

# California Regional Water Quality Control Board

**Lahontan Region** 

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# **MINUTES**

November 28, 2007 (Barstow) November 29, 2007 (Lancaster)

# **Regular Meeting**

November 28, 2007 City Council Chambers 220 E. Mountain View Barstow. CA

Dr. Horne, Chair, called the meeting to order at 8:35 a.m. on November 28, 2007.

#### **BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

John Brissenden, Hope Valley Jack Clarke, Apple Valley Mike Dispenza, Palmdale Keith Dyas, Rosamond Amy Horne, Ph.D., Truckee Eric Sandel, Truckee Susan J. Van Dam, Barstow

# **BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT**

None

#### STATE BOARD LIAISON

Frances Spivy-Weber, Member, State Water Resources Control Board

## LEGAL COUNSEL

David Coupe, State Water Resources Control Board

#### STAFF PRESENT

Harold J. Singer, Executive Officer

Robert S. Dodds, Assistant Executive Officer

Chuck Curtis, Supervising WRCE

Cindi Mitton, Senior WRCE

Mike Plaziak, Supervising Eng. Geol.

Laurie Applegate, Executive Assistant

Lisa Dernbach, Senior Eng. Geol.

Katie Everett, MST Joe Koutsky, WRCE

Omar Pacheco, Eng. Geol.

## ADDRESSING THE BOARD

Frances Spivy-Weber, Member, SWRCB

Robert Conaway

Norman Diaz

Dave Gilbert and Eric Johnson, PG&E

Elaine Kearney

Billena Nelson McKerall

Mark Orr

Theresa Williamson

California Environmental Protection Agency

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# INTRODUCTIONS AND PRESENTATION BY FRANCES SPIVY-WEBER

Dr. Horne introduced Frances Spivy-Weber, State Board Member and liaison to the Lahontan Water Board. Ms. Spivy-Weber presented a letter on behalf of Linda S. Adams, Secretary for Environmental Protection for the California Environmental Protection Agency, to Robert Dodds, Chuck Curtis and Mike Plaziak. In the letter, Secretary Adams thanked Mr. Dodds, Mr. Curtis and Mr. Plaziak for their effort and dedication during and after the South Lake Tahoe Angora fire, for helping to rebuild the community and for protecting public health and the environment.

Ms. Spivy-Weber discussed the strategic planning effort.

## 1. PUBLIC FORUM

Norman Diaz commented that the Barstow community looks to the Lahontan Water Board for help, education and support in protecting water quality in the Barstow area. He noted the rapid growth in Barstow and stressed the need to conserve water due to the limited resources.

Mark Orr asked the Board to prevent future contamination of surface and ground water by refusing to allow the establishment of any business or industry whose materials, products or mode of operation pose a contaminant risk (handout of statement provided).

Dr. Horne noted that the Board plans to hold an assimilative capacity workshop at the February 2008 Board meeting.

Theresa Williamson asked the Board to remember their responsibility for protecting the community from companies that might pollute ground and surface waters.

Billena Nelson McKerall noted she grew up on a dairy farm at the corner of Mountain View and Highway 58 and purchased property in the area in July 2001. Ms. McKerall noted six months ago, her neighbor began watering the back of their property with something with a noxious odor causing Ms. McKerall's throat, eyes and lungs to burn and leaving her out-of-breath when completing simple chores. Ms. McKerall commented that she believes her health and the community's health is in danger. Mr. Singer noted the issue was within the Board's jurisdiction and suggested Ms. McKerall discuss the matter with Mike Plaziak. <sup>1</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Ms. McKerall began to discuss this issue during the public forum; however, she was advised by the Chair that it would be more appropriate to raise the issue during Items 4 and 7 (PG&E). Upon further questioning during discussion of Items 4 and 7, it was determined that Ms. McKerall's issue was not related to the PG&E project but likely from wastewater disposal practices from a neighboring dairy. The full discussion is under Public Forum for continuity.

## 2. MINUTES

# Minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 10-11, 2007 in South Lake Tahoe

Motion: Moved by Mr. Brissenden, seconded by Mr. Clarke and <u>unanimously</u> <u>carried</u> to adopt the October 10-11, 2007 minutes as written. Note: Board members Van Dam and Dispenza abstained.

