

Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board

Revised Meeting Minutes

Los Angeles Water Board Meeting
June 12, 2014

Metropolitan Water District of Southern California
(Board Room)
700 North Alameda Street
Los Angeles, California 90013

The meeting was called to Order by Chair Charles Stringer at 9:13 am.

Roll Call.

Board Members Present: Maria Camacho, Fran Diamond, Madelyn Glickfeld, Charles Stringer, and Irma Muñoz

Board Members Absent: Lawrence Yee, and Maria Mehranian.

Staff Present: Samuel Unger, Deborah Smith, Paula Rasmussen, Frances McChesney, Jennifer Fordyce, Nicole Kuenzi, Ronji Moffett, Geraldo Rabelo, Susana Lagudis, David Hung, Michael Lyons, Cris Morris, Cassandra Owens, Elizabeth Erickson, Jau Ren Chen, Renee Purdy, Rebecca Chou, Dr. Yue Rong, Dr. Paul Cho

Individuals whose Names Appear on the Sign-In Sheet and/or Speaker Cards

Ms. Ann Heil, L.A. County Sanitation District	Ms. Kirsten James, Heal the Bay
Ms. Christina Walsh, CleanupRocketdyne.org	Mr. Christian Kiillkkaa, CNPS SSFL CAG
Mr. Joe Gully, L.A. County Sanitation Districts	Mr. Peter Shallenbarger, Heal the Bay
Mr. Bruce Hammamoto, L.A. County Department of Public Works	Ms. Esther Diaz, Los Angeles County Department of Public Works
Dr. Cathy Chang, Water Replenishment District of southern California	Mr. Ted Johnson, Water Replenishment District of Southern California
Ms. Adriana Figueroa, City of Norwalk	Mr. Norman Dupont, Richards, Watson, Gershon
Mr. Stuart Strong, Defense Logistics Agency	Ms. Mary Jane McIntosh, Norwalk Tank Farm Restoration

2. Order of Agenda.

Executive Officer requests to take item 14 before item 13.

3. Approval of draft meeting minutes for the May 8, 2014 Board meeting.

MOTION: To approve the May 8, 2014 draft meeting Minutes.

First: Board member Fran Diamond

Second: Board member Maria Camacho

Vote: Approved by unanimous vote

Item 4. Board Member Communications.

There was no communication that constituted disclosure.

Uncontested Items calendar:

The EO announced the Uncontested items calendar as follows: Items 5, 6, 7 and 8.

*5. Honeywell International, Inc. (CA0062162)

*6. Defense Logistics Agency (CA0060496)

*7. Hollywood Park Land Company, LLC (CA0064211)

*8. Port of Los Angeles, Berth 156 (R4-2011-0198)

MOTION: To approve as items 5, 6, 7, and 8.

First: Board member Maria Camacho

Second: Vice Chair Irma Muñoz

Vote: Approved by unanimous vote.

Item 9. Executive Officer's Report. *(Presented by Executive Officer, Samuel Unger)*

Report and Addendum Report was given to the Board. The Report was posted on the Board's website:

<http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/losangeles>

10. Update from State Board. *There was no Report from State Board during this meeting.*

11. Public Forum

- Ms. Esther Diaz, Los Angeles County Department of Public Works
- Ms. Gillian Mintier, Los Angeles County Department of Public Works
- Ms. Christina Walsh, CleanupRockeydyne.Org **(Chair Stringer exited the room excusing himself for this speaker/matter)*
- Mr. Christian Kiillkkaa, California Native Plant Society, SSFL CAG

**Chair Stringer returned to the room following the public Forum.*

Item 12. Consideration of tentative Waste Discharge Requirements and Water Recycling Requirements for the Leo Vander Lans Water Treatment Facility and the Alamitos Barrier Recycled Water Project.

