



MINUTES OF THE CV-SALTS BOARD WORKSHOP

Friday, January 19, 2018
 Central Valley Regional Water Board
 11020 Sun Center Drive, Suite 200
 Rancho Cordova, CA 95670

FRIDAY, JANUARY 19, 2018

Chair Longley called to order a special workshop of the central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

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| Costantino, Jon | Kadara, Denise | Longley, Karl | Marcum, Dan |
| Schneider, Bob | | | |

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

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| Brar, Raji | Ramirez, Carmen | | |
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STATE BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

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STATE BOARD OFFICE OF CHIEF COUNSEL STAFF AND OTHER STAFF PRESENT

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| Lancaster, David | Pulupa, Patrick | | |
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STAFF PRESENT

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| Altevogt, Andrew | Chow, Bob | King, David | Meeks, Glenn |
| Busby, Robert | Coughlin, Gene | Lanfranchi, Kiran | Rodgers, Clay |
| Chilcott, Jeanne | Creedon, Pamela | Laputz, Adam | Walker, Kristine |

OTHERS PRESENT

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| Claiborne, Michael | Cozad, Daniel | Grow, Phoebe | Sowers, Michael |
| Clary, Jennifer | Dunham, Tess | Larson, Roberta | Steele, John |
| Cory, David | Gore, Bob | Moore, Tim | Tores, Brittany |
| Claiborne, Michael | Grovhoug, Tom | Ores, Debi | Webster, Debbie |

AGENDA ITEM 3- PUBLIC FORUM

No one came forward to speak on any matter that was not on the agenda

AGENDA ITEM 4

Workshop to Discuss Proposed Basin Plan Amendments to the Water Quality Control Plans for the Sacramento River and San Joaquin River Basins and the Tulare Lake Basin for a Central Valley-wide Salt and Nitrate Control Program

Jeanne Chilcott, Supervisor in the Planning Unit discussed the presentations schedule and outline for the day and then briefly discussed salt and nitrate issues in the Central Valley, a broad overview of the proposed Salt and Nitrate Control Program, the proposed Salt Control Program, including a conservative as well as an alternative permitting pathway, use of a Conditional Prohibition to ensure program implementation and the next steps to be taken to move the overall program forward.

Tess Dunham (Somach Simms and Dunn) discussed the proposed Nitrate Control Program, including individual and Management Zone permitting pathways, Early Action Plan and Alternative Compliance Project requirements and submittal timelines.

Tim Moore (Risk Sciences) discussed the proposed policies supporting the Salt and Nitrate Control Program, including the proposed Variance and Exceptions Policy, Drought and Conservation Policy, Offsets Policy and Secondary Maximum Contaminant Level (Secondary MCL) Policy.

A Panel representing Water Purveyors consisting of Elissa Callman of the Sacramento River Source Water Protection Program, Bonnie Star (Consultant), Yuan Liu of Contra Costa Water District and Karen Newton of Zone 7 Water District discussed suggested changes to the Secondary MCL Policy.

A Panel representing the Environmental Justice Community consisting of Debbie Ores of Community Water Center, Jennifer Clary of Clean Water Action and Michael Claiborne of the Leadership Council for Justice and Accountability discussed their concerns with the proposed Salt and Nitrate Control Program, it's supporting policies (offsets and exceptions policies) and the anti-degradation analysis for the program.

A Panel representing CV-SALTS Stakeholders consisting of David Corey (Central Valley Salinity Coalition (CVSC) Chair), Bobbie Larson of the California Association of Sanitation Agencies (CASA), Debbie Webster of CVCWA and J.P. Cativiela of Dairy Cares discussed their overall support of the proposed Salt and Nitrate Control Program and its supporting policies, but dairies still have some concerns over recognition of compliance with the program.

Public Comments:

Bob Gore of the California Independent Petroleum Association (CIPA) stated that his association fully supports the proposed Salt and Nitrate Control Program, but suggested that the program utilize the Central Coast (Region 3) Water Board's definition for assimilative capacity and groundwater zone.

John Steele of Davis requested that his housing community in Davis be moved into the Priority 1 category of the proposed Nitrate Control Program prioritization scheme.

The Workshop adjourned at 4:30 p.m.