
Central Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board

Regular Meeting Minutes

Thursday, December 11, 2025, 9:00 a.m.
Central Coast Water Board Office
895 Aerovista Place, Suite 101, San Luis Obispo

Friday, December 12, 2025, 9:00 a.m.
Chevron Guadalupe Restoration Project Desalination Plant
2184 Thornberry Rd. Guadalupe, Ca

Video and teleconference recordings of the meeting are currently available on the following website: <https://cal-span.org/static/meetings-RWQCB-CC.php>

Chair Gray called the meeting to order on Thursday, December 11, 2025, at 9:00 a.m.

Board Business

1. Roll call and declaration of quorum
Kai Johnson, Clerk to the Board, 805/549-3686,
Kai.Johnson@waterboards.ca.gov

Present: Chair Gray, Member Rodriguez, Member Roques

Absent: Vice Chair Wolff, Member Harlan, Member Hoskins

Chair Gray declared that a quorum was not present; therefore, the meeting proceeded as a workshop.

2. Introductions
[Ryan Lodge, Executive Officer, 805/549-3140,
Ryan.Lodge@waterboards.ca.gov]

Phil Hammar introduced Natalie Meyer in her new role as an environmental scientist in the 401 program.

Tamara Anderson introduced Drew Friedrichs in his role as a water resource control engineer in the NPDES program.

Joey Sisk introduced Dara Goldrath in her new role as an engineering geologist in the oilfields and landfills program.

Mary Hamilton introduced Ella Ban in her new role as an environmental scientist in the cannabis program.

Greg Bishop introduced Sandy Britt in his new role as an engineering geologist in the site cleanup program.

Member Harlan joined the workshop remotely at 9:15 a.m.

JANE GRAY, CHAIR | RYAN E. LODGE, EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Chair Gray declared a quorum at 9:32 a.m., converting the workshop to a meeting. Member Hoskins joined the meeting remotely at 9:40 a.m.

Executive Officer Ryan Lodge introduced a Resolution of Appreciation honoring Dr. Monica Hunter for her 20 years of service to the Central Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board. The Resolution of Appreciation for Dr. Monica Hunter was read aloud by Chair Gray. Former staff, Board members, and Dr. Hunter offered remarks expressing appreciation.

3. Approval of Board meeting minutes, October 8-9, 2025

Motion: Member Rodriguez motioned to approve the minutes.

Second: Member Roques

Aye: Chair Gray, Member Rodriguez, Member Hoskins, Member Harlan

Absent: Vice Chair Wolff

Motion Carried: 5 to 0

4. Board member communications, including ex parte disclosures and Board member reports. Board members will identify any ex parte discussions they may have had requiring disclosure pursuant to Government Code section 11430.40, and Board members may discuss communications, correspondence, or other items of general interest relating to matters within the Board's jurisdiction.

Member Rodriguez:

- November 12, 2025 - Attended the Diablo Canyon Permitting Workshop.
- December 4, 2025 - Attended Board briefing.

Member Roques

- November 12, 2025 - Attended the Diablo Canyon Permitting Public Workshop.
- December 5, 2025 - Attended Board briefing with Chair Gray.
- December 9, 2025 - Participated in a Zoom meeting with Kija Rivers and Brandon Bollinger of the Community Water Center; Elias Rodriguez and Cleo Maya Johnson of California Rural Legal Assistance; Rosa Carrillo Orozco of San Gerardo Cooperative; and Natalie Herendeen of Monterey Coastkeeper.

Member Harlan

- November 12, 2025 - Attended the Diablo Canyon Permitting Public Workshop remotely.
- December 4, 2025 - Attended Board briefing.

Member Hoskins:

- November 12, 2025 - Attended the Diablo Canyon Permitting Public Workshop remotely.
- December 5, 2025 - Attended Board briefing with Vice Chair Wolff.

Chair Gray:

- November 12, 2025 - Attended the Diablo Canyon Permitting Public Workshop.
- November 17, 2025 - Call with Sarah Lopez of Central Coast Water Quality Preservation, Inc.
- November 18, 2025 - Attended the community advisory group meeting for the San Luis Obispo Airport PFAS Project.
- December 3, 2025 - Call with Brandon Bollinger of the Community Water Center.
- December 5, 2025 - Attended Board briefing.