Note: Items 4 and 7 were considered together and Items 3 and 6 were considered together. See Items 7 and 6 for discussion and Board action. Items 5 and 8 were removed from the agenda for consideration at a future meeting.

## AMENDED WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS

4. Pacific Gas and Electric Company – Desert View Dairy Land Treatment Unit Extraction System Optimization Project, San Bernardino County – Board Order No. R6V-2004-0034A1

(See Item 7)

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

7. Public Hearing – Resolution Certifying a Mitigated Negative Declaration for Pacific Gas and Electric Company Desert View Dairy Land Treatment Unit Extraction System Optimization Project, Hinkley, San Bernardino County

Dr. Horne opened the public hearing.

Chuck Curtis, Supervising WRCE, discussed the public notification process for Items 3/6 and 4/7 and commented that the legal requirements for noticing had been met.

Joe Koutsky gave the staff presentation, discussed comments received and late revisions. Mr. Koutsky recommended the Board adopt the Resolution with the late revisions and adopt the amended waste discharge requirements with the late revisions. Mr. Koutsky, Mr. Singer, and Mr. Curtis answered questions from the Board.

Mr. Coupe suggested additional changes to the late revision sheets for Items 4 and 7.

Mr. Singer noted that staff plans to bring a total site cleanup plan to the Board in the future. A public workshop will be held in Hinkley prior to bringing the plan to the Board.

Addressing the Board: Eric Johnson, PG&E project manager; Norman Diaz, Mark Orr (handout); Robert Conaway; and Billena Nelson McKerall. Note: For concerns raised by Ms. McKerall, see Item 1 (Public Forum).

There being no further testimony, Dr. Horne closed the public hearing and Board members discussed the project.

Dr. Horne thanked the Hinkley community for their participation, for safeguarding their water and for reminding the Board of their responsibilities. Dr. Horne commented that she hoped staff would improve public notification for future items and public workshops.

- Motion for Item 7: Moved by Mr. Dyas, seconded by Mr. Sandel and unanimously carried to adopt the Resolution certifying the mitigated negative declaration with the changes in the late revision sheet and additional change to the late revision sheet made by Mr. Coupe.
- Motion for Item 4: Moved by Mr. Clarke, seconded by Mrs. Van Dam and unanimously carried to adopt the amended waste discharge requirements with the changes in the late revision sheet and with the additional change to the late revision sheet made by Mr. Coupe.

# REVISED WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS

3. Pacific Gas and Electric Company – Revised Central Area In-situ Remediation Pilot Study Project, San Bernardino County

(See Item 6)

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

6. Public Hearing – Resolution Certifying a Subsequent Mitigated Negative Declaration for Pacific Gas and Electric Company's Revised Central Area In-situ Remediation Pilot Study Project, San Bernardino County

Dr. Horne opened the public hearing.

Lisa Dernbach gave the staff presentation, discussed comments received and late revisions. Ms. Dernbach recommended the Board adopt the Resolution with the late revisions and adopt the revised waste discharge requirements with the late revisions. Ms. Dernbach and Mr. Curtis answered questions from the Board.

Mr. Coupe suggested additional changes to the late revision sheet for Item 3.

Addressing the Board: Mark Orr (handout) and Norman Diaz.

Mr. Singer discussed prop 65 notification. He noted that the Board goes through the appropriate public notification process when adopting waste discharge requirements and that a separate prop 65 notification would not be appropriate or necessary.

In response to concerns raised by Mr. Orr and Mr. Diaz about the injection of ethanol by PG&E and the safety of water at the school, Mr. Brissenden suggested that PG&E sample for ethanol at the school. Dave Gilbert, Director of the PG&E Remediation Program, noted that PG&E is voluntarily monitoring the school wells and offered to include additional testing for ethanol and remediation byproducts in the monitoring program at the school wells.

There being no further testimony, Dr. Horne closed the public hearing and Board members discussed the project.

Dr. Horne assured the Hinkley residents that the Board heard their concerns regarding the project. She noted the project is designed to clean up the problem, has been tested with a contingency plan in place and that PG&E will stop the project if problems are encountered. Dr. Horne noted she was comfortable with the amount of redundancy and safeguards built into the project.

