



**MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING**

May 15/16, 2014  
 City of Redding, City Hall  
 777 Cypress Avenue  
 Redding, CA 96001

**THURSDAY, MAY 15, 9:00 A.M.**

On May 15, 2014 Central Valley Water Board members, Cal EPA Executive Management, and Central Valley Water Board and State Water Board Executive Management participated in an all-day field tour and discussion of water quality impacts associated with Abandoned Mines, Marijuana Cultivation, and Timber Harvest Activities. The ground tour consisted of Iron Mountain Mine, Shasta Dam, and the Battle Creek Watershed. Some Board Members and Cal EPA Executive Management also participated in an aerial tour viewing abandoned mines along the North Shore of Shasta Lake, active timber harvest and post fire harvest operations, and marijuana cultivation sites.

Don Bader, Deputy Regional Manager, Bureau of Reclamation and Sherri Harral, Media Manager, Bureau of Reclamation, spoke.

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

Longley, Karl, Chair	Meraz, Sandra	Moffitt, Jenny Lester, Vice-Chair	Ramirez, Carmen
Costantino, Jon			

Bird, Catherine, Senator Gaines Office			
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**CAL EPA STAFF PRESENT AND STATE BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

Burns, Gordon, Under Secretary	Reynolds, Alice	Doduc, Tam	
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**STATE BOARD STAFF (OFFICE OF CHIEF COUNSEL AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS) PRESENT**

Coupe, David	Carrigan, Cris	Kostyrko, George	Mayer, Alex
Pulupa, Patrick			

**STAFF PRESENT**

Bauer, Heidi	Creedon, Pamela	Snyder, Clint	Wilson, Angela
Chetelat, Guy	Perea, Griffin	Vellines, Pat	Woodward, Phil
Coe, Drew			

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Anderson, Charles	Bader, Don	Little, DeWayne, Lt.	
Anderson, Curtis	Harral, Sherri	Mitzel, Mike	

**FRIDAY, MAY 16, 8:30 A.M.**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chair, Dr. Longley called to order a special meeting on Marijuana

Longley, Karl, Chair	Meraz, Sandra	Moffitt, Jenny Lester, Vice-Chair	Ramirez, Carmen
Schneider, Robert	Costantino, Jon		

**LEGISLATORS OFFICE STAFF PRESENT**

Bird, Catherine, Senator Gaines Office	Ross, Bruce, Assemblyman Brian Dahle's Office	
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**CAL EPA STAFF PRESENT**

Burns, Gordon, Under Secretary	Reynolds, Alice		
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**STATE BOARD MEMBER PRESENT**

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**STATE BOARD STAFF (OFFICE OF ENFORCEMENT AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS) PRESENT**

Coupe, David	Carrigan, Cris	Kostyrko, George	Mayer, Alex
Pulupa, Patrick			

**STAFF PRESENT**

Altevogt, Andrew	Hallis, Deborah	Matthews, Jacqueline	Stein, Grant
Bauer, Heidi	Landau, Ken	Molitoris, Lauria	Vellines, Pat
Busby, Robert	Holcomb, Ron	Pagan, Jeremy	Whitley, Daniel
Chow, Bob	Huggins, Jeff	Ricks, Mike	Warner, Dan
Chandler, Zach	Hutchins, Cori	Ross, Bruce	Wilson, Angela
Creedon, Pamela	Lanfranchi, Kiran	Smith, Bryan	Woodward, Phil
Edmunds, Shane	Letton, Ben	Snyder, Clint	
Gilbreath, Scott	Low, George	Sorrels, Bob	

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Alexander, Chad	Fletcher, Dale	Lessard, Denise	Simon, Richard
Anderson, Charles	Giacomini, Pam	Merkel, Andrew	Sorrels, Bob
Andrews, John	Henderson, Amy	Nevedal, Kristin	Wedemeyer, Eric
Arthur, Shay	Jensen, Ricky	Oates, John	
Babcock, Curt	Kerr, Jamie	Ross, Bruce	
Donahoe, Sean	Kunz, Nick	Rowe, Ben	
Boone, Mathew	Lane, John	Serio, Carla	

**AGENDA ITEM 3  
BOARD COMMUNICATION**

Dr. Longley thanked all responsible for organizing the tour yesterday. Board Members got a good view of the acid mine drainage, together with the abandoned, or old mines. Those who went on the helicopter ride got a good view of the grower operations. In addition to that, there was a good discussion on timber management and land restoration after severe forest fires.

**AGENDA ITEM 4  
PUBLIC FORUM**

John Oates, retired, representing Fish/Science/Miners, said that he started a restoration process by putting the original gravels as a basis for biological study. He put in 10000 plus hours in Clear Creek reclaiming impacted gravels, through dredging activity. He would like the Board to look into the matter.

Staff will contact Mr. Oates to better understand the issue.

**OTHER BUSINESS****AGENDA ITEM 5**

Staff Report on the Development of a Program to Regulate Discharges of Waste from Marijuana Cultivation Sites  
– *Informational Item Only*

Clint Snyder, Assistant Executive Officer of the Redding office, gave a brief overview of the agenda, by providing regulatory overview, and some enforcement options and some steps in moving forward.

Clint Keller, Vestra Resources in Redding and Brian Schmid spoke on yesterday's field tour. Cris Carrigan, Director of Enforcement, State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB), Patrick Pulupa, Senior Legal Counsel, (SWRCB) Lt. DeWayne Little, California Department of Fish and Wildlife, (CDFA), Brad Henderson, (CDFA),

Clint Snyder spoke on proposed strategy for regulation of dischargers.

Kristin Nevedal, (Emerald Growers Organization), Sean Donohoe (California Cannabis Industry Association) Andrew Merkel (Butte County) and Bruce Ross (Assemblyman Dahle's office) made comments.

**AGENDA ITEM 6**

Staff Report on the Impacts, Regulation, and Remediation of Legacy Mines within the Central Valley Region – *Informational Item Only*

Phil Woodward presented the staff report and spoke about the mining program in the Region and some of the mining issues facing staff in the Redding area. Jeff Huggins spoke about some of the activities in the Sacramento area. Ron Holcomb, spoke about issues faced in Fresno.

**AGENDA ITEM 7**

Staff Report on the Regulation of Timber Harvest Activities within the Central Valley Region – *Informational Item Only*

Angela Wilson presented the staff report, together with Jacqueline Matthews, Deborah Hallis, Shane Edmunds, Daniel Whitley and Griffin Perea.

Meeting adjourned at 4:20 p.m. to the June 5/6, 2014 Board Meeting