



# Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board

### **Meeting Minutes**

Los Angeles Water Board Meeting April 9, 2015

The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California (Board Room) 700 North Alameda Street Los Angeles, California

The meeting was called to Order by Chair Charles Stringer at 9:04 am.

#### 1. Roll Call.

<u>Board Members Present:</u> Maria Camacho, Fran Diamond, Madelyn Glickfeld, Maria Mehranian, Irma Muñoz, Charles Stringer, and Lawrence Yee.

Board Members Absent: None

<u>Staff Present:</u> Samuel Unger, Deborah Smith, Paula Rasmussen, Jennifer Fordyce, David Coupe, Ronji Moffett, Susana Lagudis, Gerardo Rabelo, David Hung, Renee Purdy, Dr. Ginachi Amah, Michael Lyons, Elizabeth Erickson, Russ Colby, Dr. Arthur Heath, Dr. L.B. Nye, Celine Gallon, Hugh Marley, Ching Yin To, Veronica Cuevas, Cassandra Owens, Ms. Shana Rapoport, Jessica Pearson

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

Ms. Ann Heil, L.A. County Sanitation District	Mr. Peter Shellenbarger, Heal the Bay
Mr. George Gallis, L.A. County Sanitation	Mr. Charles Caspary, Las Virgenes Municipal
Districts	Water District
Mr. Bruce Harrison, Representing self	Mr. Nate Dakar, Representing self
Ms. Meng Hsu, TECs Environmental	Mr. Geremew Amenu, L.A. County DPW
Ms. Lena Platt, La Rouche PAC	Ms. Lara Meeker, Los Angeles WaterKeeper
Mr. Gerry Greene, CWE	Mr. Edward Malik, La Rouche PAC
Mr. David Pedersen, Las Virgenes MWD	Mr. Shawn Warren, Friends of the L.A. River
Mr. Bryant Alvarado, Latham Watkins Assoc.	Mr. Allan Cameron, AC, CDC
Mr. Phil Freiss, L.A. County Sanitation District	Mr. William Stracker, Lynwood Public Works
Mr. Bruce Harrison, Representing self	Mr. Steven Bay, So. CA Coastal Water Research
	Project
Ms. Felicia Federico, UCLA	Mr. Paul Alva, L.A. County Flood Control District
Ms. Tatiana Gaur, L.A. WaterKeeper	Dr. Mark Gold, UCLA

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Mr. Ray Tahir, TEC Environmental	Ms. Becky Hayat, NRDC
Mr. Chris Minton, L.A. Metals Steering	Mr. Ken Farfsing, L.A. Metals Steering
Committee	Committee
Mr. Sharam Kharaghani, City of Los Angeles	Council member Bill De Witt, City of South Gate
Mayor Larry Forester, City of Signal Hill	Mayor Mary Ann Lutz, City of Monrovia
Ms. Mary Farkas, Representing self	Mr. Lee Alexanderson, L.A. County Flood Control District
Mr. John Hunter, L.A. River Watershed Committee	Mr. Nate Dakar, Representing self
Ms. Grace Hyde, L.A. County Sanitation Districts	Mr. Mike Solomon, United Water Conservation District
Mr. Tony Morgan, United Water Conservation District	Mr. Martin Hernandez, Rep. Ventura County Supervisor Kathy Long
Ms. Jeanne Duarte, SCV One Water	Mr. Steve Pctzold, Stop DWI in Santa Clarita
Mr. Keith Pritsker, Stop DWI in SCV	

## 2. Order of Agenda.

Executive Officer requested changes to the order of items on the agenda to be heard as follows: Item 3, 13, 10, 15, 11 and 12 as joint presentation.

3. Approval of draft meeting Minutes for the March 12, 2015 Board meeting.

MOTION: Board member Lawrence Yee moved to approve the March 12, 2015 draft Board meeting minutes.

Seconded by: Board member Fran Diamond

Motion Carried: Approved unanimously by roll call vote

Maria Camacho – Yea Francine Diamond – Yea Madelyn Glickfeld – Yea Maria Mehranian – Yea Irma Muñoz – Yea Charles Stringer – Yea Lawrence Yee - Yea

4. Board Member Communications.

None.

Uncontested Items Calendar.

EO stated the Uncontested Calendar as: Items 5, and 6.

7. Executive Officer's Report. (Presented by Executive Officer, Samuel Unger)

Report and Addendum Report was given to the Board. The Report was posted on the Board's website:

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- 8. Update from State Board was presented by Ms. Fran Spivy-Weber, Liaison, State Water Resources Control Board.
- 9. Public Forum.
  - Mr. John Hunter, Los Angeles Watershed Committee
  - Mr. Lee Anderson, L.A. County Flood Control District
  - Ms. Lena Pratt, LaRouche PAC/EIR
  - Mr. Edward Malik, La Rouche PAC
  - Ms. Mary Farkas, Representing self
- 13. Consideration of tentative Basin Plan amendment to adopt site-specific objectives for lead and copper in the Los Angeles River Watershed and to revise the Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) for Metals in the Los Angeles River and Tributaries.

\*Board member Madelyn Glickfeld made a statement of ExParte Communication on this matter due to a question she imposed to Dr. Mark Gold, of UCLA on this issue. Copies of the questions imposed were copied and distributed.

Staff report presented by Ms. Jenny Newman, Unite Chief, Total Maximum Daily Load 3 unit, and Ms. Celine Gallon, Project Manager.