Staff Report was presented by Ms. Cris Morris (*During Ms. Morris' presentation, she made, but was not limited to the following points*):

- Discussed the comments that were received, as well as the concerns of the commenters
- The effective change to the permit is October 1, 2014 after startup tests is completed
- Discussed the proposed changes to the existing Order
- The County Sanitation District and the Water Replenishment district asked the Regional Board to eliminate reference to "waste" and "effluent"
- Language was modified to replace "waste" and "effluent" where possible
- Removed limits duplicated by CDPH
- Retained limits from the Basin Plan
- Added requirement to confirm groundwater concentrations are consistent with the Salt and Nutrient Management Plan model predictions if required by the Executive Officer

Speakers:

- Ms. Cathy Chang, and Mr. Ted Johnson, representing the Water Replenishment District of Southern California (*Expressed that in 2005 they were using 50 percent drinking water, and now plan to use 100 percent recycled water and remove drinking water use. The district serves 143 cities at a service area of 420 square miles. Gave background history*)
- Mr. Peter Shallenbarger, Heal the Bay (in support)
- Ms. Ann Heil, LA County Sanitation Districts (in support)

Board member concerns/comment:

- Asked clarification as to whether or not the start-up testing has started?
- What would it be a reason for not having a concentration trigger?
- Wouldn't a concentration trigger provide an assurance?
- Why is that you are not required to have a trigger?
- Will there be a chance to reopen the permit if the Salt and Nutrient Plan is adopted?

Ms. Cris Morris' response to the trigger concern was that taking the whole system down and bringing it back up is a lot more complicated than tweaking it.

Chief Deputy Executive Officer Deborah Smith gave clarification that one of the goals of this system is to assure that there are no NDMA problems. She also clarified that in the last 5 years, there has only been one exceedance.

MOTION: To adopt the permit with the Change sheet as proposed by staff.

First: Board member Madelyn Glickfeld

Second: Board member Fran Diamond

Vote: Approved unanimously

14. Status Report on the Defense Fuel Support Norwalk Projects in the City of Norwalk (Site Cleanup Project)

Staff Report was given by Dr. Paul Cho, Site Cleanup program. Mr. Cho discussed the following:

- Petroleum hydrocarbons in wells
- Soil vapor monitoring results to date are below screening levels
- Site history
- Discussed the current remediation system
- Soil vapor monitoring results to date are below screening levels
- Public Participation includes Fact Sheets, media, and public meetings

Mr. Stuart Strong, Defense Logistics Agency, and Ms. Mary Jane McIntosh, Norwalk Tank Farm Advisory Board expressed that the Water Board has partnered with them, and expressed their appreciation to the Water Board in so doing.

Item 13. Informational update on progress towards implementation of the Santa Monica Bay Comprehensive Monitoring Program.

Staff report was made by Mr. Tom Ford, Executive Director of the Santa Monica bay Restoration Plan. *(Mr. Ford's presentation consisted of, but was not limited to the following):*

- State of the Bay Reporting
- Comprehensive Monitoring plan include soft bottom, hard bottom, and pelagic
- Discussed the progress that was made in 2013
- Discussed kelp restoration and monitoring in Santa Monica Bay
- Challenges are to collect data from habitat, to obtain additional funding including SEPs,, and to encourage participation from stakeholders
- Next Steps include encouraging more Stakeholder participation, and to establish a "funding pool" to collectively meet the funding needs
- Currently working with SMBRC Technical Advisory Committee to update the Comprehensive Monitoring Plan

Item 15. UCLA Institute of the Environment and Sustainability Practicum Class Presentation on Groundwater Containment Total Mass Estimation in Los Angeles West Coast Basin.

Seven students made a presentation on results of a project goal that was to estimate the total mass of Volatile Organic Compounds in the Los Angeles Basins.

The meeting adjourned at 3:20 pm. (For more detailed information on any matter at our Meetings, you may contact Ronji Moffett at (213) 576-6612 or ronji.moffett@waterboards.ca.gov, and she may provide an Electronic copy of the transcript or audio, if available.)

Written and submitted by:  then finalized on

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