

Minutes of Meeting

8:30 A.M., Thursday, May 12, 2016

Table Bluff Reservation

Wiyot Community Center

1000 Wiyot Drive

Loleta, CA 95551

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i. **Pledge of Allegiance**

Board member Hales led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ii. **Roll Call and Introductions**

Board Members present: John Corbett, Kelli Gant, Gregory Giusti, Geoffrey Hales, Valerie Minton, and David Noren

Regional Water Board staff present: Elizabeth Beryt, Jim Burke, Josh Curtis, Nathan Jacobsen, David Kuszmar, Shin-Roei Lee, Lance Le, Alydda Mangelsdorf, Samantha Olson, Donna Poe, Matt St. John, Chuck Striplen, and Adona White

Chairman Corbett thanked Chris Howard, Del Norte County Supervisor, District 3, and Rex Bohn, Humboldt County Supervisor, District 1, for their attendance at the Board meeting.

iii. **Board Member Reports and Ex Parte Communication Disclosure:**

No Board member reports or Ex Parte Communication.

iv. **State Board Liaison and Executive Officer's Reports.**

The State Board Liaison, Steven Moore did not attend meeting.

v. **Public Forum:**

Comments were taken from:

- Susan Corum, Karuk Tribe
- Tom Wheeler, EPIC
- Chis Howard, Del Norte County Supervisor
- Blake Alexandre, Alexandre Family Eco-Dairy Farms
- Harry A. Harms, Easter Lily Grower
- Linda Crockett, Del Norte Resource Conservation District
- Rob Miller, Del Norte County Farm Bureau

Uncontested Items

No Uncontested items were scheduled

Action Items

2. ***Continued from April 7, 2016 Board Meeting. Public Hearing on Resolution No. R1-2016-0017 to consider adoption of an amendment to the Water Quality Control Plan for the North Coast Region to include the Action Plan for Upper Elk River Sediment Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) addressing sediment impairments in the Upper Elk River.*** Alydda Mangelsdorf, Senior Environmental Scientist, Planning Unit, gave a recap of the April 7, 2016 Board meeting presentation along with a review and summary of the TMDL Action Plan, and the revisions resulting from Board member and public comments during the April 7, 2016 Board meeting, along with staff recommendation to adopt.

Motion: Board member Noren moved to adopt, Board member Minton seconded the motion; Chairman Corbett initiated a roll-call vote:

Giusti nay
Noren aye
Corbett aye
Hales aye
Minton aye
Gant nay

Motion passed 4 ayes to 2 nays.

3. **Public Hearing on proposed Order No. R1-2016-0004, Waste Discharge Requirements and General Water Quality Certification for Nonpoint Source Discharges and Other Controllable Water Quality Factors Related to Timber Harvesting and Associated Activities Conducted by Humboldt Redwood Company, LLC in the Upper Elk River Watershed, Humboldt County.** Jim Burke, Senior Engineering Geologist, Southern Nonpoint Source & Forestry Unit, gave a presentation on the timeline, status update and overview of the Waste Discharge Requirements (WDR), public comments and responses, revisions to the WDR, with staff recommendation to adopt.

Comments were taken from:

- Mike Miles, Humboldt Redwood Company
- Wayne Whitlock, Attorney for Humboldt Redwood Company
- Joe Croteau, California Department of Fish & Wildlife
- Rob DiPerna, Environmental Protection Information Center
- Vivian Helliwell, Pacific Coast Federation of Fishermen's Association

- Jesse Noell, Elk River resident
- Jerry Martien, Friends of Elk River
- Kristi Wrigley, Elk River resident
- Norman Pasteris, Elk River resident
- Tom Wheeler, Staff Attorney, Environmental Protection Information Center
- Nathan Madsen, Environmental Protection Information Center
- Doug Smith, Public

Samantha Olson, Staff Counsel, recommended that the public hearing record be closed, due to the numerous questions from the Board. Chairman Corbett closed the record and directed that this item be brought back to the Board at a later date.

1. **Approval of Meeting Minutes:** May 12, 2016

Motion: Board member Hales moved to adopt the meeting minutes, Board member Noren seconded the motion; Chairman Corbett initiated a roll-call vote:

Giusti aye
Noren aye
Corbett aye
Hales aye
Minton aye
Gant aye

Motion passed unanimously.

Workshops

No Workshops are scheduled at this time

Information Items

4. **Executive Officer's Report.** No report was given.
5. **Board Member Requests for Future Agenda Items.** David Noren requested an update regarding the Industrial General Stormwater Permit and the new numeric levels for metals.
6. **Other Items of Interest.** No items to discuss.
7. **Closed session:** There were no reports from closed session.

8. **Arrangements for Next Meeting and Adjournment**

1:00 p.m., Wednesday, June 15, 2016

5550 Skylane Blvd, Suite A

Santa Rosa, CA

Meeting adjourned at 3:23 pm.

Chairperson_____

Date_____