

**STATE OF CALIFORNIA
CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
CENTRAL VALLEY REGION**

Minutes
26 April 2002 – 9:00 a.m.
448th Regular Meeting
Fresno Education Department
Tulare & M Streets
Fresno, California

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Robert Schneider, Chair, Karl Longley, Vice Chair, Robert Fong, Alson Brizard, Beverly Alves, Christopher Cabaldon, Cher Kablanow, Members

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

Mark Salvaggio

STAFF PRESENT

Gary Carlton, Tom Pinkos, Ken Landau, Loren Harlow, Dave Carlson, Lonnie Wass, Bert VanVoris, Bill Marshall, Jeanne Chilcott, JoAnn Kipps, Patricia Leary, Steve Rosenbaum, Rudy Schnagl, Phillip Crader, Jim Marshall, Amanda Smith, Pam Buford, Janice Tanaka; Frances McChesney and Catherine George, Staff Counsels

OTHERS PRESENT

Gary Giersch, Amador Water Agency
David Cory, SJR Exchange Contractors
Bill Jennings, DeltaKeeper
Bob Murdoch, City of Stockton
Charles Kelley, San Joaquin County
Dick Schafer, Tule River
Bob Whitley, SKF County
Tim Souther, Geomatrix Consultants
John Wright, SKF County
Darill Whitter, City of Bakersfield
Jeff Halstead, Kings River Conservation District
Dennis Keller, Keller Engineering
William Scheide, Kern County
David Mechel, SKF County
Kevin Hamilton, Kern County
Mark Severeid, City of West Sacramento
Bob Hedrick, Kahn, Soares & Conway

Kati Buehler, CA Rice Commission
Joe Spano, State of CA, DHS
Bob Hultquist, State of CA, DHS
Doug Liden, U.S. EPA
Dennis DeAnda, CA Dept of Fish & Game
Don Dodge, City of Stockton
Adam Olivieri, City of Stockton
Russ Brown, City of Stockton
John Hall, City of Stockton
Morris Allen, City of Stockton
Richard Haberman, State of CA, DHS
Mike Beck, Operations Management
International
Robert Garcia, Leprino Foods
Thomas Fossom, City of Auburn
Donald Roberts, Naval Air Station, Lemoore

PUBLIC FORUM

David Corey of the San Joaquin Valley Exchange Contractors introduced himself to the Board as having recently joined the Exchange Contractors and will be working on farm issues, including the Grasslands Bypass Project.

Bill Jennings, DeltaKeeper, spoke to the Board on a number of issues:

- California's population is continuing to grow, so we must work harder to maintain water quality
- Meetings have been held regarding the proposed waiver extension legislation (AB2226 Salinas). Parties are close on substance, but far apart on process.
- Toxic Hot Spot – DeltaKeeper won lawsuit. A time schedule has been set to redo the Regional Board plans and SWRCB sediment criteria. DeltaKeeper will vigorously oppose TMDLs as a substitute for Bay Protection Program compliance.
- A Superior Court ruling on the TOSCO (ULTIMAR) appeal concluded that the SIP provision deferring final effluent limitations until completion of a TMDL did not comply with the Clean Water Act. Also, USEPA has not yet approved the SIP provisions allowing 5+ year time schedules pending TMDL completion.
- USEPA has agreed to consult with USF&WS, NMFS, and other environmental agencies on impacts of pesticides on aquatic plant and animal species.
- USEPA will consult with USF&WS and NMFS on NPDES Permit issues.

Gary Giersch representing Amador Water Agency stated that the high costs of monitoring small community septic systems is so expensive that home owners may be driven back to use of individual disposal systems. The Board asked for a staff response on the issue.

BOARD MEMBER COMMUNICATIONS

Karl Longley is developing a conference to be held this fall to discuss the science of monitoring program design with a limited budget.

Chairman Schneider reported items of interest from the Chair's meeting, including WDR waiver issues, when they occur, stormwater, and budgetary issues, and the pilot program to divert staff work to critical issues.

Beverly Alves reported that she and Al Brizard had attended the workshop on Review of Waivers for Agricultural Runoff on 18 April in Yuba City. Agriculture was well represented at the workshop, but no environmental organizations attended. There will be a second workshop on 20 May in Tulare.

