



# Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board

# Meeting Minutes

# Thursday, July 8, 2021

# 9:00 a.m.

# No Physical Meeting Location

Authorized by and in furtherance of Executive Orders <u>N-29-20</u> and <u>N-33-20</u>

July 8, 2021

Chair Yee called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m.

Chair Yee explained the process for participation in the virtual meeting, noting that for those who only want to listen or watch the meeting, the Board's customary webcast was available and that the Board has Spanish translation services available through the Zoom platform for those who want to listen or participate in the meeting in Spanish. He provided instructions on how to join the Zoom meeting for those wishing to provide comments during the public forum or on an agenda item.

### Item 1 – Roll Call

<u>Board Members Present</u>: Cynthia Guzmán, Michael Méndez, Irma Muñoz, David Nahai, James Stahl, Charles Stringer and Lawrence Yee

<u>Staff Present</u>: Renee Purdy, Jenny Newman, Hugh Marley, Helen Rowe, Gerardo Rabelo, Khalid Abdullah, Tamarin Austin, Sophie Froelich, Adriana Nuñez, Jennifer Fordyce, Milasol Gaslan, LB Nye, Cris Morris, Russ Colby, Yue Rong, Arthur Heath, Megan Kung, Rebecca Christmann, Jeong-Hee Lim, Susana Lagudis, Veronica Cuevas, Xiaofei Cui, Alireza Rahmani, Susana Vargas, Angineh Shahnazarian, Ivar Ridgeway, and Erum Razzak

### Item 2 – Order of Agenda

The EO noted there would be no State Board Member Liaison report (Item 6). The EO also noted the proposed schedule for Item 10, the Public Hearing on the Revised Tentative Regional MS4 Permit. Item 10 was anticipated to begin in the mid- to late morning and would continue after lunch and closed session. The Board also anticipated taking a break from approximately 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. before reconvening at 6 p.m. for the evening portion of the public hearing. The hearing on Item 10 would then be continued to Friday, July 9, starting at 9 a.m.

LAWRENCE YEE, CHAIR | RENEE PURDY, EXECUTIVE OFFICER

# Item 3 – Approval of Draft Meeting Minutes for the June 10, 2021 Board Meeting

MOTION: Board member Stringer made a motion to approve the June 10, 2021 draft meeting minutes.

Seconded by: Board member Stahl Motion carried: Approved by roll call vote.

Cynthia Guzmán – Yea Michael Méndez - Yea Irma Muñoz – Yea David Nahai - Yea James Stahl – Yea Charles Stringer - Yea Lawrence Yee – Yea

# Item 4 – Board Member Communications

a. Ex Parte Disclosure (Board Members will identify any discussions they may have had requiring disclosure pursuant to Government Code section 11430.40.)

There were no ex parte communications disclosures.

b. Board Member Reports (The Board Members may discuss communications, correspondence, or other items of general interest relating to matters within the Board's jurisdiction.)

Vice Chair Guzmán reported on the following:

The California Environmental Justice Alliance recently released their environmental justice agency assessment. Vice Chair Guzmán shared the report with the EO, Renee Purdy and Chair Yee. She requested the report be shared with any interested Board members and Regional Water Board staff. The report assessed how the State's environmental agencies are performing in regard to environmental justice.

### Board member Nahai reported on the following:

After 10 years with the law firm of Lewis Brisbois, as of July 1, 2021, Board Member Nahai formed his own law firm, David Nahai Associates.

He attended a Zoom meeting with The Nature Conservancy. During the meeting, the activities of The Nature Conservancy were discussed. No matters pending before the Regional Water Board were discussed in the meeting.

Board member Stahl reported on the following:

On June 17, 2021, he attended the Santa Monica Bay Restoration Commission Governing Board meeting.

