State Water Resources Control Board

Ex Parte Communication Disclosure Regarding Pending Order

Pending Order

Draft Order WQ re: Waste Discharge Requirements General Order R5-2012-0116

Name, title, contact information of person completing form

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Date, time, location of meeting

December 11 2017, Conference Call

Type of Communication

Oral communication occurred.

Participants

Board Member Esquival

Darrin Polhemus

Parry Klassen

Wayne Zisper

Tess Dunham

Name of person(s) who initiated the communication

Tess Dunham

Describe Communication

Discussion regarding draft ESJ Order. Issues discussed included concerns with the Surface Water language of the draft order. Expressed concerns regarding conclusory statements made in the Draft Order with respect to the Surface Water Program. Explained the Surface Water Program. Also conveyed concerns that they were looking to set up an Expert Panel through this Order when other stakeholders that are not irrigated agriculture may have opinions on the issue as well.

Also discussed ESJ’s concerns with the grower anonymous language as currently presented in the Draft Order.