

**STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 20, 2018**

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CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chair Moore called the meeting to order on March 20, 2018 at 9:34 a.m. California Environmental Protection Agency Headquarters, 1001 I Street, 2nd Floor, Coastal Hearing Room, Sacramento, California

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Chair Felicia Marcus (arrived at 10:05 a.m.); Vice Chair Steven Moore; Member Dorene D'Adamo; Member E. Joaquin Esquivel

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

Member Tam Doduc

EXECUTIVE STAFF PRESENT

Eileen Sobeck, Executive Director
Michael Lauffer, Chief Counsel
Jonathan Bishop, Chief Deputy Director
Eric Oppenheimer, Chief Deputy Director
Jeanine Townsend, Clerk to the Board

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- *Evacuation information in case the fire alarm goes off during the meeting.*
- *The Board meeting is being webcasted and recorded.*

BOARD MEETING

Public comments on agenda items will be limited to 5 minutes or otherwise at the discretion of the Board Chair

PUBLIC FORUM

Any member of the public may address and ask questions of the Board relating to any matter within the State Water Resources Control Board's jurisdiction provided the matter is not on the agenda, or pending before the State Water Board or any California Regional Water Quality Control Board.

No Action Taken

Commenters

Richard McMurtry, Santa Clara County Creeks Coalition (extirpation of steelhead trout on Coyote Creek)

BOARD BUSINESS

1. The Board will consider adoption of the March 6, 2018 Board Meeting minutes.

Motion: Member Esquivel moved to adopt the proposed minutes.

Seconded by: Member D'Adamo

MOTION CARRIED: ([March 6, 2018](#))

Aye: Vice Chair Moore
Member D'Adamo
Member Esquivel

Nay: None

Absent: Chair Marcus
Member Doduc

Abstain: None

UNCONTESTED ITEM* (ITEM 2)

- *2. Consideration of a proposed Resolution to [authorize use of supplemental environmental project funds for regional monitoring program projects](#). *Staff Presenting: Thomas Mumley, Bill Johnson, Paul Ciccarelli & Cris Carrigan* ([Staff Presentation](#))

This item was removed from Uncontested

- [Comment Letters](#)

Motion: Member Esquivel moved to adopt the proposed Resolution.

Seconded by: Member D'Adamo

MOTION CARRIED: ([Resolution No. 2018-0015](#))

Aye: Vice Chair Moore
Member D'Adamo
Member Esquivel

Nay: None

Absent: Chair Marcus
Member Doduc

Abstain: None

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

3. Current Hydrologic Conditions. *Staff Presenting: Chris Kwan & Vadim Demchuk* ([Staff Presentation](#))

No Action Taken

4. [Quarterly Report on current Delta Science issues](#).

➤ *Michael George, Delta Watermaster & Dr. John Callaway with the Delta Stewardship Council made the [presentation to the Board](#).*

No Action Taken

5. Update regarding the [Status of Phase 1 of the Salton Sea Management Program](#).
Staff Presenting: Justine Herrig, Bruce Wilcox & Lily Weaver (Staff Presentation)

No Action Taken

- [Comment Letters](#)

Commenters

*Michael Cohen, Pacific Institute
Michael Lynes, Audubon California ([Presentation](#))
Kerry Morrison, West Shores Salton Sea
Tom Sephton, Sephton Water Technology, Inc.
Kevin Kelley, Imperial Irrigation District*

6. [Annual Progress Report by the Staff to the Board on the Implementation of the Human Right to Water](#).
Staff Presenting: Gita Kapahi, Wendy Killou, Max Gomberg & Kim Niemeyer (Staff Presentation)

No Action Taken

Commenters

Jonathan Nelson, Community Water Center

7. [Evaluation of General Waste Discharge Requirements for Composting Operations](#).
Staff Presenting: Brianna St. Pierre & Scott Couch (Staff Presentation)

No Action Taken

Commenters

*Dave Runsten, Community Alliance with Family Farmers
Stacey Sullivan, Sustainable Conservation
Jane Sooby, California Certified Organic Farmers
Neil Edgar, California Compost Coalition
Calla Rose Olander, General Public
Sara Gonlden, John Wick & The Carbon Cycle Institute
Brian Shobe, CalCAN
Nick Lapis, California Against Waste*

8. Board Member Report.

Vice Chair Moore

- *Attended the March 9, 2018 Bay Area Potable Reuse Summit.*
- *Attended the American Environmental Health Group Annual Meeting in San Diego.*

Member Esquivel

- *On March 7, 2018 attended the Salton Sea meeting in Coachella.*
- *Attended the Los Angeles Regional Board meeting on March 8, 2018.*

Chair Marcus

- *Spoke at an ACWA Meeting at the screening of a film coming out on Earth Day called "Beyond the Brink"*

9. [Executive Director's Report](#).

No Action Taken

ADJOURNMENT

The Board adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION
Closed Sessions are not open to the Public

OFFICE OF CHIEF COUNSEL

The Board may meet in closed session to deliberate on procedural or substantive decisions to be reached in the proceeding to consider the joint Petition filed by the California Department of Water Resources and the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation to add three new points of diversion and/or points of redirection of water to specified water right permits for the State Water Project and the Central Valley Project associated with the California WaterFix Project. (This closed session is authorized under Government Code section 11126, subdivision (c)(3).)

The Board met in Closed Session on the above Item.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION!!

Unless otherwise specified, submittal of written comments **must be received by 12:00 p.m. on March 15, 2018, and will not be accepted after that time.**

Submittal of electronic Powerpoint presentations **must be received by 12:00 p.m. on March 15, 2018, and will not be accepted after that time.**

Submittals are to be sent via e-mail to the Clerk to the Board at commentletters@waterboards.ca.gov. Please indicate in the subject line, **03/20/18 BOARD MEETING – ITEM # (fill in bolded subject from appropriate item).** If you have questions about the agenda, contact the Clerk to the Board at (916) 341-5600.

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