State of California
Regional Water Quality Control Board
North Coast Region

Minutes of Meeting
9:00 A.M., Tuesday, June 16, 2026
Regional Water Quality Control Board
5550 Skylane Blvd., Suite A
Santa Rosa, CA 95403

Tuesday, June 16, 2026

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i. **Pledge of Allegiance:** Chair Hart led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ii. **Roll Call and Introductions:**

Board Members present:	Alex Hart, Jake Mackenzie, Hector Bedolla, Gregory Giusti, Dale Romanini, Molli Myers
Regional Water Board staff present:	Valerie Quinto, Nathan Jacobsen Bayley Toft- Dupuy, Claudia Villacorta, Emma Cianfichi, Katharine Carter, Kelsey Cody, Matt Herman, Justin McSmith, Terri Cia

iii. **Board Member Reports:** No Board Member Report was made.

iv. **Board Chair's Report:** No Chair's report was made.

v. **State Board Liaison's and Executive Officer's Reports:** No State Board Liaison report was made. Valerie Quinto reported briefly on her attendance at the 2026 Water Quality Coordinating Committee, along with Chair Hart, Vice Chair Mackenzie, and Board Member Myers.

vi. **Public Forum:** Comments were received from the following members of the public:

- Margaret Sargent

Specific comments can be reviewed on Cal-Span's Prior Board Meeting Video recordings (http://cal-span.org/).

1. Approval of Meeting Minutes: May

Motion: Vice Chair Mackenzie moved to adopt the May 7-8, 2026 Board Meeting minutes; Board Member Bedolla seconded the motion; Chair Hart initiated a roll-call vote:

Bedolla	aye
Guisti	aye
Romanini	aye
Myers	aye
Mackenzie	aye
Hart	aye

Motion passed unanimously

2. 2027 Board Meeting Schedule *(Valerie Quinto)*

Motion: Board Member Bedolla moved to adopt 2027 Board Meeting Schedule; Vice Chair Mackenzie seconded the motion; Chair Hart initiated a roll-call vote:

Bedolla	aye
Guisti	aye
Romanini	aye
Myers	aye
Mackenzie	aye
Hart	aye

Motion passed unanimously

3. Resolution No. R1-2026-0030 Expressing Appreciation to Brenda Adelman *(Valerie Quinto)*

Chair Hart presented Resolution No. R1-2026-0030 expressing appreciation to Brenda Adelman. Board Members praised Brenda's efforts and Executive Officer Valerie Quinto expressed staff's appreciation for her work over the years. Brenda made remarks regarding her career in advocacy and work with the North Coast Water Board.

Comments were received from the following members of the public:

- David Noren

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Motion: Board Member Bedolla moved to adopt Resolution No. R1-2026-0030; Vice Chair Mackenzie seconded the motion; Chair Hart initiated a roll-call vote:

Bedolla	aye
Guisti	aye
Romanini	aye
Myers	aye
Mackenzie	aye
Hart	aye

Motion passed unanimously

Uncontested Items

Uncontested items may be removed at the request of any Board member or person. If an item is removed from the uncontested calendar for discussion, it will only be voted on at this meeting if no significant changes are made to the agenda item. Otherwise, the item will be continued to a subsequent board meeting to allow input from interested persons.

4. Public Hearing on Order No. R1-2026-0019 to consider adoption of proposed National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit and Waste Discharge Requirements for DG Fairhaven Power, LLC, Fairhaven Power Facility *(Justin McSmith)*

5. Public Hearing on Order No. R1-2026-0013 to consider adoption of proposed Waste Discharge Requirements for County of Sonoma Guerneville Solid Waste Disposal Site *(Terri Cia)*

Motion: Vice Chair Mackenzie moved to adopt on Order No. R1-2026-0019 and Order No. R1-2026-0013. Board member Romanini seconded the motion; After board discussion, Chair Hart initiated a roll-call vote:

Bedolla	aye
Guisti	aye
Romanini	aye
Myers	aye
Mackenzie	aye
Hart	aye

Motion passed unanimously

Information Items

6. Update from Russian River Watershed Association *(Maureen Mulheren & Andy Rodgers, Russian River Watershed Association)*

Executive Director Andy Rodgers and Board Chair Maureen Mulheren of the Russian River Watershed Association, presented to the board. Their presentation reviewed RRWA's history and organizational structure, highlighted the association's ongoing work on behalf of the municipalities within the Russian River watershed, and summarized their recent strategic planning effort, which identified key opportunities for RRWA to strengthen and expand its regional leadership. They concluded by sharing the winning entries from RRWA's annual High School Video Contest.