- Motion for Item 6: Moved by Mr. Clarke, seconded by Mr. Brissenden and unanimously carried to adopt the Resolution certifying the mitigated negative declaration with the changes in the late revision sheet.
- Motion for Item 3: Moved by Mr. Clarke, seconded by Mr. Brissenden and unanimously carried to adopt the revised waste discharge requirements with the changes in the late revision sheet and with the additional changes to the late revision sheet suggested by Mr. Coupe.

Mr. Brissenden commented that he was pleased that PG&E offered to perform additional testing for ethanol at the school wells.

# 1. PUBLIC FORUM, Continued

Elaine Kearney, expressed concern regarding the chromium groundwater plume in Hinkley and asked that wells outside of the plume be monitored. She voiced concern regarding the project's effect on her home's low water pressure and the project's estimated 60-90 year completion date.

Dr. Horne suggested that Ms. Kearney discuss her concerns with Mike Plaziak and be placed on the appropriate mailing lists for future notification of PG&E items to come before the Board.

Mr. Singer commented that PG&E monitors wells outside of the plume area. He also noted that the 60-90 year estimate was theoretical. Staff plans to hold an informal workshop in Hinkley within the year regarding long-term plans for clean up.

#### **ENFORCEMENT ACTION**

5. Public Hearing – Consideration of an Administrative Civil Liability Order for the City of Barstow for the Violation of Waste Discharge Prohibitions Specified by the Water Quality Control Plan for the Lahontan Region and for the Violation of Board Order No. 6-94-26, for the Unauthorized Discharge of Untreated Wastewater to Half Way Wash and the Mojave River on May 20 and 21, 2006, Barstow, San Bernardino County

Note: This item was removed from the agenda for consideration at a future meeting.

## OTHER BUSINESS

8. Resolution Authorizing the Executive Officer to Sign the Record of Decision/Remedial Action Plan for Armitage Field Operable Unit, China Lake Naval Air Weapons Station, China Lake, Kern County

Note: This item was removed from the agenda for consideration at a future meeting.

The Board took a lunch break and reconvened at 1:30 p.m.

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

# 9. Executive Officer's Report

Mr. Singer discussed items from the November 2007 written report.

Mr. Singer discussed Item 4 from the Executive Officer's Report (statewide permits). Board members commented that they would like to be briefed by staff on statewide permits and make policy comments to the State Water Board as needed.

Mr. Singer discussed a 13267 letter, cleanup and abatement order and cease and desist order issued to the City of Barstow and noted staff will provide a status report in connection with the February or April Board meeting.

The January 2008 Board meeting is scheduled for the northern part of the region. Mr. Singer noted the main item for the January meeting is an administrative civil liability complaint. If the item is postponed, the January meeting will be cancelled. The February 13-14, 2008 meeting will likely be held in Barstow or Victorville.

Lahontan staff wrote a letter to the Sierra Nevada Conservancy supporting a Placer County request for grant funding for the Squaw Valley Park Fuel Load Reduction Project.

## 10. CLOSED SESSION

The Board met in closed session from 2:10 p.m. to 2:50 p.m. to discuss items 10b and 10j. The Board reconvened in open session at 2:51 p.m. Dr. Horne noted the meeting would continue at the Lancaster City Council Chambers at 8:30 a.m. on November 29, 2007. The Barstow meeting recessed at 2:52 p.m.

# Regular Meeting, continued

November 29, 2007 City Council Chambers 44933 Fern Avenue Lancaster, CA 93534

### **BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

## **BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT**

John Brissenden, Hope Valley
Jack Clarke, Apple Valley
Mike Dispenza, Palmdale (arrived at 10:00 a.m.)
Keith Dyas, Rosamond (arrived at 10:00 a.m.)
Amy Horne, Ph.D., Truckee
Eric Sandel, Truckee
Susan J. Van Dam, Barstow

## STATE BOARD LIAISON

None

Art Baggett, Member, State Water Resources Control Board

## **LEGAL COUNSEL**

David Coupe, State Water Resources Control Board Steven H. Blum, State Water Resources Control Board