5. Report by State Water Resources Control Board Liaison
[Sean Maguire, 916/341-5877, Sean.Maguire@waterboards.ca.gov]

State Water Board Member Maguire did not provide an update.

Public Forum

6. Any person may orally address the Board regarding a matter within the Board's jurisdiction that is not related to an item on this meeting agenda.

No Public Comments

Discussion/Informational Items

7. Annual Agricultural Order Implementation Update

[Elaine Sahl, Senior Environmental Scientist, 805/542-4645, Elaine.Sahl@waterboards.ca.gov, Paula Richter, Senior Environmental Scientist, 805/549-3865, Paula.Richter@waterboards.ca.gov].

Elaine Sahl, Senior Environmental Scientist, presented the goals and agenda for this informational item, including identifying the Irrigated Lands Program Team. She then provided a brief overview of the Agricultural Order, recent revisions to the Agricultural Order, and an update on development of an alternative water supply program. Paula Richter, Senior Environmental Scientist, presented on third-party program engagement and coordination efforts over the past year. She introduced the third-party program executive director.

Sarah Lopez, Executive Director of Central Coast Water Quality Preservation, Inc. presented on their surface water (trend monitoring and follow-up implementation) and groundwater (well sampling, trend monitoring workplans, irrigation & nutrient management) programs.

Paula Richter then presented on Agricultural Order compliance and enforcement efforts over the past year. Elaine Sahl closed out the presentation and provided a reminder of the information available on the Irrigated Lands Program Dashboard for Grower Reporting and Water Quality. The following individuals provided public comment: Community members Leonel Morales (interpreter Saul Reyes), Maria De Jesus Sanchez (interpreter Saul Reyes) and Pedro Enriquez, and Kija Rivers from the Community Water Center.

No action was taken as this is an informational item.

8. Chevron Guadalupe Restoration Project Update [Daniel Pelikan, Engineering Geologist, 805/549-3880, Daniel.Pelikan@waterboards.ca.gov] Greg Bishop, Water Resource Control Engineer, 805/549-3132, Greg.Bishop@waterboards.ca.gov

Daniel Pelikan and Greg Bishop provided an update on the Chevron Guadalupe Restoration Project, including the site history, regulatory oversight, and progress of cleanup and restoration activities. Staff summarized ongoing groundwater and soil remediation efforts and discussed future plans, including continued groundwater cleanup and coordination of a potential transfer of property ownership to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

Representatives from Chevron Environmental Management Company (Owen Ranta) and the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (Jennifer Gold) also provided updates related to restoration activities and long-term land management. Board Members asked clarifying questions, which were addressed by staff and presenters.

No public comments were received.

No action was taken as this is an informational item.

9. Executive Officer's Report: Executive Officer, Ryan Lodge, Ryan.Lodge@waterboards.ca.gov.

Ryan Lodge summarized the standard program performance tables. He noted that the tables reflect a significant amount of work across multiple programs.

Executive Officer Lodge addressed attachment 6 in the EO report, providing an update on the San Luis Obispo County Regional Airport PFAS Contamination Project. The update summarized substantial progress made over the past year on implementation of the Voluntary Cleanup and Abatement Agreement. Executive Officer Lodge stated that staff will work with the airport parties, including San Luis Obispo County and CAL FIRE, to develop a new Voluntary Cleanup and Abatement Agreement, as the current agreement expires on June 30, 2026.

No public comments were received.

No action was taken as this is an informational item.

Chair Gray adjourned the meeting at 15:20

Friday, December 12, 2025, 9:00 a.m.

Board Business

Chair Gray called the session to order at 9:07 a.m. and stated that a quorum was not present. The session proceeded as a workshop.

Present: Chair Gray, Member Rodriguez, Member Roques

Absent: Member Harlan, Member Hoskins, Vice Chair Wolff

Educational Field Trip

10. Field Trip - Chevron Guadalupe Restoration Project: 2184 Thornberry Rd, Guadalupe [Greg Bishop, Senior Engineering Geologist, 805/549-3132, Greg.Bishop@waterboards.ca.gov, Daniel Pelikan, Engineering Geologist, 805/549-3880, Daniel.Pelikan@waterboards.ca.gov]

Chair Gray adjourned the workshop at 12:15.

Jane Gray, Chair