Executive Director Andy Rodgers and Board Chair Maureen Mulheren responded to comments and questions from the Board.

7. North Coast Water Board Program Priorities for Fiscal Year 2026-27 *(Valerie Quinto)*

Executive Officer Valerie Quinto, presented to the board the North Coast Water Board Program Priorities for Fiscal Year 2026-27. Her presentation outlined the Board's mission and vision, described the purpose and process for annual work planning and priority setting, and highlighted how the public can access program priorities online. She also reviewed key cross-program initiatives and program highlights.

Comments were received from the following members of the public:

- Sylvia Van Royen

Specific comments can be reviewed on Cal-Span's Prior Board Meeting Video recordings (http://cal-span.org/).

The Board responded to comments and questions from the public.

Action Items

8. Resolution No. R1-2026-0022 Approving the Local Agency Management Program for the County of Sonoma *(Kelsey Cody)*

   Kelsey Cody, Senior Environmental Scientist and Nathan Quarles, Deputy Director for Permit Sonoma, Engineering and Construction presented to the Board Resolution No. R1-2026-0022 Approving the Local Agency Management Program for the County of Sonoma. The presentation included an overview of Onsite Waste Treatment Systems Policy, focused on Local Agency Management Programs (LAMPs) and Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs), an overview of what a LAMP is and status of LAMPs in the Region, a description of what staff is asking the Board to do in approving the Sonoma County LAMP, an overview of the interplay between the Russian River TMDL and Sonoma County LAMP, an overview of the Sonoma County LAMP, and conclusions and recommendations.

   Staff responded to comments and questions from the Board

Motion: Vice Chair Mackenzie moved to adopt Resolution No. R1-2026-0022. Board member Romanini seconded the motion; After board discussion, Chair Hart initiated a roll-call vote:

Bedolla	aye
Guisti	aye
Romanini	aye
Myers	aye
Mackenzie	aye
Hart	aye

Motion passed unanimously

9. Public Hearing on Order No. R1-2026-0024 to consider adoption of proposed General NPDES Permit, Waste Discharge Requirements and Water Recycling Permit for Publicly-Owned Treatment Works that Discharge to the Pacific Ocean in the North Coast Region, NPDES No. CAG581001 *(Matt Herman)*

Matt Herman, Water Resources Control Engineer presented to the Board. The presentation included eligible facilities, proposed general NPDES Permit, public comments and recommendations.

Comments were received from the following members of the public:

- Margaret Sargent

Specific comments can be reviewed on Cal-Span's Prior Board Meeting Video recordings (http://cal-span.org/).

Motion: Vice Chair Mackenzie moved to adopt Resolution No. R1-2026-0022. Board member Bedolla seconded the motion; After board discussion, Chair Hart initiated a roll-call vote:

Bedolla	aye
Guisti	aye
Romanini	aye
Myers	aye
Mackenzie	aye
Hart	aye

Motion passed unanimously

Information Items

10. Executive Officer's Report *(Valerie Quinto)*

Executive Officer Valerie Quinto highlighted some aspects of the written report provided, including the Gulala Roads Assessment Order, Program Priorities, Humboldt Bay Pre-Harvest Shellfish Program and the Enforcement Report.

11. Board Member Requests for Future Agenda Items and Other Items of Interest *(Valerie Quinto)*

There were no requests for future agenda items from the board.

12. Arrangements for Next Meeting and Adjournment

9:00 a.m., Thursday, July 23, 2026,
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Meeting adjourned at 1:08 P.M.