## STAFF PRESENT

Harold J. Singer, Executive Officer

Robert S. Dodds, Assistant Executive Officer

Chuck Curtis, Supervising WRCE

Lauri Kemper, Supervising WRCE

Cindi Mitton, Senior WRCE

Mike Plaziak, Supervising Eng. Geologist

Laurie Applegate, Executive Assistant

Katie Everett, MST

Curt Shifrer, WRCE Mike Coony, WRCE

Scott Ferguson, Senior WRCE

Mary Fiore-Wagner, Environmental Scientist

Alan Miller, Senior WRCE

Judith Unsicker, Staff Environmental Scientist

Mack Hakakian, Eng. Geologist

#### ADDRESSING THE BOARD

Art Baggett, Member, State Water Resources Control Board Nicole Granquist, County Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County Steve Maguin, County Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County Eugene B. Nebeker, Ph.D., Nebeker Ranch Ray Tremblay, County Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County Dr. Horne called the meeting to order at 8:45 a.m. on November 29, 2007. Board members present: John Brissenden, Jack Clarke, Amy Horne, Eric Sandel, Susan Van Dam. Board members absent: Mike Dispenza and Keith Dyas (Mr. Dispenza and Mr. Dyas joined the Board for the open session at 10:00 a.m.)

Dr. Horne noted the Board would be meeting in closed session to discuss Items 11e and 11f.

# 11. CLOSED SESSION

Board members met in closed session from 8:45 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. to discuss items 11e and 11f. The Board reconvened in open session at 9:30 a.m. and took a break until 10:00 a.m.

Note: Keith Dyas did not participate in the closed session because of his employment with Edwards Air Force Base. Mike Dispenza did not participate in the closed session to avoid an appearance of bias or potential conflict of interest because of his prior four years of service as a Board Member for County Sanitation District 20 of Los Angeles County. Mr. Dispenza's service with the District concluded in October 2007.

# Regular Meeting, continued 10:00 a.m., November 29, 2007

Note: Board members Dispenza and Dyas joined the Board at 10:00 a.m.

## INTRODUCTIONS AND PRESENTATION BY ART BAGGETT

Dr. Horne introduced Art Baggett, State Board Member and liaison to the Lahontan Water Board. Mr. Baggett welcomed Mike Dispenza to the Board and thanked John Brissenden for his public service as a Board member. Mr. Baggett presented a letter on behalf of Linda S. Adams, Secretary for Environmental Protection for the California Environmental Protection Agency, to Lauri Kemper, Supervising WRCE in the Board's South Lake Tahoe office. In the letter, Secretary Adams thanked Ms. Kemper for her effort and dedication during and after the South Lake Tahoe Angora fire, for helping to rebuild the community and for protecting public health and the environment.

Mr. Baggett gave an update of issues before the State Water Board.

# 12. PUBLIC FORUM

No one addressed the Board during the Public Forum.

# ENFORCEMENT ACTION – General Information Regarding Items 13, 14 and 15

Note: Keith Dyas did not participate in Items 13, 14 and 15 because of his employment with Edwards Air Force Base. Mike Dispenza did not participate in Items 13, 14 and 15 to avoid an appearance of bias or potential conflict of interest because of his prior four years of service as a Board Member for County Sanitation District 20 of

Los Angeles County. Mr. Dispenza noted his service with the District concluded in October 2007.

Dr. Horne opened the public hearing and administered the oath.

Dr. Horne noted the Board would be hearing testimony on a revised proposed settlement and revised cease and desist orders.

Dr. Horne introduced the Board's advisory team: David Coupe, Counsel; Lauri Kemper, Supervising Water Resources Control Engineer; and Alan Miller, Senior Water Resource Control Engineer. Dr. Horne also introduced the prosecution team: Steven H. Blum, Counsel; and Harold Singer, Executive Officer. Ms. Kemper and Mr. Miller joined the Board on the dais.

One presentation was given for Items 13-15. See item 15 for discussion and Board action.

13. Consideration of a Settlement for Claims of Administrative Civil Liability through the Adoption of an Administrative Civil Liability Order for: County Sanitation District No. 14 of Los Angeles County – Lancaster Water Reclamation Plant, for Violation of Waste Discharge Requirements (Board Order No. R6V-2002-053 and Cease and Desist Order (Board Order No. R6V-2004-0038; and County Sanitation District No. 20 of Los Angeles County – Palmdale Water Reclamation Plant, for Violation of Waste Discharge Requirements (Board Order Nos. 6-89-31, 6-93-18 and 6-00-57) and Cease and Desist Order (Board Order No. R6V-2004-0039)

See Item 15.

