

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
SAN DIEGO REGION
Board Meeting Room
2375 Northside Drive, Suite 108
San Diego, California

MINUTES OF MEETING
JULY 20, 2015

At 9:00 a.m., Chairman Abarbanel called to order the special meeting of the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region (San Diego Water Board) at the Board Meeting Room, 2375 Northside Drive, Suite 108, San Diego, California.

Item 1 – Roll Call and Introductions

Board Members present: Henry Abarbanel, Betty Olson, Gary Strawn, Stefanie Warren.

Board Members absent: Eric Anderson, Tomas Morales

Staff Present: David Gibson, James Smith, Chris Blank, Lalitha Thotakura, John Odermatt, Lucas Lima, Melissa Valdovinos, Julie Chan, Laurie Walsh, Brandi Outwin-Beals, David Barker, Chiara Clemente, Kelly Dorsey, Cynthia Gorham, Lori Costa, Chad Loflen, Helen Yu, Betty Fetscher.

Others present on behalf of the San Diego Water Board: State Water Resources Control Board – Rob Egel, Catherine Hagan.

Public Attendance: Congressman Scott Peters; Assemblymember Rocky Chavez; Lee Brown, CSUSM; Antonia Estevez-Olea, Larry Walker Associates; Brian Elliott, Congressman Scott Peters; James Covell, State Senator Joel Anderson; Sally Roney; Toddy Snyder, County of San Diego; Tom Stinson, Assemblymember Marie Waldron; Bryn Evans, Dudek; Chris Peregrin, California State Parks; Clark Dawson, New Utilities; De Ellen Brasher, Navy Region SW; Seevani Bista, City of San Diego; Art Gray, CP Kelso; Katelyn Hailey, Senator Marty Block; Janine Pairis, Congressman Juan Vargas; Lucas Donner, Assemblymember Lorena Gonzalez; Meena Westford, Metropolitan Water District; Adaline Woodard, Congressman Darrell Issa; Rob Knudsen, Assemblymember Brian Maienschein; Cecilia Tipton, City of Santee; Bill Christiansen, Congressman Darrell Issa.

Item 2 – Public Forum

Sally Roney spoke regarding a dispute with the City of Escondido concerning the MS4 Permit pollution control measures.

Dr. Lee Brown of California State University San Marcos introduced a new course of study offered by the University that addresses water quality management.

Item 3 – Discussion Item: Legislators’ Water Quality Summit. The San Diego Water Board will hear from Legislators about issues concerning water quality and water supply in the San Diego Region and may discuss challenges facing the Board and the Region and may discuss appropriate goals and priorities to protect water quality. This is a discussion item only; no action will be taken. Public comment will be allowed and time limits may be used at the discretion of the Chair.

Congressman Scott Peters and State Assemblymember Rocky Chavez introduced themselves and encouraged participation in the discussion.

Chair Abarbanel introduced Rob Egel, Director of Legislative Affairs for the State Water Board, who then provided an overview of State and Regional Board procedures. Mr. Egel also spoke about the key issues in the current State legislative session and then opened the floor for discussion of new ideas for consideration in the 2015/16 California legislative session.

Board Members, staff, stakeholders, and legislators participated in the discussion.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:58 a.m.

These minutes were prepared by:

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