Chair Muñoz called the special board meeting to order at 9:04 a.m.

**Item 1 – Roll Call**

**Board Members Present:** Cynthia Guzmán, Irma Muñoz, James Stahl, Charles Stringer and Lawrence Yee

**Staff Present:** Renee Purdy, Jenny Newman, Hugh Marley, Helen Rowe, Gerardo Rabelo, Khalid Abdullah, Tamarin Austin, Sophie Froelich, Adriana Nuñez, Milasol Gaslan, LB Nye, Ivar Ridgeway, Erum Razzak, Rebecca Christmann, Susana Vargas, Megan Kung, Alex Carlos, Angineh Shahnazarian and Alireza Rahmani

**Item 2 - The Los Angeles Water Board will discuss the timing of the Board’s issuance of the Regional Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) Permit for Los Angeles and Ventura Counties, considering, in particular, the COVID-19 emergency and upcoming TMDL implementation deadlines. Permittees and other stakeholders are invited to comment on the timing of permit issuance. The Board will provide input to staff on the timing of permit issuance.**

Board members provided opening remarks concerning the timing of the issuance of the Regional MS4 Permit, and then opened the floor to the public to address Item 2. Speakers included:

- Paul Alva, County of Los Angeles
- Matt Frary, LA County Flood Control District
- Waqas Rehman, First District, County of Los Angeles Board of Supervisors
- Arne Anselm, Ventura County Stormwater Quality Management Program (on behalf of Ventura County MS4 Permittees)
Renee Purdy, Executive Officer, and Jenny Newman, Assistant Executive Officer of the Surface Water Division, then provided a presentation addressing key issues affecting the timing of the adoption of the Regional MS4 Permit and a recommendation regarding the timing of the Board’s consideration of the Regional MS4 Permit.

Legal counsel Sophie Froelich announced the Board was going into closed session to discuss items 3.b, 3.c, 3.d, 3.j, 3.l, 3.m, 3.n, 3.o, 3.p, and 3.q on the agenda.
Executive Officer Renee Purdy asked the Board to direct Staff to:

- finalize and distribute the Tentative Regional MS4 Permit, including the fact sheet and the economic considerations, within the next 4-6 weeks;
- provide a 60-day comment period on the Tentative Regional MS4 Permit;
- continue engagement with stakeholders through workshops during the comment period; and
- revisit the timing of permit adoption after the conclusion of the comment period.

Chair Muñoz suggested that the Board consider waiting until the July 9, 2020 Board meeting to make a recommendation to Staff. Chair Muñoz and Board members Yee, Stringer, Stahl, and Guzmán discussed whether waiting a week was necessary. After discussion, the Board gave direction to staff to proceed with the Executive Officer's recommendation.

The meeting adjourned at 2:50 p.m. (For more detailed information on any matter at our meetings, you may contact Helen Rowe at (213) 576-6612 or email at: Helen.Rowe@waterboards.ca.gov, and she may provide an electronic copy of the transcript or audio, if available.)

Written and submitted by Helen Rowe, then finalized on September 11, 2020

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