State of California Regional Water Quality Control Board North Coast Region

Minutes of Meeting

9:00 A.M., Tuesday, August 30, 2022 Regional Water Quality Control Board Eureka City Hall and Video Conference

Tuesday, August 30, 2022

Video recordings of Board meetings (since 2/2019) are available at:

Prior Board Meeting Video recordings.

Audio recordings of Board meetings (11/2018 and before) are available at:

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i. Pledge of Allegiance; Land Acknowledgment and Blessing: Board Member Bedolla led the Pledge of Allegiance. Board member McCovey provided a Land Acknowledgement and Blessing.

ii. Roll Call and Introductions:

Board Members present: Hector Bedolla, Gregory Giusti, Shaunna

McCovey, Bill Matsubu, and Crystal

Robinson.

Regional Water Board staff present: Jim Burke, Josh Curtis, Nick Fetherston,

Matt Graves, Nathan Jacobsen, Lance Le, Alydda Mangelsdorf, Elizabeth Pope, Matt St. John, and Jonathan Warmerdam.

- iii. Board Member Reports and Ex Parte Communication Disclosure. No reports
- iv. State Water Board Liaison's Report: State Water Board Liaison Dorene D'Adamo, provided an update on the Newsom Administration's recent report California's Water Supply Strategy Adapting to a Hotter, Drier Future and provided updates on water conservation, the Water Board's Drinking Water Program, and recent adoption of the Water Board's Restoration General Order.
- v. Regional Board Chair's Report: No report given.
- vi. Public Forum: No public forum comments.

Information Items

1. Upper Elk River Sediment TMDL 5-Year Review.

Chairman Giusti provided opening remarks. Presentations and comments were provided as follows:

North Coast Regional Water Control Board Staff Presentation:

- (A) Introduction and Overview: Alydda Mangelsdorf, Environmental Program Manger-Planning and Watershed Stewardship Division
- (B) Health and Safety: Matt Graves, Engineering Geologist
- (C) WDRs: Jim Burke, Senior Engineering Geologist
- (D) Data Assessment and Trends Analysis: Lance Le, PhD, Water Resource Control Engineer
- (E) Summary and Next Steps: Elizabeth Pope, Senior Environmental Scientist-Humboldt Bay Watershed Steward

Public Comments: Jesse Noelle, Monty Lowe, Norman Pasteris, Dave Nichols (letter read by Kristi Wrigley), Kristi Wrigley (all Elk River residents)

Humboldt Redwood Company: Dennis Thibeault, Chris Faubion, Keith Lackey

Green Diamond Resource Company: Wayne Whitlock, Matt Nannizzi, Patrick Belmont (Professor Watershed Sciences Utah State University); Elicia Goldsworthy assisted with responses to Board questions

Public Comments: Norman Pasteris, Monty Lowe, Jesse Noelle, Kristi Wrigley (all Elk River residents)

CalTrout Team: Darren Mireau, CalTrout and Bonnie Pryor, Northern Hydrology and Engineering

Public comments: James Ray, Senior Environmental Scientist, CDFW

Alexandre Family Farms: Joseph Alexandre

California Coastal Conservancy: Michael Bowen

Closing and Summation: Chairman Giusti and Matt St. John

No actions were taken by the Regional Water Board.

Closed Session

- 4. The Board met in closed session pursuant to:
 - b. Consider the appointment, employment, evaluation of performance, or dismissal of a public employee or to hear complaints or charges brought against a public employee (Gov. Code, § 11126, subd.(a)(1)).

There was no report following closed session.

5. Arrangements for Next Meeting and Adjournment 9:00 a.m., Friday October 7, 2022
Online – Zoom Meeting,
Santa Rosa, CA

Meeting adjourned at 5:40 p.m.

Chairperson_		 	
Date			