
Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board

Meeting Minutes
City of Agoura Hills
Council Chambers
30001 Ladyface Court
Agoura Hills, California 91301

May 9, 2019

Chair Irma Muñoz called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m.

Item 1 – Roll Call

Board Members Present: Francine Diamond, Irma Muñoz, James Stahl, Daniel Tellalian, Charles Stringer, Cynthia Guzman and Lawrence Yee

Staff Present: Renee Purdy, Hugh Marley, Sophie Froelich, Tamarin Austin, Gerardo Rabelo, Puja Vats, Susana Lagudis, Brendan O’Sullivan, Cris Morris, Jenny Newman, Milasol Gaslan, Cassandra Owens, Russ Colby, Eric Wu, Peter Raftery, Wen Yang, Ching Yin To, Thomas Siebels, Veronica Cuevas Alpuche, Augustine Anijelo, Gensen Kai, Jennifer Fordyce, Mazhar Ali

Individuals whose Names Appear on the Sign-In Sheet and/or Speaker Cards:

Ms. Ann Heil, LACSD
Mr. Eric Conrad, Petro Diamond
Ms. Shoun Krues, City of Moorpark
Ms. Annamarie Clark, Engeo
Ms. Katherine Zecca, Engeo
Ms. Laurel Firestone, SWRCB
Mr. Joseph Vernon, LA County Public Works
Ms. Grace Hyde, LACSD
Mr. Michael Omary, Clean Water Technologies
Ms. Nicole Granquist, LACSD
Ms. Betsy Elzufon, LWA
Mr. Dirk Marks, Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency
Mr. Terry Lund, San Miguel Produce
Ms. Naoko Munakata, LACSD
Mr. Dave Dassler, Boeing

IRMA MUÑOZ, CHAIR | RENEE PURDY, EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Mr. Bob Pitt, The University of Alabama
Mr. Steve Bedler
Mr. Roy Nishimori, San Miguel Produce
Ms. Jan Berk, San Miguel Produce
Mr. Janet Murphy, Moorpark
Ms. Jodie Lanza, LACSD
Mr. Mark Osokow, San Fernando Valley Audubon
Mr. Rowe Michels, Alpheus Water Research
Ms. Dorri Raskin
Mr. Andrew Hall, LACSD
Ms. Jeni Knack
Ms. Bonnie Clen
Mr. Michael Rincon, PS-LA
Mr. Chris Rowe
Mr. Pat Gearheart
Mr. MK Stenstorm, UCLA
Mr. William Preston Bowling
Ms. Melissa Bumstead
Mr. Michael Collins

Item 2 – Order of Agenda

The EO Renee Purdy stated that Items 10 and 11 are moved to the Uncontested Items.

Item 3 – Approval of Draft Meeting Minutes for the April 11, 2019 meeting.

MOTION: Board Member Irma Muñoz to approve the draft revised April 11, 2019 Board Meeting Minutes

Seconded by: Board member Charles Stringer

Motion carried: Approval unanimously by roll call vote.

Francine Diamond – Yea
Cynthia Guzman – Abstained as she was absent from the April 11, 2019 Board Meeting
Irma Muñoz – Yea
James Stahl – Yea
Charles Stringer – Yea
Daniel Tellalian – Yea
Lawrence Yee – Yea

Item 4 – Board Member Communications

There were no Ex Parte Disclosures reported

Board Members Yee, Guzman and Muñoz each reported on conferences they attended. Chair Muñoz also reported on the annual chairs meeting. Board Member Tellalian reported on a meeting he had with LA Waterkeeper, Heal the Bad and NRDC.

Item 5 – Executive Officer’s Report

The Executive Officer, Renee Purdy, and Assistant Executive Officer, Hugh Marley, provided a verbal report, including a discussion of the NRDC Report released on May 1, 2019.

Board members made comments and asked questions of the Executive Officer in regard to NRDC report.

Item 6 – Update from State Board

State Water Board Member Laurel Firestone introduced herself to the Board and provided an update on State Water Board activities.

