

California Regional Water Quality Control Board
North Coast Region

MINUTES OF MEETING
September 14, 2005
Ferndale Community Center
Firemen's Park
100 S. Berding Street
Ferndale, CA

Wednesday, September 14, 2005

8:30 a.m.

Acting Board Chair, Vice-Chair John Corbett, called the Regional Water Board meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

i. Pledge of Allegiance

Board Member Heidi Harris led the Pledge of Allegiance

ii. Roll Call and Introductions

Board Members present: John Corbett, Gerald Cochran, Richard Grundy, Heidi Harris, Dennis Leonardi, and Clifford Marshall

iii. Board Member Ex Parte Communication Disclosure.

iv. Public Forum –

Vice Chair Corbett stated that the scope of this meeting of the North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board would be limited by Temporary Restraining Orders (TROs) issued by the Humboldt Superior Court. Reading from the TROs, Mr. Corbett stated: the TROs restrain the Regional Water Board from taking any further action or holding any further hearings on Resolution Numbers R1-2005-0064, R1-2005-0065, R1-2005-0066 and R1-2005-0067; that the TROs provide notice that the court has set an Order to Show Cause hearing for October 5, 2005; that the TROs do not permit PALCO to harvest timber; and that the TROs will cause no negative impacts to the environment, nor will they violate any statutory deadlines.

Vice Chair Corbett stated that based on the TROs the Board would not be holding a hearing on the proposed watershed-wide waste discharge requirements, but that it would

hold the public forum. Corbett also, in consultation with legal counsel, admonished persons wishing to speak during the public forum that they may not discuss the substance of the WDRs or supporting evidence.

Those who participated in the public forum:

Clay Brandow, California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection
Sam Johnston, Environmental Protection Information Council
Paul Mason, Sierra Club
Jeanette Jungers, Humboldt Watershed Council
Patrick Higgins, Consulting Fish Biologist
Ali Freedlund, Mattole Restoration Council
Darryle Story, Public
Mark Lovelace, Humboldt Watershed Council
Shirley Shelburn, Public
Howard Russell, Public
Ken Miller, Environmental Protection Information Council
Vivian Helliwell, Pacific Coast Federation Fishermen Association
Kristi Wrigley, Freshwater Resident
Jared Carter, PALCO

Due to the TROs being in place, the Regional Water Board took no action at this Regional Water Board meeting.

There being no further business to come before the Regional Water Board, the meeting adjourned at 9:50 a.m., until the next scheduled Board Meeting on October 12, 2005, at the Regional Water Board, 5550 Skylane Blvd., Suite A, Santa Rosa, CA.

The Secretary, Jean Lockett recorded the Minutes of the September 14, 2005 meeting of the North Coast Water Quality Control Board. Note that a transcript of this day's proceedings will be available September 30, 2005.

Chairperson _____

Date: _____