# *Item 5 – Executive Officer's Report*

The EO reported on the following items:

- On June 29, 2021 she approved a settlement with Crimson Pipeline for the alleged unauthorized release of approximately 45,000 gallons of crude oil into Prince Barranca in Ventura County. Crimson Pipeline will pay \$330,218 to the Waste Discharge Permit Fund.
- Update on Site Cleanup Program activities in the San Fernando Valley groundwater basin. On June 30, 2021, USEPA Region 9 awarded a new grant to the Regional Water Board for \$600,000 to fund ongoing work in the San Fernando Valley groundwater basin.
- Acknowledgement of Cris Morris's 10 years of service, upcoming retirement and last Board meeting. Additional acknowledgements from Chair Yee, Board members Stahl and Stringer, and Vice Chair Guzmán.

# *Item* 6 – Update from State Water Board Liaison Sean Maguire

The update by State Board Member Sean Maguire was postponed to a future Board meeting.

### Item 7 – Public Forum

### Speaker

• Jerry Desmond, Desmond & Desmond LLC, representing the Metal Finishing Association of Southern California

# *Item 8 and 9 – Amendments to time schedule orders for the Santa Clarita Valley Sanitation District (SCVSD) Valencia Water Reclamation Plant and Saugus Water Reclamation Plant.*

The Chair administered the oath.

**Staff Presentation:** Dr. Jeong-Hee Lim, Senior Engineer, Municipal Permitting Unit – Watershed Regulatory Section

# Speakers:

- Martha Tremblay, County Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County
- Naira Soghbatyan, The Silverstein Law Firm on behalf of ACWA

MOTION: Board member Nahai made a motion to approve Item 8.

Seconded by: Vice Chair Guzmán Motion carried: Approved by roll call vote. Cynthia Guzmán – Yea Michael Méndez - Yea Irma Muñoz – Yea David Nahai - Yea James Stahl – Yea Charles Stringer – Yea Lawrence Yee – Yea

MOTION: Board member Nahai made a motion to approve Item 9.

Seconded by: Board Member Muñoz Motion carried: Approved by roll call vote.

Cynthia Guzmán – Yea Michael Méndez - Yea Irma Muñoz – Yea David Nahai - Yea James Stahl – Yea Charles Stringer – Yea Lawrence Yee – Yea

# Item 10 – Regional MS4 Permit Public Hearing (morning session)

**Opening Statement:** Chair Yee opened the Public Hearing on the Revised Tentative Regional Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit for the Los Angeles Region and provided an overview of the hearing procedures and order of proceedings.

Chair Yee administered the oath.

**Ex Parte Disclosures:** (Board Members will identify any communications relating to Item 10 that may require disclosure pursuant to Government Code section 11430.40.)

There were no new ex parte communication disclosures.

### Staff Presentation:

Jenny Newman, Assistant Executive Officer Ivar Ridgeway, Senior Scientist, Stormwater Permitting Dr. LB Nye, Program Manager, Regional Programs Section

### Speakers (U.S. EPA & Elected Officials):

- Eugene Bromley, U.S. EPA Region 9
- Becky Shevlin, SGVCOG President and Councilmember, City of Monrovia
- Maria Morales, Councilmember, City of El Monte
- Chin Ho Liao, Mayor, City of San Gabriel
- April Verlato, Councilmember, City of Arcadia
- Gary Boyer, Mayor Pro Tem, City of Glendora

- Jennifer Stark, Mayor, City of Claremont
- Rachelle Arizmendi, Mayor, City of Sierra Madre
- Diana Mahmud, Mayor, City of South Pasadena
- Jesus Gomez, City Manager, City of Norwalk
- Steve Croft, Councilmember, City of Lakewood
- Tim Hepburn, Mayor, City of La Verne
- Gloria Crudgington, Mayor Pro Tem, City of Monrovia

Legal counsel Tamarin Austin announced that the Board was going into closed session to discuss Items 11.L. on the agenda, pursuant to Government Code section 11126, subdivision (e).

Chair Yee announced that Item 10 would reconvene at 2 p.m.

