At 9:00 a.m., Chairman Morales called to order the meeting of the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region (SDRWQCB) at the Regional Water Quality Control Board, 2375 Northside Drive, San Diego, California.

**Item 1 – Roll Call and Introductions**


**Public Attendance:** Chris Haynes, Navy; Katie Payne, Nautilus Environmental; John Shaffer, EEC; Clell E. Swanson; Gary Merrill, Genentech, Inc.; Paloma Aguirre, WiLDCOAST; Beth Breitenbach, Haley & Aldrich; Clarissa Falcon, BioMed Realty; Paul Hartman, LWA; Jason Uhley, RCFC & WCD; Joann Weber, County of San Diego; Peter Martin, City of San Diego Public Utilities; Mike Welch; Wayne Rosenbaum, Opper & Varco, LLC; Kathy Smith, United Unitarian Justice Ministry; Jason Giffen, Port of San Diego; Toby Roy, San Diego County Water Authority.

**Item 2 – Public Forum**

- Wayne Rosenbaum – Penasquitos Watershed
- Chris Haynes – Invitation to Cleanup at N.B.C.
- Kathy Smith – Unitarian Justice Committee, integration of Drinking Water program of DPH with SWB.

**Item 3 – Minutes of Board Meeting: December 11, 2013.**

Mr. Strawn moved to adopt the minutes, and Mr. Anderson seconded the motion. The minutes were approved by unanimous vote.
**Item 4** – Chairman’s, Board Members’, State Water Board liaison’s, and Executive Officer’s Reports. These items are for Board discussion only. No public testimony will be allowed, and the Board will take no formal action.

- Mr. Smith presented the idea of cancelling the March Board meeting in favor of a public workshop for the IBWC permit reissuance, which is set to come before the Board later this year.
- Dr. Abarbanel had some questions about the fracking item in the Executive Officer’s report, which Ms. Chan answered.
- Ms. Warren thanked the staff for the work on the UCSD presentation in late January.
- Mr. Anderson thanked staff for their efforts to keep Board members engaged in public outreach and other aspects of their regulatory work.
- Mr. Strawn spoke about his work with the homeless project on the San Diego River.
- Mr. Morales recognized and thanked Carol Tamaki, Deborah Jayne, and Julie Chan for 25 years of service to the State.

**Consent Calendar:** Item 5 is considered a non-controversial issue. *(NOTE: If there is public interest, concern, or discussion regarding any consent calendar item or a request for a public hearing, then the item(s) will be removed from the consent calendar and considered after all other agenda items have been completed.)*

**Item 5** – NPDES Permit Reissuance: Waste Discharge Requirements for Genentech, Inc. Discharge to the Pacific Ocean via the Oceanside Ocean Outfall (Tentative Order No. R9-2014-0004, NPDES Permit No. CA0109193). *(Michelle Mata)*

A motion to adopt the Consent Calendar was made by Mr. Strawn and seconded by Dr. Abarbanel. The Consent Calendar was adopted by unanimous vote.

**Remainder of the Agenda (Non-Consent Items):**

**Item 6** – Workshop: Regional Board Workshop on Annual Priorities. *(David Gibson)*

- Mr. Smith introduced the item and provided an overview of what the discussion would entail.
- Ms. Chan explained the work of the groundwater protection branch and provided an overview of the branch’s goals for the coming year.
- Mr. Barker introduced the surface water branch, explained its mission, and spoke about the goals of the branch for the year.
- Mr. Haas spoke about the healthy waters branch, introducing the staff, explaining its work, and addressed the goals of the branch for the year.

Board members asked questions about the branches, and staff answered those questions.
Mr. Morales called a recess at 11:12 a.m. and reconvened the meeting at 11:35 a.m.

The following people addressed the Board regarding priorities for the year:

- Jason Uhley, Chief of Watershed Protection for Riverside County;
- Jason Giffen, Director of Environmental & Land Use Management for the Port of San Diego;
- Toby Roy, Water Resources Manager for San Diego County Water Authority.

Board members and staff discussed the role of the Board and the goals and priorities for the year.

Mr. Morales called a recess at 1:04 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 1:16 p.m.

**Item 7** – Election of Regional Board Chair and Vice Chair for 2014. (David Gibson)

Mr. Strawn nominated Dr. Abarbanel as Chair, and Dr. Abarbanel was elected Chair by unanimous vote.

