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BOARD MEMBERS

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

1 PORTION OF TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS

2 (7:08 - 11:52)

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4 KATHERINE MROWKA: Hi. I'm Kathy Mrowka. I'm
5 Program Manager for the Enforcement Section, and I'm
6 providing the drought update today.

7 Now, tomorrow's workshop has an item on
8 curtailments, so this will be a very brief item today, and
9 we'll have a very much larger item for you tomorrow.

10 So I wanted to tell you that we're always meeting
11 with the stakeholder groups before we take any actions on
12 curtailments.

13 Last week we met with the San Joaquin Watershed
14 Stakeholder Group because we are considering curtailment of
15 1914 water rights. That group asked us to do additional
16 modeling so that we could increase their comfort level. We
17 did that modeling. We provided two additional grafts for
18 them as a result of that modeling.

19 The other item, we have a temporary urgent change
20 petition for Merced Irrigation District that we approved on
21 May the 12th.

22 So, with that, I hold the rest for tomorrow.

23 CHAIR FELICIA MARCUS: Questions for -- for today?

24 BOARD MEMBER DORENE D'ADAMO: I -- I just want to
25 thank you for the additional time you all have spent on the

1 stakeholder meetings. I've been calling in to them, and
2 it's been a good dialogue. And staff has been responsive to
3 the suggestions about additional information and analysis of
4 the data. So thank you.

5 KATHERINE MROWKA: We're glad to work with
6 everybody, so --

7 CAREN TRGOVCICH: Chair Marcus, if I can just add as
8 well that yesterday the Office of Administrative Law
9 approved the conservation regulations. So we had originally
10 anticipated it would be Friday the 15th, but it was actually
11 yesterday. OAL's approval is about to be posted to our
12 website, and we'll also be posting additional materials this
13 week. So I want to be sure to include that in the drought
14 update as well.

15 CHAIR FELICIA MARCUS: Does this not work? There
16 you go.

17 Don't you have webinars planned with the agencies as
18 well?

19 CAREN TRGOVCICH: How could I forget? We have two
20 webinars coming up -- three, actually. Two days, three
21 webinars. The first one is this week on the 21st, and you
22 can get information on our website or the government -- or
23 the ACWA's website as well. And the webinar this week is on
24 aspects of the executive border and conservation unrelated
25 to the conservation regs.

1 CHAIR FELICIA MARCUS: Rest of it, good.

2 CAREN TRGOVCICH: So it's the rest of it. Will be
3 the first webinar.

4 The second webinar is on the morning of the 26th, so
5 that will be for the urban water suppliers, the larger
6 waters suppliers, and we will focus on implementation of the
7 regulations at that time. We will also provide an update on
8 the water pricing and some related issues.

9 And then in the afternoon on the 26th, we're doing a
10 dedicated webinar just for the smaller water suppliers since
11 the changes are, while limited, unique to those suppliers,
12 and it's the first time that they've really had an
13 opportunity to interact with us on a more routine basis.

14 CHAIR FELICIA MARCUS: Well, I think that's great,
15 and that will help with folks who still have some confusion
16 about what it is we're requiring.

17 Yesterday -- well, I won't share it now, but I'll
18 share some of the things that some of the large water agency
19 board members seem to think we're doing, which is not what
20 we're doing.

21 So it's clear -- it's great that you're doing the
22 webinar with ACWA; that should help to spread the issues.
23 So that at least when people are disagreeing with us,
24 they're disagreeing with us based on reality rather than on
25 some figment of somebody's imagination, so I thank you for

1 putting in the time for all that.

2 VICE-CHAIR FRANCES SPIVY-WEBER: In addition, this
3 week, yesterday, today, and tomorrow, the -- what is it?
4 The LPA is meeting with the Division of Drinking Water, and
5 they do a lot of work with the small -- the small, so they
6 should know about this webinar, if they don't already.

7 CAREN TRGOVCICH: We emailed the information on the
8 webinar to the entire database, I think, in the SGWA system.
9 So all of the small suppliers, and I believe it will be
10 announced as well.

11 VICE-CHAIR FRANCES SPIVY-WEBER: That these are the
12 county people who work with --

13 THE WITNESS: That's a good point. I'll make sure
14 to get --

15 VICE-CHAIR FRANCES SPIVY-WEBER: (Inaudible) over in
16 Klamath, so just letting them -- you know, passing out flyer
17 in that meeting would be good.

18 CHAIR FELICIA MARCUS: Any other questions? We'll
19 spend a fair amount of time on a lot of this tomorrow, but
20 thank you for all the really hard work. The whole team has
21 been extraordinary.

22 (Whereupon, end of transcribed portion.)

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