# Lunch Break – 1:10 p.m. to 1:45 p.m.

# Item 14 – Closed Session

The Board went into closed session at 1:45 p.m.

# Item 10 – Regional MS4 Permit Public Hearing (afternoon session)

The Board reopened the hearing on Item 10 at 2:10 p.m.

Chair Yee administered the oath.

# Speakers (Interested Persons & Elected Officials):

- Tevin Schmitt, Wishtoyo Foundation
- Tiffany Wong, Strategic Concepts in Organizing and Policy Education (SCOPE)
- Brittany Rivas, Los Angeles Alliance for a New Economy (LAANE)
- Kelsey Jessup, The Nature Conservancy
- Rowan Roderick-Jones, The Nature Conservancy
- John Randall, The Nature Conservancy
- Eva Pagaling, Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Indians
- Dan Medina, President, Gardena Valley Democratic Club
- Ray Tahir, TECS Environmental
- Mike Lewis, Construction Industry Water Quality Coalition
- Conner Everts, Southern California Watershed Alliance
- Renee Lawler, Riverpark Coalition and Citizens About Responsible Planning

**Board Member Questions:** Board Members Stahl and Nahai and Vice Chair Guzmán identified questions that they wanted Regional Water Board staff to address during the hearing.

**Board Member Disclosure:** Board Member Nahai disclosed that he was on an advisory board for LAANE. Board Member Nahai indicated for the record that he was not aware

that LAANE would be providing comments the pending MS4 permit and noted that he had never discussed the MS4 permit with any representatives of LAANE.

# Hearing Recess – 3:25 p.m. to 6:05 p.m.

# *Item 10 – Regional MS4 Permit Public Hearing (evening session)*

**Opening Statement:** Chair Yee reopened the hearing at 6:05 p.m. and provided an overview of the hearing procedures and order of proceedings.

Chair Yee administrated the oath.

Staff Presentation: Dr. LB Nye, Program Manager, Regional Programs Section

#### **Speakers (Interested Persons):**

- Andy Lipkis, Accelerate Resilience LA
- Itzel Flores Castillo Wang, Promesa Boyle Heights
- David Weeshoff, San Fernando Valley Audubon
- Christine Mills, LA River Communities for Environmental Equity
- Sarai Jimenez, The Nature Conservancy
- Eva Cicoria, Paddle Out Plastic
- Yvonne Watson, Resident of the City of Montebello
- Annelisa Moe, Heal the Bay (video presentation)

**Board Member Questions:** Board member Nahai identified a question for Regional Water Board staff to address during the hearing.

Adjournment of current meeting at 7:22 p.m. (The next meeting to continue the hearing on Item 10 will be held on July 9, 2021, beginning at 9:00 a.m.)

# Public Hearing MS4 Permit (Day 2)

### July 9, 2021

Chair Yee called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

**Language Interpretation Instructions:** The translator provided instructions on how to participate in the meeting in Spanish.

### Roll Call

<u>Board Members Present</u>: Cynthia Guzmán, Michael Méndez, Irma Muñoz, David Nahai, James Stahl, Charles Stringer and Lawrence Yee

<u>Staff Present</u>: Renee Purdy, Jenny Newman, Hugh Marley, Helen Rowe, Gerardo Rabelo, Khalid Abdullah, Tamarin Austin, Sophie Froelich, Adriana Nuñez, Jennifer

Fordyce, LB Nye, Ivar Ridgeway, Megan Kung, Rebecca Christmann, Jeong-Hee Lim, Susana Lagudis, Veronica Cuevas, Xiaofei Cui, Alireza Rahmani, Susana Vargas, Angineh Shahnazarian, and Erum Razzak

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Chair Yee administrated the oath.

**Board Member Disclosure:** Board member Stahl announced that he would be leaving early but would watch the recorded portion of the meeting that he missed before the third day of the hearing on July 16th.