Item 7 – Public Forum

Speakers:

- Ms. Janet Murphy
- Mr. Michael Omary, Clean Water technologies

Item 8 -11 Uncontested Items Calendar

The EO stated the uncontested Items as: 8, 9, 10 and 11.

The Chair asked for a Motion, second, and roll call vote.

MOTION: Board Member Lawrence Yee made a motion to approve uncontested items calendar as Items 8, 9, 10 and 11.

Seconded by: Board member Charles Stringer

Motion carried: Approved unanimously by roll call vote.

Francine Diamond – Yea

Cynthia Guzman – Yea

Irma Muñoz – Yea

James Stahl – Yea

Charles Stringer – Yea

Daniel Tellalian – Yea

Lawrence Yee – Yea

Item 12 – Consideration of Waste Discharge Requirements and Water Recycling Requirements for San Miguel Produce, Inc.

Dr. Eric Wu, Chief of the Groundwater Permitting Unit, gave the staff presentation.

Jan Berk of San Miguel Produce and Betsy Elzufon, Larry Walker Associates, representing San Miguel Produce, gave a joint presentation.

MOTION: Board Member Francine Diamond made a motion to approve Item 12.

Seconded by: Board Member Cynthia Guzman

Motion carried: Approved unanimously by roll call vote

Francine Diamond – Yea

Cynthia Guzman – Yea

Irma Muñoz – Yea

James Stahl – Yea

Charles Stringer – Yea

Daniel Tellalian – Yea

Lawrence Yee – Yea

Item 13 and 14 - Consideration of Time Schedule Orders for the Santa Clarita Valley Sanitation District's Valencia and Saugus Water Reclamation Plants

Jeong-Hee Lim, Chief of the Municipal Permitting Unit, gave the staff presentation.

Grace Hyde, General Manager and Chief Engineer of the Santa Clarita Valley Sanitation District, gave a brief presentation.

Dr. Dirk Marks, Director of Water Resources for the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency, gave a presentation on the role and activities of the agency.

MOTION: Board member Lawrence Yee made a motion to jointly approve items 13 & 14.

Seconded by: Board member Charles Stringer

Motion carried: Approved unanimously by roll call vote.

Francine Diamond – Yea

Cynthia Guzman – Yea

Irma Muñoz – Yea

James Stahl – Yea

Charles Stringer – Yea

Daniel Tellalian – Yea

Lawrence Yee – Yea

Item 15 – Informational update on the 2018-2019 Storm Season Data from Boeing Santa Susana Field Laboratory: Woolsey Fire Impacts, Water Quality Data and Outfall 002.

Introductory remarks by Cassandra Owens, Unit Chief, Industrial Permitting

Presentation by Storm Water Expert Panel for the Boeing SSFL Site:

Robert Gearheart, Ph.D., Humboldt State University

Jonathan Jones, P.E. D. WRE, Wright Water Engineers

Michael Josselyn, Ph.D., Wetlands Research Associates

Robert Pitt, Ph.D., P.E., D. WRE, BCEE University of Alabama
Michael Stenstrom, Ph.D., P.E., BCEE, UCLA

Speaker cards:

- Denise Duffield, Physicians for Social Responsibility L.A.
- Ms. Bonnie Klea, Workers/Community
- Ms. Jeni Knack, Community Member
- Ms. Melissa Bumstead, Parents vs. SSFL
- Ms. Dorri Raski, Representing Self
- Mr. William Bowling, Representing Self
- Mr. Michael Rincon, Physicians for Social Responsibility LA (PSR-LA)
- Ms. Christina Walsh, Environmental Monsters
- Ms. Christine Rowe, Representing Self

The Board went into closed session at 12:30 p.m. and reconvened at 1:30 p.m.

The meeting adjourned at 3:50 p.m. (For more details information on any matter at our meetings, you may contact Puja Vats at (213) 576-6611 or email at: puja.vats@waterboards.ca.gov, and she may provide an electronic copy of the transcripts or audio, if available.)

Written and submitted by Puja Vats, then finalized on: June 3, 2019



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