Cher Kablanow reported that she had attended the Water Education Foundation's lower Colorado River Tour. Although the tour dealt mostly with water quantity issues, she found that we share many similar agricultural runoff issues with the Imperial Valley and Salton Sea areas.

Chris Cabaldon reported that he has been appointed by the Governor to the CALFED Bay Delta Committee.

Al Brizard requested that all Board members be provided a list of MOUs and MAAs, and a brief description of each agreement. He also reported that staff had met with the Regional Council of Rural County. The meeting had been very positive and staff will be regulars on the RCRC agenda. Participation is needed for septic tank issues.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

The Board received the Executive Officer's report.

UNCONTESTED CALENDAR

1. **Status of Water Quality in the San Joaquin River and the Grassland Watershed - Consideration of Approval of Reports on Agricultural Drainage**

R5-2002-0046

- a. Agricultural Drainage Contribution to Water Quality in the Grassland Watershed of Western Merced County, California: October 1998 – September 2000 (Water Years 1999 and 2000)
- b. Water Quality of the Lower San Joaquin River: Lander Avenue to Vernalis, October 1998 – September 2000 (Water Years 1999 and 2000)
- c. Review of Selenium Concentrations in Wetland Water Supply Channels in the Grassland Watershed (Water Years 1999 and 2000)

MOTION: By Mr. Longley, seconded by Mr. Brizard to approve the proposed reports. Unanimously approved.

2. **FY 2002-2003 Central Valley Region Abandoned and Recalcitrant Site Priority List - Consideration of Adoption**

A public hearing was held. No one appeared to contest the proposed resolution.

R5-2002-0047

MOTION: By Mr. Longley, seconded by Mr. Cabaldon to approve the proposed resolution. Unanimously approved.

3. **City of Mendota, Wastewater Treatment Facility, Fresno County – Consideration of Cease and Desist Order**

A public hearing was held. No one appeared to contest the proposed order.

R5-2002-0048

MOTION: By Mr. Brizard, seconded by Mr. Longley to approve the proposed order. Unanimously approved by role call vote.

4. **City of Auburn, Wastewater Treatment Plant, Placer County - Consideration of Rescission of a Cease and Desist Order**

A public hearing was held. No one appeared to contest the proposed rescission.

R5-2002-0049

MOTION: By Mr. Cabaldon, seconded by Mrs. Kablanow to approve the proposed rescission. Unanimously approved by role call vote.

5. **City of Nevada City, Wastewater Treatment Plant, Nevada County – Consideration of Cease and Desist Order and NPDES Permit Renewal**

A public hearing was held. No one appeared to contest the proposed orders.

R5-2002-0050

MOTION: By Mr. Longley, seconded by Mr. Cabaldon to approve the proposed NPDES Order. Unanimously approved.

R5-2002-0051

MOTION: By Mr. Longley, seconded by Mr. Cabaldon to approve the proposed Cease and Desist Order. Unanimously approved by role call vote.

6. Uncontested NPDES Permits

- R5-2002-0085** a. Equilon Enterprises LLC, dba Shell Oil Products US, Groundwater Cleanup System, Kern County
- R5-2002-0052** b. Chevron U.S.A., Inc., Kern River Oil Field, Kern County
- R5-2002-0053** c. Texaco Exploration and Production, Inc., Kern River Oil Field, Kern County
- R5-2002-0054** d. Stallion Springs Community Services District, Wastewater Treatment Facility, Kern County
- R5-2002-0055** e. California Department of Corrections, Sierra Conservation Center, Water Treatment Plant, Tuolumne County
- R5-2002-0056** f. J. F. Shea Company Inc., dba Fawndale Rock and Asphalt, Shasta County
- R5-2002-0057** g. Lehigh Southwest Cement Company, Shasta County
- R5-2001-0216-A01** h. City of Redding, Stillwater Wastewater Treatment Plant, Shasta County
- R5-1998-0125-A01** i. City of Redding, Clear Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant, Shasta County
- R5-2002-0058** j. Resolution Approving Substantial Modification of Pretreatment Program for City of Redding, Shasta County

MOTION: By Mr. Longley, seconded by Mr. Cabaldon to approve the proposed orders. Unanimously approved.