**Ex Parte Disclosures:** (Board Members will identify any communications relating to Item 10 that may require disclosure pursuant to Government Code section 11430.40.)

There were no new ex parte communication disclosures.

**Hearing Procedures:** Chair Yee announced that Vice Chair Guzmán would facilitate the morning session of the hearing.

### Speakers: (Parties)

- Steve Bennett, Assemblymember, District 37, California State Assembly
- Carmen Ramirez, Supervisor, District 5, County of Ventura
- Arne Anselm, Ventura County Countywide Stormwater Quality Management Program
- Jeff Pratt, Director, Ventura County Public Works Agency
- Ewelina Mutkowska, Ventura County Public Works Agency-Watershed Protection

**Cross Examination:** There was no cross examination by any party.

**Board Member Questions:** Board members Stahl, Stringer, and Méndez asked presenting parties and Regional Water Board staff questions.

### Lunch Break – 12:15 p.m. to 1:20 p.m.

Hearing Procedures: Chair Yee resumed facilitation of the meeting.

### Speakers: (Parties)

• Paul Alva, Assistant Deputy Director, Los Angeles County Public Works

- Shahram Kharaghani, Acting Assistant General Manager, LASAN, City of Los Angeles
- Jon Ball, Environmental Supervisor II, LASAN, City of Los Angeles

**Cross Examination:** There was no cross examination by any party.

**Board Member Questions:** Vice Chair Guzmán and Board members Stahl, Stringer, Nahai, Muñoz, and Méndez asked presenting parties and Regional Water Board staff questions.

Chair Yee announced that Board member Stahl had to leave the meeting.

# Speakers: (Parties)

- Kelly Clark, Los Angeles Waterkeeper
- Cori Bell, Natural Resources Defense Council (NRDC)
- Annelisa Moe, Heal the Bay
- Shelley Luce, Heal the Bay
- Bruce Reznik, Los Angeles Waterkeeper
- Daniel Cooper, Sycamore Law on behalf of Los Angeles Waterkeeper

**Cross Examination:** There was no cross examination by any party.

**Board Member Questions:** Chair Yee, Vice Chair Guzmán and Board members Stringer, Nahai, Muñoz, and Méndez asked presenting parties and Regional Water Board staff questions. Chair Yee clarified with NRDC, Heal the Bay, and LA Waterkeeper that they intended to reserve a portion of their speaking time on July 16th for potential questions of Regional Water Board Staff.

### Closing Remarks: Chair Yee

Adjournment and continuation of current meeting at 4:03 p.m. (The next meeting to continue the hearing on Item 10 will be held on July 16, 2021, beginning at 9:00 a.m.)

# Public Hearing MS4 Permit (Day 3)

### July 16, 2021

Chair Yee called the meeting to order at 9:04 a.m.

**Language Interpretation Instructions:** The translator provided instructions on how to participate in the meeting in Spanish.

### Roll Call

<u>Board Members Present</u>: Cynthia Guzmán, Michael Méndez, Irma Muñoz, David Nahai, James Stahl, Charles Stringer and Lawrence Yee

<u>Staff Present</u>: Renee Purdy, Jenny Newman, Hugh Marley, Helen Rowe, Aurel Agarin, Khalid Abdullah, Tamarin Austin, Sophie Froelich, Adriana Nuñez, Jennifer Fordyce, Milasol Gaslan, LB Nye, Cris Morris, Russ Colby, Yue Rong, Arthur Heath, Megan Kung, Rebecca Christmann, Jeong-Hee Lim, Susana Lagudis, Veronica Cuevas, Xiaofei Cui, Alireza Rahmani, Susana Vargas, Angineh Shahnazarian, Ivar Ridgeway, Thanhloan Nguyen, Ching To, and Erum Razzak

# *Item 5 (cont.) – Executive Officer's Report*

The EO reported on the Hyperion sewage spill that occurred on July 11-12.

