STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD BOARD MEETING MINUTES



TUESDAY, JUNE 17, 2025
COASTAL HEARING ROOM

Copies of the resolutions and water quality/water rights orders can be obtained by calling (916) 341-5600 or downloading from our website at http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/board decisions/adopted orders/.

The video of the Board Meeting is available to view on our website at: http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/board info/video.shtml

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Joaquin Esquivel called the meeting to order on Tuesday, June 17, 2025 at 9:02 a.m. with both a physical meeting location and remote location.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Chair E. Joaquin Esquivel; Vice Chair Dorene D'Adamo (virtual); Member Laurel Firestone; Member Nichole Morgan

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

Member Sean Maguire

EXECUTIVE STAFF PRESENT

Eric Oppenheimer, Executive Director Michael Lauffer, Chief Counsel Karen Mogus, Chief Deputy Director Erik Ekdahl, Chief Deputy Director Courtney Tyler, Clerk to the Board Marji Arjil, Assistant Clerk to the Board Beba Maletic, AGPA

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Instructions were given in regard to participating in the Remote Meeting.
- The Board meeting is being webcasted and recorded.

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BOARD MEETING

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

PUBLIC FORUM

(Approximately 30 minutes at the beginning of Board Meeting and any remaining speakers at the call of the Chair)

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

Ray Tahir, TECS Environmental

BOARD BUSINESS

1. The Board will consider adoption of the June 3, 2025 Board Meeting minutes.

Motion: Board Member Morgan moved to adopt the June 3, 2025 Board Meeting

minutes

Seconded by: Board Member Firestone **MOTION CARRIED** (June 17, 2025)

Aye: Chair Esquivel

Vice Chair D'Adamo Member Firestone Member Morgan

Nay: None

Absent: Member Maguire

Abstain: None

UNCONTESTED ITEMS

2. Consideration of proposed Resolution to adopt amendments to the Wastewater Operator Certification Program Fees in California Code of Regulations, title 23, division 3, chapter 26 (commencing with section 3670).

Staff Presenting: Keisha Kelley, Julie Osborn

Agenda Item

- <u>Draft Resolution</u> (Attachment A | Attachment 1 | Attachment 2)
- Change Sheet #1 | Attachment A Change Sheet #1

Motion: Board Member Morgan moved to adopt the proposed Resolution

Seconded by: Board Member Firestone

MOTION CARRIED (Resolution No. 2025-0018)

Aye: Chair Esquivel

Vice Chair D'Adamo Member Firestone Member Morgan

Nay: None

Absent: Member Maguire

Abstain: None

Commenters

None

3. Consideration of a proposed Resolution authorizing the Executive Director to apply for, accept, and/or amend a federal Clean Water Act section 319 Grant and to execute and amend contracts and grants to support the Nonpoint Source Program.

Staff Presenting: Jessica Leonard, Paul Hann

- Agenda Item
- Draft Resolution

Motion: Board Member Morgan moved to adopt the proposed Resolution

Seconded by: Board Member Firestone

MOTION CARRIED (Resolution No. 2025-0019)

Aye: Chair Esquivel

Vice Chair D'Adamo Member Firestone Member Morgan

Nay: None

Absent: Member Maguire

Abstain: None

Commenters

None

*Item 4 was removed from the uncontested calendar.

4. Consideration of a proposed Resolution adopting amendments to the Cross-Connection Control Policy Handbook.

Staff Presenting: Zachary Rounds, Nick McGann, Laureen Tan

- Public Notice
- Agenda Item
- Draft Resolution
- Proposed Draft Cross-Connection Control Policy Handbook
- Written Comments were due by noon on June 10, 2025

Motion: Board Member Morgan moved to adopt the proposed Resolution

Seconded by: Board Member Firestone

MOTION CARRIED (Resolution No. 2025-0020)

Aye: Chair Esquivel

Vice Chair D'Adamo Member Firestone Member Morgan

Nay: None

Absent: Member Maguire

Abstain: None

Commenters

Megan Murphy, California Municipal Utilities Association Tom Enslow, on behalf of the California State Pipe Trades Council

INFORMATIONAL ITEM

5. Informational Item on the 2025 Report of the Statewide Advisory Committee on Cooling Water Intake Structures.

Staff Presenting: Jonathan Dolan, Kat Faick, Lan Ma (California Air Resources Board), Christine Root (California Public Utilities Commission), Neil Millar (California Independent System Operator), Aleecia Gutierrez (California Energy Commission)

Agenda Item

No Action Taken

Los Angeles Department of Water and Power Panel

Katherine Rubin Tony Skourtas

Commenters

None

DIVISION OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

BOARD WORKSHOP

6. Board Workshop Presentation on the draft State Fiscal Year 2025-26 Clean Water State Revolving Fund Intended Use Plan with Supplemental Intended Use Plan for Complementary Funding from the Budget Acts of 2021, 2022, 2023, and 2024 and Propositions 1, 68, and 4 and Federal Fiscal Year 2025 Emerging Contaminants Capitalization Grant.