- Item 20b.** MOTION: By Mr. Longley, seconded by Mrs. Alves to approve the proposed order. Approved with Mr. Cabaldon abstaining.

7. Uncontested Waste Discharge Requirements Rescissions

R5-2002-0059

- a. Valley Waste Disposal Company, Bishop 22 and Signal 22 Leases, Mt. Poso Oil Field, Kern County
- b. Floyd Williams Ranches, Fresno County
- c. State of California, Department of Transportation, Red Bluff Northbound Roadside Rest Area, Tehama County
- d. State of California, Department of Transportation, Red Bluff Southbound Roadside Rest Area, Tehama County
- e. Pistachio Producers of California, Inc., Pistachio Processing Plant, Madera County
- f. Signature Fruit, Plant T, San Joaquin County
- g. Homestake Mining Company, McLaughlin Mine, Lake, Napa and Yolo Counties
- h. University of California, Davis, Landfill Ground Water Cleanup System, Yolo County
- i. Bruce Myers, Tulare County
- j. Modesto Energy Limited Partnership, UAE Energy Operations Corp., and Edward J. and Mary Etta Filbin, Modesto Tire-to-Energy Facility, Stanislaus County
- k. Signature Fruit, Plant No. 4, San Joaquin County

MOTION: By Mr. Cabaldon, seconded by Mr. Longley to approve the proposed orders. Unanimously approved.

8. Uncontested Change of Name and/or Ownership for Waste Discharge Requirements

R5-2002-0060

- a. Iron Mountain Ski Resort, Sierra Acquisition Company, El Dorado County
- b. Calaveras Cement Company, a Subsidiary of CBR Cement Corporation, and Pacific Gas and Electric Company, Lake Britton Diatomaceous Earth Pit, Shasta County
- c. Salwasser, Inc. Raisin Processing Plant, South Plant, Fresno County
- d. Salwasser, Inc. Raisin Processing Plant, North Plant, Fresno County
- e. Paramount Farms, Inc., Kern County
- f. Cool Limestone Quarry, Limestone Products, Inc., El Dorado County

- g. Das Diva Corporation, Sacramento County
- h. Dairyman's Meat Processing, Merced County

MOTION: By Mr. Longley, seconded by Mrs. Kablanow to approve the proposed order. Unanimously approved.

9. Uncontested Water Recycling Requirements

R5-2002-0061

- a. City of Turlock and Arthur G. Crowell, Bar-Vee Dairy, Stanislaus County

MOTION: By Mr. Longley, seconded by Mr. Brizard to approve the proposed order. Unanimously approved.

10. Uncontested Waste Discharge Requirements

R5-2002-0061 a. U.S. Department of the Navy, Lemoore Naval Air Station, Wastewater Treatment Facility, Kings County

R5-2002-0062 b. City of Exeter, Wastewater Treatment Facility, Tulare County

R5-2002-0063 c. Richard Steinehart, Wildwood Mobile Home Park, Wastewater Treatment Facility, Madera County

R5-2002-0065 d. Tetra Oil Company, Cattleberry Lease, Jasmin Oil Field, Kern County

R5-2002-0066 e. Pace Diversified Corporation, Boots Lease, Kern River Oil Field, Kern County

R5-2002-0067 f. Henry Lynn Hall III, USL Lease, Poso Creek Oil Field, Kern County

R5-2002-0068 g. Postclosure Maintenance, Western Farm Service, Inc., Madera Facility, Madera County

R5-2002-0069 h. O. C. and Harry Critchfield, Roll-in Mobilehome Park Wastewater System, Tuolumne County

R5-2002-0070 i. East Bay Municipal Utility District, Camanche Reservoir South Shore Recreation Area Wastewater Treatment Plant, Calaveras County

R5-2002-0071 j. California Natural Products, Wastewater Treatment Facility, San Joaquin County

R5-2002-0072 k. George Reed, Inc. & 711 Materials, Inc., Aggregate Mine and Wastewater System, San Joaquin County

R5-2002-0073 l. County of Kern and U.S. Department of The Interior, Bureau of Land Management, for Closure and Postclosure Maintenance, Kern Valley Sanitary Landfill, Kern County