- On Sunday, July 11, 2021 Regional Water Board staff was notified about the spill at approximately 8:00 p.m.
- The City of Los Angeles reported that the spill occurred because the plant was overwhelmed with a large and unusual amount of debris. The City of Los Angeles is still investigating the cause of the incident.
- Regional Water Board staff responded and conducted an inspection of the facility on Monday, July 12, 2021. When staff arrived on-site the discharge of untreated sewage had stopped.
- An initial calculation from the City of Los Angeles estimated that approximately 17 million gallons of raw sewage was discharged through the 1-mile outfall to Santa Monica Bay. Additionally, approximately 80,000 gallons of raw sewage was discharged through the plant's 5-mile outfall after being blended with treated effluent.
- As required by the NPDES permit issued by the Regional Water Board for the Hyperion Plant, the City of Los Angeles began onshore and offshore sampling at both the 1-mile and 5-mile outfall locations for bacteria and shoreline sampling. The sample collection is being conducted by both the City and County of Los Angeles Department of Public Health.
- Regional Water Board staff are communicating daily with the Hyperion Plant operators and will revisit the facility.
- Three consecutive days of offshore and shoreline sampling have shown no exceedances of bacteria water quality objectives for water contact recreation. No materials of sewage origin were observed at either the 1- or 5-mile outfalls.
- On Wednesday, July 14, 2021, the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health reopened Dockweiler and El Segundo beaches after verifying water quality standards were met.
- A final report is due to the Regional Water Board in 30 days.

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**Ex Parte Disclosures:** (Board Members will identify any communications relating to Item 10 that may require disclosure pursuant to Government Code section 11430.40.)

There were no new ex parte communication disclosures.

Chair Yee administrated the oath.

**Staff Presentation:** Response to Board member questions Jenny Newman, Assistant Executive Officer, Surface Water Division Megan Kung, Research Data Specialist II (Economist)

Board Member Questions: Board members Méndez, Nahai and Stahl and Vice Chair Guzmán identified additional questions of Regional Water Board staff.

# Speakers (Elected Officials & Parties):

- Robert Wunderlich, Mayor, City of Beverly Hills
- Margaret Clark, Councilmember, City of Rosemead
- Lori Woods, Councilmember, City of Signal Hill
- Gerald Greene, CWE on behalf of the Los Angeles River Upper Reach 2 Subwatershed Group and City of Gardena
- Konya Vivanti, City of Lakewood and Los Cerritos Channel Watershed Group
- Bernardo Iniguez, City of Bellflower and Los Cerritos Channel Watershed Group
- Richard Watson, Richard Watson & Associates, Inc. on behalf of Los Cerritos Channel Watershed Management Group Permittees
- Gladis Deras, City of South Gate and Lower Los Angeles River Watershed Group
- John Hunter, John L. Hunter and Associates, Inc. on behalf of the Permittees in the Lower Los Angeles River and Lower San Gabriel River Watershed Groups
- Mike O'Grady, City of Cerritos and Lower San Gabriel Watershed Group
- Melissa You, City of Long Beach
- Glen Kau, City of Norwalk
- Alex Tachiki, City of Monrovia
- James Carlson, City of Sierra Madre
- Ted Gerber, City of South Pasadena
- John Beshay, City of Baldwin Park

- Heather Merenda, City of Santa Clarita
- Mark Johnson, City of Malibu

Cross Examination: There was no cross examination by any party.

**Board Member Questions:** Board members Stahl and Nahai asked questions of parties and Regional Water Board staff.

**Party Questions:** Glen Kau from the City of Norwalk asked the Regional Water Board staff questions.

### **Closing Statements:**

- Steve Bennett, State Assemblymember (*Note: Assemblymember Bennett spoke in the morning due to a schedule conflict.*)
- Arne Anselm, Ventura County Permittees
- Kelly Clark, Los Angeles Waterkeeper
- Shelley Luce, Heal the Bay
- Paul Alva, Los Angeles County Public Works

**Board Member Questions:** Board members Nahai, Méndez, and Stringer asked the Regional Water Board staff questions.

Chair Yee closed the public comments.