14. Public Hearing – Consideration of Amended Cease and Desist Order No. R6V-2004-0038-A01 for County Sanitation District No. 14 of Los Angeles County – Lancaster Water Reclamation Plant for Discharge and Threatened Discharge of Waste in Violation of Waste Discharge Requirements Contained in Board Order No. R6V-2002-053.

See Item 15.

15. Public Hearing – Consideration of Amended Cease and Desist Order No. R6V-2004-0039-A01 for County Sanitation District No. 20 of Los Angeles County – Palmdale Water Reclamation Plant for Discharge and Threatened Discharge of Waste in Violation of Waste Discharge Requirements Contained in Board Order No. 6-00-057.

David Coupe discussed proposed changes to the administrative civil liability order. Mr. Coupe noted that the advisory team consulted with the prosecution team and both teams agreed on the changes as part of the proposed administrative civil liability order. Mr. Coupe noted the Board had discretion regarding approval of the changes. Mr. Blum commented that the prosecution team supported the changes outlined by Mr. Coupe. Steve Maguin, County Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County, commented that the Districts' accepted the changes outlined by Mr. Coupe.

Harold Singer gave the staff presentation on behalf of the prosecution team and outlined the changes made in the order since the Board heard the presentation in May 2007. Mr. Singer recommended the Board ratify the settlement by adopting the proposed administrative civil liability order and the two proposed cease and desist orders.

Steve Maguin, County Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County, asked the Board to approve the settlement.

Dr. Horne noted the Board received late comments from the Palmdale Water District and the Los Angeles County Department of Public Works. The comment letters were not accepted into the record because they arrived after the written comment period closed.

Eugene Nebeker, Ph.D., noted he was representing himself and was spokesman for the Antelope Valley Groundwater Agreement Association (AGWA). Dr. Nebeker outlined what he believed was wrong with the settlement, why he felt water quality was not being protected, and outlined a community settlement committee option. Dr. Nebeker urged the Board to not approve the settlement, to not go to court and to direct the Board's Executive Officer to acknowledge and possibly participate in the community settlement process outlined in his oral presentation.<sup>2</sup>

Steven Blum, counsel for the prosecution team, gave comments in rebuttal to those made by Dr. Nebeker during his oral presentation.

Board members asked questions of the advisory team. Mr. Singer answered questions posed by members of the advisory team.

There being no further testimony, Dr. Horne closed the public hearing.

Mr. Clarke commented that he had seen a positive change in the attitude at the Sanitation District, a change he attributed to the new general manager, Steve Maguin. Mr. Clarke noted it was time for a fresh start and a positive direction. Mr. Clarke voiced full support of the settlement.

Dr. Nebeker asked to hand out written material to the Board members in connection with his oral testimony but was advised by David Coupe, counsel for the advisory team, that the written comment period had closed and therefore Dr. Nebeker's written handout could not be accepted. Dr. Nebeker objected to Mr. Coupe's advice and requested a ruling from the Chair. Mr. Coupe advised Dr. Horne, Chair, that she had the discretion to decide whether to allow the written handout or not; however, he noted the written comment period had closed. Dr. Horne decided to allow the handout and it was passed out to the Board. Nicole Granquist, counsel for Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts No. 14 and 20 and Steven Blum, counsel for the prosecution team, objected to accepting Dr. Nebeker's written handout because the deadline for written comments had closed. Ms. Granquist and Mr. Blum noted that they would have no objection to Dr. Nebeker reading the submittal into the record as an oral presentation. Dr. Horne then advised Dr. Nebeker that his written handout would not be accepted into the record; however, he would be allowed to read the information from his written handout into the record. The written handout was collected from the Board members and returned to Dr. Nebeker at the end of his oral presentation. Dr. Nebeker's written handout was not accepted into the written record.

Mr. Sandel thanked staff for their hard work and voiced his support of the settlement.

