposal Facility**, NPDES No. CA0025135, WDID NO. 1B820460SON

Chairman Hales administered the Oath to those who expected to testify in this item.

Cathy Goodwin, Regional Water Board staff, gave the presentation.

Comments were taken from:

Mike Kirn, Public Works Director, City of Healdsburg
Jim Flugum, Deputy Public Works Director with City of Healdsburg
Gregory Newmark, counsel for City of Healdsburg with Meyers Nave
Dennis Hill, Westside Association to Save Agriculture
Fred Corson, Clean Water Coalition of Northern Sonoma County
David Smith, Water Reuse Association
Brenda Adelman, Russian River Water Protection Council

Items 5 and 6 were combined as one presentation, but received two separate votes.

Item 5 Motion: David Noren moved to defer Item 5 to the July board meeting for staff to work with the discharger on Section G-5 of the order. William Massey seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Item 6 Motion: William Massey moved to adopt Order No. R1-2010-0035. Mike Dunker seconded the motion.

Roll call vote:

Heidi Harris	Yes
William Massey	Yes
Mike Dunker	Yes
David Noren	Yes
Geoffrey Hales	Yes

Motion carried.

7. Public Hearing on Order No. R1-2010-0029, to consider Waiver of Waste Discharge Requirements for Nonpoint Source Discharges Related to Certain Federal Land Management Activities on **U.S. Forest Service** Lands in the North Coast Region

Chairman Hales administered the Oath to those who expected to testify in this item.

Robert Klamt, Regional Water Board staff, gave the presentation.

Comments were taken from:

Crystal Bowman, Quartz Valley Indian Reservation
Elisa Noble, CA Farm Bureau
Felice Pace, EPIC and KFA
Barry Hill, US Forest Service

Motion: David Noren moved to adopt Order No. 2010-0029. William Massey seconded the motion with all of the added amendments. Motion passed unanimously.

8. Public Hearing on Order No. R1-2010-0003, to consider Waste Discharge Requirements for the **College of the Redwoods Municipal Wastewater Treatment Facility**, NPDES No. CA0006700, WDID No. 1B80121OHUM

This item moved to uncontested section. See item 4a.

9. Public Hearing on Order No. R1-2010-0033, to consider adoption of Waste Discharge Requirements for **Freshwater Tissue Company, Samoa Pulp Mill**, NPDES No. CA0005894, WDID No. 1B77005OHUM

This item was moved to the July 2010 Agenda.

10. Public Hearing on Order No. R1-2010-0039 to consider adoption of Cease and Desist Order for waste discharge requirements for **Freshwater Tissue Company, Samoa Pulp Mill**, NPDES No. CA0005894, WDID No. 1B77005OHUM

This items was moved to the July 2010 Agenda.

11. Public Hearing on Order No. R1-2010-0017, to consider proposed Waste Discharge Requirements for **City of Willits Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant**, NPDES No. CA0023060, WDID No. 1B80078OMEN

Chairman Hales administered the Oath to those who expected to testify in this item.

Lisa Bernard, Regional Water Board staff, gave the presentation.

Comments were taken from:

Lisa Stromme, SHN Engineering
Tom Manning, City Engineer, City of Willits

Motion: William Massey moved to defer item 11 to the July 2010 board meeting. David Noren seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Information Items

12. Draft Work Plan for Development of Klamath Basin Conditional Waiver for Agriculture

Ben Zabinsky, Regional Water Board staff, gave the presentation to the Board.

Mr. Zabinsky discussed:

- Scope of the task,
- Input from Klamath TMDL comments on the proposed waiver,
- Workplan timeline, and
- The next steps for Regional Water Board staff.

Comments were taken from:

Felice Pace, public

Susan Corum, Karuk Tribe

13. Executive Officer's Report

Catherine Kuhlman reported that:

- Staff was able to arrange for a Beach Monitoring Program for Russian River by using the Regional Water Board's lab funds, and a supplement from Sonoma County Water.
- Regional staff is working to get the board lab up and running for bacteria sampling. Sonoma County Water Agency, Sonoma County Environmental Health, and the Regional Water Board are coordinating to promptly address this task..
- A letter was sent to Sonoma County Water and the State Board regarding the low flow urgency order for Russian River and the monitoring proposal for water quality that is contained in the draft order. Staff reviewed the proposal and submitted concerns in writing to the Sonoma County Water Agency.

14. Board Member Requests for Future Agenda Items

There were no items requested.

15. Other Items of Interest

There were not items of interest from board members.

Closed Session

16. There were not items reported from closed session.

There being no further business to come before the Regional Water Board, the meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m. The next Regional Water Board Meeting is scheduled for July 15, 2010, in Santa Rosa, California.

Chairperson _____

Date: _____