**Closing Remarks:** Chair Yee provided an overview of the procedures for Board member deliberation and voting procedures that would be used during the 4th4<sup>th</sup> day of the hearing on July 23rd.

Adjournment and continuation of hearing at 1:42 p.m. (The next meeting to the continue the hearing on Item 10 will be held on July 23, 2021, beginning at 9:00 a.m.)

# Public Hearing MS4 Permit (Day 4)

### July 23, 2021

Chair Yee called the meeting to order at 9:04 a.m.

**Language Interpretation Instructions:** The translator provided instructions on how to access the meeting in Spanish.

#### Roll Call

<u>Board Members Present</u>: Cynthia Guzmán, Michael Méndez, Irma Muñoz, David Nahai, James Stahl, Charles Stringer and Lawrence Yee

<u>Staff Present</u>: Renee Purdy, Jenny Newman, Hugh Marley, Helen Rowe, Gerardo Rabelo, Khalid Abdullah, Tamarin Austin, Sophie Froelich, Adriana Nuñez, Jennifer Fordyce, Milasol Gaslan, LB Nye, Cris Morris, Russ Colby, Yue Rong, Arthur Heath,

Megan Kung, Rebecca Christmann, Jeong-Hee Lim, Susana Lagudis, Rosa, Veronica Cuevas, Xiaofei Cui, Alireza Rahmani, Susana Vargas, Angineh Shahnazarian, Ivar Ridgeway, Thanhloan Nguyen, Ching To, and Erum Razzak

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Chair Yee reopened the Public Hearing on the Revised Tentative Regional Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit for the Los Angeles Region and began Board deliberations. He also provided an overview of the hearing procedures, the order of proceedings, and parliamentary procedure.

**Ex Parte Disclosures:** (Board Members will identify any communications requiring disclosure pursuant to Government Code section 11430.40.)

**Chair Yee** reported that he received email yesterday (July 22, 2021) from Mr. Tahir in expressed and admitted violation of the ex parte rules regarding the pending regional MS4 Permit related to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

Chair Yee indicated that he did not read the email, but he forwarded the email to Executive Officer Renee Purdy so that the email could be added to the administrative record for this proceeding.

**Vice Chair Guzmán** reported she also received the same email as Chair Yee from Mr. Ray Tahir. She forwarded the email to the Executive Officer, Renee Purdy.

**Board Member Stahl** reported he received the same email as Chair Yee from Mr. Ray Tahir. He forwarded the email to the Executive Officer, Renee Purdy.

**Board Member Méndez** reported he received the same email as Chair Yee from Mr. Ray Tahir. He forwarded the email to the Executive Officer, Renee Purdy.

Chair Yee provided parties an opportunity to comment on Mr. Tahir's ex parte communication. No parties commented.

Chair Yee administered the oath.

**Staff Presentation:** Responses to Board member questions and Staff recommendation Jenny Newman, Assistant Executive Officer, Surface Water Division Sophie Froelich, Attorney IV, Office of Chief Counsel Renee Purdy, Executive Officer

Board Member Nahai provided initial comments and then made a motion to adopt Staff's recommendation, including Change Sheets #1, #2, and #3, with the following revisions 1) to revise the reporting requirements in Part XIV.A of Attachment E to require semi-annual Watershed Management Program Progress Reports that are posted on a permittee's website in a manner that is prominent, readily available, and easily understandable to the public; 2) to update section 1.1 of Attachment H to clarify the watershed control measure

milestone progress reporting requirements and 3) to make conforming changes to sections 1.2 and 1.3 of Attachment H and the Fact Sheet.

