

**STATE OF CALIFORNIA
CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
CENTRAL COAST REGION**

REGULAR MEETING OF October 22, 2004

Prepared on September 28, 2004

ITEM: 20

SUBJECT: 2005 Regional Board Meeting Schedule

SUMMARY

This staff report recommends adoption of new Board meeting dates for 2005.

DISCUSSION

The Board's off-site meeting in June in Avila Beach was helpful for staff and the Board to have the opportunity to discuss some issues that typically are not on regular Board meeting agendas, other than as status reports.

Most of meetings this past year have been very long (some too long). We have had to add meeting dates, in this current year, to the regular meeting calendar to accommodate the Board's business and fieldtrip/workshop needs. The primary trade-off of additional meetings is the benefit derived from a discussion opportunity vs. the amount of time required to set up such a meeting and for the Board and staff to participate. For a meeting in San Luis Obispo, staff travel time is not a factor, but for a meeting anywhere in the region, Board Member travel time is significant. For this reason, and because of our conference room working well for our meetings, we have had most of the Board's meetings in San Luis Obispo, with meetings also in Watsonville, Salinas, and Santa Barbara. Also, to minimize travel time for Board and staff, we have had several two-day meetings. This schedule makes the most of the time and effort to gather everyone together, rather than more frequent one-day meetings.

Proposed 2005 Regional Board Meetings

February 17,18	Salinas
March 24,25	San Luis Obispo
May 13	San Luis Obispo
<i>June 1 Off site</i>	San Luis Obispo
July 8	Watsonville
September 2	San Luis Obispo
October 21	Santa Barbara
December 2	San Luis Obispo

This calendar reflects the discussion of the Board at the last meeting regarding having a northern meeting in February, with a Thursday session to discuss timber regulation. March 24 is for a Thursday meeting for PG&E Diablo Canyon. The schedule does not show the Water Quality Coordinating Committee or WQCC meetings, as the State Board has not determined those dates (there is one October 25, 2004). The Regional Board Chair also is typically asked by the State Board Chair to attend two Chair meetings per year.

RECOMMENDATION

The Board should approve the Regional Board meeting schedule for 2005 and direct staff to secure appropriate meeting facilities.

ATTACHMENT

2005 Calendar with marked holidays (see reverse side).

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