## Speaker cards:

- · Mayor Mary Ann Lutz, City of Monrovia
- Mayor Larry Forester, City of Signal Hill
- Mr. Bill De Witt, Council member City of South Gate
- Mr. Ken Farfsing, L.A. River Metals Steering Committee
- Mr. Chris Minton, L.A. River Metals Steering Committee
- Mr. Shahram Kharaghani, City of Los Angeles
- Mr. Peter Shallenbarger, Heal the Bay
- Ms. Lara Meeker, L.A. WaterKeeper
- Ms. Becky Hayat, National Resources Defense Council
- Dr. Mark Gold, UCLA
- Mr. Shawn Warren, Friends of the Los Angeles River
- Dr. Gerald Green, Representing self
- Mr. Ray Tahir, TEC Environmental
- Mr. Paul Alva, Los Angeles County Flood Control District
- Ms. Felicia Federico, UCLA
- Mr. Steven Bay, S. California Coastal Water Research Project
- Mr. William Stracker, Lynwood Public Works Director

#### Board questions and discussion:

- Concern about margin of safety
- Questions regarding sampling

MOTION: Board member Maria Mehranian moved to adopt the Basin Plan amendment (Resolution) as recommended by staff.

Seconded by: Board member Lawrence Yee Motion carried: Approved 5 to 2 roll call vote.

Maria Camacho – Yea Francine Diamond - Nay Madelyn Glickfeld – Nay Maria Mehranian – Yea Irma Muñoz – Yea Charles Stringer – Yea Lawrence Yee - Yea

(\*Following the vote on item 13, Board member Irma Muñoz left the meeting at 3:54 pm)

15. Consideration of tentative Waste Discharge Requirements for Joint Outfall System formerly referred to as County Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County (San Jose Creek Water Reclamation Plant, Whittier. (This item was continued from the March 12, 2015 meeting)

Ms. Cris Morris, Unit Chief in Municipal Permitting opened stating the proposed revisions that were made from the permit that was presented from the March 12, 2015 hearing.

Ms. Ann Heil, L.A. County Sanitation Districts commented stating her position on the latest revised tentative permit and change sheet, indicating that the County and the Regional Board was not able to agree on the language, and was disappointed that they were unable to fully agree.

## Speaker cards:

• Mr. Peter Shallenbarger, Heal the Bay

MOTION: Board member Madelyn Glickfeld moved to adopt the tentative Waste Discharge Requirements with the Change sheet as recommended by staff.

Seconded by: Board member Maria Mehranian

Motion carried: Approved unanimously by roll call vote.

Maria Camacho – Yea Francine Diamond - Yea Madelyn Glickfeld – Yea Maria Mehranian – Yea Charles Stringer – Yea Lawrence Yee - Yea

Items 11 and 12 were a joint presentation.

- 11. Consideration of tentative Waste Discharge Requirements for Santa Clarita Valley Sanitation District of Los Angeles County (SCVSD) formerly referred to as County Sanitation District of Los Angeles County (Valencia Water Reclamation Plant), Santa Clarita; and
- 12. Consideration of tentative Waste Discharge Requirements for Santa Clarita Valley Sanitation District of Los Angeles County (SCVSD) formerly referred to as County Sanitation District of Los Angeles County (Saugus Water Reclamation Plant), Santa Clarita.

Staff report was made by Ms. Cris Morris, Unit Chief in Municipal Permitting.

### Speaker cards:

- Ms. Grace Hyde, Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts
- Ms. Ann Heil, Santa Clarita Valley Sanitation District
- Mr. Steve Pctzold, Stop DWI in the Santa Clarita Valley
- Ms. Jeanne Duarte. SCV One Water
- Mr. Martin Hernandez, Representing Ventura County Supervisor Kathy Long
- Mr. Mike Solomon, United Water Conservation District
- Mr. Tony Morgan, United Water Conservation District
- Mr. Allan Cameron, CCG

MOTION: Board member Madelyn Glickfeld moved to adopt the tentative Waste Discharge Requirements with the Change sheet as recommended by staff.

Seconded by: Board member Fran Diamond

Motion carried: Approved unanimously by roll call vote.

Maria Camacho – Yea Francine Diamond - Yea Madelyn Glickfeld – Yea Maria Mehranian – Yea Charles Stringer – Yea Lawrence Yee - Yea

(\*Following items 11 and 12, Board members Madelyn Glickfeld, and Fran Diamond left the meeting at 5:03 pm).

10. Consideration of tentative Resolution adopting the Petroleum Underground Storage Tank Emergency, Abandoned, and Recalcitrant (EAR) Account Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Annual Priority Site List for the Los Angeles Region.

Staff report presented by Dr. Yue Rong, Chief of Underground Storage Tank (UST) Section.

### Speaker cards:

Mr. Nate Dakar, Representing self

MOTION: Board member Lawrence Yee moved to adopt the tentative Resolution as recommended by staff.

Seconded by: Board member Maria Mehranian

Motion carried: Approved unanimously by roll call vote.

Maria Camacho – Yea Maria Mehranian – Yea Charles Stringer – Yea Lawrence Yee - Yea

The meeting adjourned at 5:26 pm. (For more detailed information on any matter at our

meetings, you may contact Ronji Moffett at (213) 576-6612 or email at: <a href="mailto:ronji.moffett@waterboards.ca.gov">ronji.moffett@waterboards.ca.gov</a>, and she may provide an Electronic copy of the transcript or audio, if available.)

Written and submitted by: 4

Ronji R. Moffett

then finalized on 05

05/14/15