Board Member Stringer seconded Board Member Nahai's motion and proposed an amendment requiring MS4 Permittees to make the Watershed Management Program Progress reports available in multiple languages. Board Member accepted Board Member Stringer's amendment. Board Member Muñoz proposed an amendment that would require MS4 permittees to also make the Watershed Management Program Progress Reports available to the public through direct outreach. Board Member Nahai accepted Board Member Muñoz's amendment.

Staff requested a short recess to update Board Member Nahai's motion to reflect Board Members Stringer and Muñoz's amendments. Chair Yee granted staff's request.

### Recess 11:15 a.m. to 11:45 a.m.

Executive Officer Renee Purdy reviewed updates to the language in Part XIV.A.2 of Attachment E and Part XII.O of the Fact Sheet to reflect the amendments from Board member Stringer and Board member Muñoz. The language was accepted with minor editorial changes.

Board member Méndez proposed the following amendments to Board Member Nahai's motion 1) to update the language in section 1.1 in Attachment H to add a reference to cobenefits; 2) to require the Regional Water Board to have a central portal on its website to access the Watershed Management Progress Reports, and 3) to update section 1.1 in Attachment H to include a disadvantaged community analysis. Board member Nahai accepted proposed amendments 1 and 3. Board member Nahai did not accept proposed amendment 2 because it was a directive to staff and not the Permittees.

Chair Yee offered an amendment to Board Member Nahai's motion, to give Ventura County permittees 30 months instead of the proposed 24 months to submit a watershed management program and to add milestones during the watershed management program development period. Board member Nahai did not accept the amendment. Board Member Muñoz seconded Chair Yee's proposed amendment and the Board deliberated. Chair Yee then called for a vote.

Vote #1 on Chair Yee's proposed amendment to Board member Nahai's motion.

Motion not carried: Not approved by roll call vote.

Cynthia Guzmán – No Michael Méndez – No Irma Muñoz – Yea David Nahai - No James Stahl – Yea Charles Stringer – No

#### Lawrence Yee – Yea

Staff requested a short recess to finalize the language of Board Member Nahai's motion as amended by Board Members Stringer, Muñoz, and Méndez. Chair Yee granted the request.

### Lunch Break – 1:15 p.m. to 1:45 p.m.

Executive Officer Renee Purdy reviewed the changes to Attachment E, Attachment H, and the Fact Sheet in the motion proposed by Board member Nahai with the amendments from Board member Stringer, Board member Muñoz and Board member Méndez.

There were no objections from Board members to the final language of Board member Nahai's motion.

Board member Stahl proposed an amendment to Board member Nahai's motion to revise the Compliance Determination provisions to include an additional alternative compliance option for final WQBELs as proposed in the Ventura County Permittees' closing statement presentation. Board member Nahai did not accept the amendment and a vote was called on the amendment.

Vote #2 on Board member Stahl's proposed amendment to Board member Nahai's motion.

Motion not carried: Not approved by roll call vote.

Cynthia Guzmán – No Michael Méndez – No Irma Muñoz – No David Nahai - No James Stahl – Yea Charles Stringer – No Lawrence Yee – Yea

Vote # 3 on Board member Nahai's motion to approve the Revised Tentative MS4 Permit as recommended by Regional Water Board staff, including Change Sheets #1, #2, and #3, with the proposed revisions to the WMP reporting sections in Part XIV.A of Attachment E, Part A and sections 1.1, 1.2, 1.3 of Attachment H and Part XII.O of Attachment F.

Motion carried: Approved by roll call vote.

Cynthia Guzmán – Yea Michael Méndez - Yea Irma Muñoz – Yea David Nahai - Yea James Stahl – No Charles Stringer – Yea Lawrence Yee – Yea The meeting adjourned at 2:25 p.m. (For more detailed information on any matter at our meetings, you may contact Helen Rowe at (213) 576-6612 or by email at: <u>Helen.Rowe@waterboards.ca.gov</u>, and she may provide an electronic copy of the transcript or audio, if available.)

Written and submitted by Helen Rowe, Board Clerk on September 13, 2021

Signature on File Helen Rowe