Staff Presenting: Lisa Hong, Michael Downey, Matt Wilson, Bridget Chase

- Public Notice
- Agenda Item
- <u>Draft 2025-26 Clean Water State Revolving Fund Intended Use Plan</u>
- Written comments are due by noon on June 30, 2025

No Action Taken

Commenters

Heidi Oriol, Sacramento Area Sewer District
Angela Islas, Central California Environmental Justice Network
Bob Gore, The Gualco Group, Inc.
Karen Cowan, California Stormwater Quality Association
Bill Zenoni, City of Wheatland
Paul Wood, City of Greenfield
Robert White, City of Greenfield
Mary Jane Griego, Olivehurst Public Utility
Jorge Garcia, City of Pismo Beach
Alexandra Gunnell, San Francisco Public Utilities Commission
Beth Olhasso, WateReuse CA
Debbie Mackey, Central Valley Clean Water Association
Erick Orellana, Community Water Center
Jared Voskuhl, California Association of Sanitation Agencies
Jasmine Diaz, Rural Community Assistance Corporation

INFORMATIONAL ITEM

7. Board Member Reports.

For full details on each Board Member report, please review the video at <u>Board Videos | California State Water Resources Control Board</u>. It begins at 3:12:52 on the video for the June 17, 2025 Board Meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

The Board adjourned at 2:50 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION

Closed Sessions are not open to the Public

ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS OFFICE/ DIVISION OF WATER RIGHTS

The Board may meet in closed session to deliberate on procedural or substantive decisions to be reached in the proceeding to consider the water right change petition filed by the California Department of Water Resources to add two new points of diversion and rediversion to water right permits 16478, 16479, 16481, and 16482 (Applications 5630, 14443, 14445A, and 17512, respectively) for the State Water Project associated with the Delta Conveyance Project. (This closed session is authorized under Government Code section 11126, subdivision (c)(3).)

The Board met in Closed Session on the above item.

The Board may meet in closed session to deliberate on procedural or substantive decisions to be reached in the proceeding to consider the petition for partial assignment of state-filed Application 25517, accompanying water right Application 25517X01, and petitions for release from priority of state-filed Applications 25513, 25514, 25517 (unassigned portion), 22235, 23780, and 23781 in favor of water right Application 25517X01 filed by the Sites Project Authority. (This closed session is authorized under Government Code section 11126, subdivision (c)(3).)

The Board met in Closed Session on the above item.

OFFICE OF CHIEF COUNSEL

The Board will meet in closed session to discuss the status of and receive legal advice concerning a complaint filed against the Board pursuant to Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 42 U.S.C. §§ 2000(d) *et seq.*, and the United States Environmental Protection Agency's nondiscrimination regulation, at 40 C.F.R. Part 7, pertaining to the Board's water quality standards setting in the San Francisco Bay/Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta watershed (EPA File No. 01RNO-23-R9). (This closed session is authorized under Government Code section 11126, subdivision (e).)

The Board did not meet in Closed Session on the above item.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION!!

Unless otherwise specified, submittal of written comments <u>must be received by</u> 12:00 p.m. (Noon) on June 12, 2025 and will not be accepted after that time.

Submittal of electronic PowerPoint presentations <u>must be received by</u> 12:00 p.m. (Noon) on June 12, 2025 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, 06/17/2025 BOARD MEETING - ITEM # (fill in bolded subject from appropriate item).

If you have questions about the agenda, or if you do not have internet access and need a telephone number to participate in the meeting, please contact the Clerk to the Board at (916) 341-5600 prior to the date of the meeting.

If you would like to request a copy of public comments submitted on an agenda item, please send a request to commentletters@waterboards.ca.gov, identifying the Board meeting date, and agenda item by name and number.

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*Items on the uncontested items calendar may be removed at the request of any Board Member or person. If an item is removed from the uncontested items calendar, it will only be voted on at this meeting if the Board accepts the staff recommendation for the agenda item. Otherwise, the item will be continued to a subsequent board meeting to allow input by interested persons.

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