R5-2002-0086 m. California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection, Konocti Conservation Camp, Lake County

R5-2002-0074 n. Granite Construction Company, RMC Pacific Materials, Granite Construction Bradshaw Plant, Sacramento County

R5-2002-0075 o. Renwood Vineyard Properties Ltd., Renwood Winery, Amador County

R5-2002-0076 p. Dark Horse Subdivision, Dark Horse, LLC, Nevada County

R5-2002-0077 q. Wild Wings Water Recycling Facility, Wild Wings, LLC, Yolo County

R5-2002-0078 r. County of Yolo, Planning and Public Works Department, Yolo County Central Landfill, Groundwater Extraction and Treatment System, Storage Reservoir, and Land Application Area, Yolo County

MOTION: By Mr. Longley, seconded by Mrs. Alves to approve the proposed orders. Unanimously approved.

11. F'SOT Geothermal Project, Modoc County – Consideration of a New NPDES Permit

A public hearing was held. No one appeared to contest the proposed order.

R5-2002-0079 MOTION: By Mr. Cabaldon, seconded by Mr. Longley to approve the proposed orders. Unanimously approved.

12. Status of Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) Permits – *A Status Report*

Bill Marshall presented the staff report. Other information was presented by Bill Jennings of DeltaKeeper, Bob Murdoch and Charles Kelly. This item was for the Board's information.

13. Triennial Review of the Water Quality Control Plan for the Central Valley Region, Tulare Lake Basin - *Workshop to Receive Comments*

Pam Buford presented the staff report. Other information was presented by Bob Whitley, John Wright, Tim Southern, Darrel Whitten, and Dick Shafer. This item was for the Board's information.

14. Department of Pesticide Regulation's Management Practices for Rice Pesticides – *Consideration of Approval of Practices for the 2002 and 2003 Rice Seasons*

Amanda Smith presented the staff report. Other information was presented by Mark Severeid and John Sanders

R5-2002-0080 MOTION: By Mr. Longley, seconded by Mrs. Alves to approve the proposed resolution. Approved with Mr. Cabaldon voting no.

15. Annual Review of the Selenium Control Program in the San Joaquin River Basin - *Informational Item Updating the Board on Ongoing Activities in the Grassland Watershed to Control Selenium Discharges to the San Joaquin River and the Grassland Wetlands*

Phillip Crader presented the staff report. Additional information was presented by Joseph McGann. This was for the Board's information.

16. City of Stockton, Regional Wastewater Control Facility, San Joaquin County – *Consideration of Cease and Desist Order and NPDES Permit Renewal*

A public hearing was held. James Marshall and Patricia Leary presented the staff report. Additional testimony was presented by Paul Simmons, Morris Allen, Russ Brown, Dr. Oliveri, Bill Jennings, Dennis DeAnda, Rich Haberman, Joe Spano, Doug Liden, Mark Gowdy, and Ken Landau

R5-2002-0084 MOTION: By Mr. Longley, seconded by Mrs. Kablanow to approve the proposed NPDES order. Unanimously approved as amended.

R5-2002-0083 MOTION: By Mr. Brizard, seconded by Mrs. Alves to approve the Cease and Desist order. Unanimously approved by role call vote.

17. Forward Landfill, San Joaquin County - *Consideration of a Resolution for Approval of a Prescriptive Single Composite Liner for Use in a Class II Waste Management Unit*

A public hearing was held. Tom Pinkos presented the staff report. Additional testimony was presented by Bill Jennings.

R5-2002-0081 MOTION: By Mr. Longley, seconded by Mrs. Kablanow to approve the proposed resolution. Unanimously approved as amended.

18. Fruitridge Road Land Company, L and D Landfill Limited Partnership, L and D Landfill, Limited Class III Landfill, Sacramento County - *Consideration of Revised Waste Discharge Requirements*

A public hearing was held. Additional testimony was presented by Mike Lien.

R5-2002-0082

MOTION: By Mr. Longley, seconded by Mr. Fong to approve the proposed order as amended. Unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned to the 6/7 June Regular Board Meeting in Sacramento.