

**CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL LABORATORY TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (ELTAC)
COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
JULY 13, 2017**

More information on the Environmental Laboratory Accreditation Program (ELAP) and previous ELTAC meetings can be found at <http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/elap>.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Andy Eaton called the meeting to order on July 13, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. at the California Environmental Protection Agency Headquarters, 1001 I Street, Sierra Hearing Room, Sacramento, CA 95814 and the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California – La Verne, Weymouth Room, 700 Moreno Avenue, La Verne, CA 91750.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

DELAPO: Christine Sotelo

Representatives (voting):

Mindy Boele
Jill Brodt
Stephen Clark
Huy Do
Andy Eaton
Miriam Ghabour
Anthony Gonzalez
Rich Gossett
David Kimbrough
Allison Mackenzie
Guilda Neshvad

State Regulatory Agency Employees (non-voting):

Bruce Burton
Gail Cho
Renee Spears

Alternates:

John Quinn (for Bruce LaBelle – non-voting)

Not Present:

Ronald Coss
Bruce Godfrey
Mark Koekemoer
Bruce LaBelle (non-voting)

OTHER STAFF PRESENT

Scribe: Katelyn McCarthy

ELAP: Maria Friedman, Maryam Khosravifard, Jacob Oaxaca

ANNOUNCEMENT

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

COMMITTEE MEETING

PUBLIC FORUM

Any member of the public may address and ask question of the Committee relating to any matter within ELTAC's scope provided the matter is not on the agenda, or pending before the Advisory Committee.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Call to Order/Roll Call

Public Comments on Items Not on Agenda

(The Committee will not take any action but will consider placing any item raised on the agenda at a future meeting.)

- *Josie Tellers – City of Davis – Requested future meeting items on the status of Assembly Bill 1438 and the Revision of ELTAC's By-Laws*

Approval of Amended Minutes from March 29, 2017 Meeting

Motion: Member Clark motioned to adopt the minutes.

Seconded by: Member Boele

MOTION CARRIED: July 13, 2017

Aye: Member Boele
Member Brodt
Member Clark
Member Do
Member Eaton
Member Ghabour
Member Gonzales
Member Gossett
Member Kimbrough
Member Mackenzie
Member Neshvad

Nay: None

Absent: Member Coss
Member Godfrey
Member Koekemoer

Abstain: None

DELAPO Report

- *DELAPO Christine Sotelo updated committee members on the program's progress since last meeting:*
 - *Assessor training through contractor NV5/Dade Moeller begins in August*
 - *August 1st Board Meeting item will ask the State Water Board (the State Board) to allocate funding for small laboratory training contract*
 - *ELAP is currently drafting preliminary text for new regulations*
 - *The State Board supported ELAP's proposal to accept third-party assessments to reduce backlog. ELAP is developing minimum qualifications.*

- *DELAPO Christine Sotelo presented informational items:*
 - *ELAP participated in Beach Water Quality Monitoring Workgroup to inquire if Agency Partners want the program to accredit for new method - quantitative polymerase chain reaction (QPCR). The workgroup believe it is premature at this time since the method is still changing.*
 - *US EPA asked ELAP to distribute clarifying information on detection limits for radionuclides. The draft announcement was included in meeting materials for committee comment.*
 - *Division of Drinking Water (DDW) gave an update informing the committee of their intent to revise regulations by lowering the detection limit for purposes of reporting (DLR) for perchlorate. DDW requested a workgroup of ELTAC members to assist in determining the community's capacity.*
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Fees Stakeholder Workgroup Update

Chairperson Andy Eaton gave committee members a summary presentation of the progress of the Fees Stakeholder Workgroup, including a summary of the nine preliminary proposals. No formal action was taken by the committee.

Proficiency Testing Workgroup Update

DELAPO Christine Sotelo gave committee members a summary presentation of the progress of the Proficiency Testing Workgroup, including a summary of the issues discussed. No formal action was taken by the committee.

Enforcement Implementation Discussion

Member Kimbrough discussed concerns with current proficiency testing requirements. No formal action was taken by the committee.

Draft Regulations

Maryam Khosravifard, ELAP, presented information on the timeline for development of new regulations and outlined the anticipated major changes. The committee discussed the proposed changes. A video of comments is available at: https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/drinking_water/certlic/labs/events_calendar.shtml. No formal action was taken by the committee.

Adjournment

The Committee adjourned at 4:30pm.