Agricultural Expert Panel Meeting #6

Monday Tuesday July 1, 2014 – 8:30 AM

Meeting Location:
Irrigation Training and Research Center
California Polytechnic State University, SLO
1 Grand Ave, Building 08A, Room 022
San Luis Obispo, CA 93405

Teleconference Location:
BerryMex SA de CV
Av. Benito Juarez Sur 713-B
Colonia Vicente Guerrero
Ensenada, Baja California, Mexico 22920

Teleconference Location: At least one member of the expert panel will participate in the meeting from the remote teleconference location identified above. The teleconference location is also open to the public. Members of the public are welcome to listen to the meeting from the teleconference location, and will be given an opportunity to present comments to the expert panel during the meeting’s public comment period.

THIS MEETING IS A CONTINUATION OF THE EFFORTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD CHAPTER 1 OF THE SECOND EXTRAORDINARY SESSION OF 2008 (SBX2 1, PERATA) REPORT TO THE LEGISLATURE – RECOMMENDATION 14, EXPERT PANEL AND ADVISORY COMMITTEE FORMATION. THE MEETING WILL BE CONDUCTED BY THE EXPERT PANEL. A QUORUM OF STATE WATER BOARD MEMBERS MAY BE IN ATTENDANCE, BUT NO BOARD ACTION WILL BE TAKEN AT THIS MEETING.

AGENDA

I. Call the meeting to order

II. Declaration of a quorum
   Dr. Charles Burt, Panel Chair; Dr. Robert Hutmacher; Till Angermann; Bill Brush; Daniel Munk; James duBois; Mark McKean; Dr. Lowell Zelinski

III. Housekeeping announcements

IV. Panel introduction and opening remarks by panel members

V. Review Agenda
VI. Public Comments (Any member of the public may present comments or remarks to the Panel. Commenters will be limited to 2 minutes or otherwise at the discretion of the Chair. Commenters will be asked to fill out a speaker card if they wished to be called to speak.)

VII. Panel discussion of draft report

VIII. Adjournment

Background
Chapter 1 of the Second Extraordinary Session of 2008 (SBX2 1, Perata), required the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) to develop pilot projects focusing on nitrate in groundwater in the Tulare Lake Basin and Salinas Valley, and to submit a report to the Legislature on the scope and findings of the pilot projects, including recommendations. The State Water Board made 15 recommendations in 4 key areas to address the issues associated with nitrate contaminated groundwater. The key areas to address these issues are:

1. Providing safe drinking water.
3. Nitrogen tracking and reporting.
4. Protecting groundwater.

Expert Panel
Recommendation 14 of the State Water Board’s report to the Legislature was to convene a panel of experts to assess existing agricultural nitrate control programs and develop recommendations, as needed, to ensure that ongoing efforts are protective of groundwater supply quality. The State Water Board has contracted with the Irrigation Training and Research Center (ITRC), a center established within the BioResource and Agricultural Engineering Department of the California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo to assemble the expert panel of 8 persons. The Expert Panel members have been selected and presented with questions for their consideration. Information about the panel members and their charge is available on the ITRC website at http://www.itrc.org/001/swrcb.htm.

Project Tools and Information
Project information, including meeting notices, agendas, meeting minutes, and other pertinent material/documents will be posted online at http://www.itrc.org/001/swrcb.htm and at http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/agriculture/.

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Please direct any questions about this agenda to Johnny Gonzales at (916) 341-5510 or Ashley Zellmer at (916) 341-5911.
Schedule (some dates may be changed at a later date and all changes will be noticed).

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| May 5th-6th, 2014 Completed | Expert Panel Public Meeting #1              | San Luis Obispo  
5th: Irrigation Training and Research Center  
6th: Monday Club |
| May 7th, 2014 Completed        | Expert Panel Public Meeting #2              | SCE Energy Education Center, Tulare                                        |
| May 9th, 2014 Completed        | Expert Panel Public Meeting #3              | Cal/EPA Building Byron Sher Auditorium, Sacramento                        |
| June 9th, 2014 Completed       | Expert Panel Meeting #4                     | Irrigation Training and Research Center, San Luis Obispo                  |
| June 23th, 2014 Completed      | Expert Panel Meeting #5                     | Meeting Location: Irrigation Training and Research Center, San Luis Obispo  
Teleconference Location: Luhdorff & Scalmanini, Woodland                  |
| July 1st, 2014        | Expert Panel Meeting #6                     | Meeting Location: Irrigation Training and Research Center, San Luis Obispo  
Teleconference Location: BerryMex SA de CV, Mexico                        |
| July 7th, 2014        | Expert Panel Draft Report Released          | N/A                                                                      |
| July 7th – August 7th, 2014 | Public Comment Period on Expert Panel Draft Report | N/A                                                                      |
| July 18th, 2014       | Expert Panel Public Meeting #7 on Draft Report | Cal/EPA Building Byron Sher Auditorium, Sacramento                        |
| July 28th, 2014       | Advisory Committee Meeting                  | Cal/EPA Building Sierra Hearing Room, Sacramento                         |
| August 20th, 2014     | Expert Panel Meeting #8                     | Irrigation Training and Research Center, San Luis Obispo                  |
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