Mr. Brissenden commented that he too had seen a positive change in the attitude at the Sanitation District and encouraged the District to continue in that direction. Mr. Brissenden commended all of the parties for their dedication and commitment.

Dr. Horne commented that the settlement package served many needs. She noted it settled long standing litigation and resolved past violations. She commented that the Districts had made significant investments and progress towards multi-year projects that would eliminate future violations, and noted the Board retained its authority to enforce future violations. She noted the settlement sets time schedules for implementation of multi-year projects that have been found reasonable by an independent technical consultant and contributes significant dollars towards reuse water infrastructure. Dr. Horne also noted the cultural shift on the part of the District. She commented that the residents of the Antelope Valley would benefit with a new direction for water use in the Valley toward more reuse and recycling. Dr. Horne reminded the Board that five affirmative votes were needed to accept the settlement package with the revised cease and desist orders and that the vote would be by roll call.

• Motion for Items 13, 14 and 15: Moved by Mr. Clarke and seconded by Mr. Sandel to approve Items 13, 14 and 15, the cease and desist orders and the settlement, with the revisions recommended by Mr. Coupe and accepted by the prosecution team and staff. Voting yes: Mr. Brissenden, Mrs. Van Dam, Mr. Sandel, Mr. Clarke and Dr. Horne. Voting no: None. Recused: Mr. Dispenza and Mr. Dyas. Motion carried 5-0.

## REVISED WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS

16. Mojave-Rosamond Class III Landfill, Kern County – Board Order No. 6-95-117

Mr. Singer drew the Board's attention to a late revision sheet for Item 16. He noted Board staff informed Kern County staff of the late revisions and County staff had no objections to the late revisions or the revised waste discharge requirements.

• <u>Motion</u>: Moved by Mr. Dyas, seconded by Mr. Clarke and <u>unanimously carried</u> to adopt the revised waste discharge requirements with the changes in the late revision sheet.

#### PLANS AND POLICIES

17. Public Hearing – Consideration of Basin Plan Amendments to Revise Standards for Surface Waters of the Antelope Hydrologic Unit and a Related Environmental Document

Dr. Horne opened the public hearing.

Mr. Dyas declared a conflict of interest because the proposed Basin Plan amendments affect the surface waters and ground waters of his employer, Edwards Air Force Base.

Dr. Judith Unsicker gave the staff presentation and recommended adoption of the Resolution approving the substitute environmental document and Basin Plan amendments.

Ray Tremblay, Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts No. 14 and 20 of Los Angeles County, supported the Basin Plan amendment.

There being no further testimony, Dr. Horne closed the public hearing.

• Motion: Moved by Mr. Clarke, seconded by Mr. Brissenden and unanimously carried to adopt the Resolution as proposed approving the substitute environmental document and adopting the Basin Plan amendments. Note: Board member Dyas did not vote due to a conflict of interest.

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

# 18. Reports by Chair and Board Members

Mr. Dyas noted he enjoyed working with Mr. Brissenden and that he would be missed.

Mr. Clarke commented that it was great working with Mr. Brissenden and thanked him for giving him a different perspective on some of the issues the Board considered.

Dr. Horne reminded the Board of the Water Quality Coordinating Committee meeting to be held in Sacramento on December 10-11, 2007.

Dr. Horne asked for Board member volunteers to take the lead for the following issues:

Issue	Board Member Lead(s)
Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs)	Eric Sandel
Ground water Issues (3 areas)	
Policy regarding permit decisions/how much waste can go to ground water	Jack Clarke
2) Clean up goals for ground water	Jack Clarke
3) Aquifer storage	Jack Clarke, Keith Dyas and Mike Dispenza
Enforcement	To be determined
Leviathan Mine	To be determined

Mr. Brissenden invited Board members to the Sierra Nevada Conservancy Symposium to be held Wednesday, December 5, 2007 in Nevada City. The symposium will look at the state of the Sierra.

Mr. Brissenden thanked Board staff for their dedication and support. He noted he looked forward to working with the Board and staff in other capacities, including the Sierra Nevada Conservancy. Mr. Brissenden thanked his fellow Board members for their support.

Adopted: February 13, 2008

# 19. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 12:05 p.m.

Prepared by:

Laurie Applegate, Executive Assistant