Mr. Anderson nominated Mr. Strawn for Vice Chair, and Mr. Strawn was elected by unanimous vote.

**Item 8** – CLOSED SESSION

The Board may meet in closed session to consider personnel matters [Authority: Government Code Section 11126(a)]; to deliberate on a decision to be reached based upon evidence introduced in a hearing [Authority: Government Code Section 11126(c)(3)]; or to discuss matters in litigation, including discussion of initiated litigation, significant exposure to litigation, or decisions to initiate litigation [Authority: Government Code Section 11126(3)]. Litigation items that may be discussed are listed below by the type of item:

**Civil Actions (Judicial and Administrative, other than Petitions for Review filed with the State Water Board)**

a. *In re: Test Claim on California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region, Order No. R9-2007-001, (NPDES No. CAS0108758) Waste Discharge Requirements for Discharges of Urban Runoff from the Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4s) Draining the Watersheds of the County of San Diego, the Incorporated Cities of San Diego County, the San Diego Unified Port District, and the San Diego County Regional Airport Authority adopted on January 24, 2007. Test Claim filed by San Diego County, et al., with Commission on State Mandates, No. 07-TC-09 (filed June 2008).* (Catherine George Hagan)


e. Test Claim on California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region, Order No. R9-2010-0016 (NPDES No. CAS0108766) adopted November 10, 2010, County of Riverside, Riverside County Flood Control and Water Conservation District, and the Cities of Murrieta, Temecula and Wildomar, Co-Claimants, filed with Commission on State Mandates, No. 11-TC-03 (filed November 2011). (Catherine George Hagan)


Petitions for Review Pending Before State Water Resources Control Board¹

g. Petitions of the National Fireworks Association and Fireworks & Stage FX America Inc., Coastal Environmental Rights Foundation, and San Diego Coastkeeper (General National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit Order No. R9-2011-0022 (NPDES No. CAG999002) for Residual Firework Pollutant Waste Discharges to Waters of the United States in the San Diego Region from the Public Display of Fireworks), SWRCB/OCC Files A-2164(a)-(c), filed June and July 2011. (Michelle Mata)

¹ Petitions for review of San Diego Water Board actions or inactions filed with the State Water Board being held in abeyance by the State Water Board are not listed in the agenda. The titles of these matters are available at the San Diego Water Board. Please contact Catherine George Hagan at catherine.hagan@waterboards.ca.gov or 619-521-3012 for more information.


m. Petition of South Laguna Civic Association for Review of Order No. R9-2012-0013, NPDES No. CA0107611, NPDES Permit Reissuance: South Orange County Waste Authority, Discharges to the Pacific Ocean via Aliso Creek Ocean Outfall, adopted April 11, 2012, SWRCB/OCC File A-2211, filed May 2012. (Joann Lim)


o. Petitions for Review of Regional Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System Order No. R9-2013-0001 (NPDES No. CAS0109266), adopted May 8, 2013, filed by (1) San Diego County Regional Airport Authority (stay requested),
(2) City of Lake Forest (abeyance request), (3) City of Aliso Viejo (abeyance request), (4) City of Laguna Hills (abeyance request), (5) City of Rancho Santa Margarita (abeyance request), (6) City of Chula Vista, (7) City of National City, (8) Riverside County Flood Control and Water Conservation District, the County of Riverside, and the Cities of Murrieta, Temecula, and Wildomar (abeyance request), (9) City of Dana Point (abeyance request), (10) City of Mission Viejo (abeyance request), (11) City of San Clemente (abeyance request), (12) County of Orange and Orange County Flood Control District (abeyance request), (13) San Diego Unified Port District, (14) City of San Diego (abeyance request), (15) County of San Diego, and (16) City of Laguna Niguel. (Wayne Chiu)


r. Petition of Donan Environmental Services, Inc., Cleanup and Abatement Order No. R9-2013-0022 at the Site of the Former Santa Ysabel Chevron Station, 30350 Highway 78, Santa Ysabel, San Diego County, September 18, 2013, SWRCB/OCC File A-2277, filed October 2013. (Sean McClain)

The closed session was not held.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:30 p.m.

These minutes were prepared by: Signed by:

Chris Blank
Executive Assistant James Smith
Assistant Executive Officer