



**STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD**  
**BOARD MEETING MINUTES**  
**TUESDAY, JUNE 4, 2024**  
**COASTAL HEARING ROOM**

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**CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Joaquin Esquivel called the meeting to order on Tuesday, June 4, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. with both a physical meeting location and remote location.

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

Chair E. Joaquin Esquivel; Vice Chair Dorene D'Adamo; Member Sean Maguire; Member Laurel Firestone; Member Nichole Morgan (remote)

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT**

None

**EXECUTIVE STAFF PRESENT**

Michael Lauffer, Chief Counsel  
Eric Oppenheimer, Executive Director  
Jonathan Bishop, Chief Deputy Director  
Karen Mogus, Chief Deputy Director  
Courtney Tyler, Clerk to the Board  
Marji Arjil, Assistant Clerk to the Board

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Instructions were given in regard to participating in the Remote Meeting.
- The Board meeting is being webcasted and recorded.

**TUESDAY, JUNE 4, 2024**

**BOARD MEETING**

***Public comments on agenda items will be limited to 5 minutes  
or otherwise at the discretion of the Board Chair***

## **PRESENTATION OF SUPERIOR ACCOMPLISHMENT AWARD**

*Erik Ekdahl, Deputy Director of the Division of Water Rights, presented a Superior Accomplishment Award to Matt McCarthy. He also presented an award to the Groundwater Recharge Team consisting of: Mike Conway, Amanda Montgomery, Erica Thompson, Greg Brown, Benjamin McCovery, Julian Storelli, Shelby Witherby, and David Rose.*

## **PUBLIC FORUM**

***(Approximately 30 minutes at the beginning of Board Meeting and any remaining speakers at the call of the Chair)***

Any member of the public may address and ask questions of the Board relating to any matter within the State Water Resources Control Board's jurisdiction provided the matter is not on the agenda or pending before the State Water Board or any California Regional Water Quality Control Board.

### **No Action Taken**

#### **Commenters**

*Ray Tahir, TECS Environmental*

*Derek Yurosek, Kern Subbasin Coordination Committee Chair*

## **BOARD BUSINESS**

1. The Board will consider adoption of the May 21-22, 2024 Board Meeting minutes.

**Motion:** Vice Chair D'Adamo moved to adopt the May 21-22, 2024 Board Meeting minutes

**Seconded by:** Board Member Firestone

**MOTION CARRIED** ([June 4, 2024](#))

**Aye:** Chair Esquivel  
Vice Chair D'Adamo  
Member Maguire  
Member Firestone  
Member Morgan

**Nay:** None

**Absent:** None

**Abstain:** None

## **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

2. Current Hydrologic Conditions and Response.  
*Staff Presenting: Jessica Bean*

### **No Action Taken**

### **Commenters**

None

3. Informational Item on the 2024 Report of the Statewide Advisory Committee on Cooling Water Intake Structures.

*Staff Presenting: Jonathan Dolan, Kat Faick, Aleecia Gutierrez (CEC), Leuwam Tesfai (CPUC), Katherine Rubin (LADWP), Stephanie Kato (CARB), Denis Obiang (LADWP), Glenn Barry (LADWP), Allan Le (CEC), Lan Ma (CARB), Natalie Guishar (CPUC), David Erne (CEC), Nicole Dobroski (CSLC)*

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### **No Action Taken**

### **Commenters**

*Teresa Cheng, Regenerate California Coalition*

4. Annual climate update with consideration to initiate a process to develop a new climate resolution.

*Staff Presenting: James Nachbaur, Chris Hyun, Garrett Lenahan*

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### **No Action Taken**

### **Commenters**

*Jared Voskuhl, California Association of Sanitation Agencies*

## **BOARD HEARING**

### **DIVISION OF WATER QUALITY**

5. Board hearing on a revised proposed draft policy to standardize cost reporting in municipal stormwater permits.

*Staff Presenting: Amanda Magee, Nabiul Afrooz, Catherine Hagan*

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- Written Comments are due by noon on June 25, 2024

### **No Action Taken**

### **Commenters**

*Karen Cowan, California Stormwater Quality Association*

*Dagmara Saini, City of Stockton, CA*

*John Hunter, Lower Los Angeles River Watershed Group*

*Sean Bothwell, California Coastkeeper Alliance and on behalf of Los Angeles Waterkeeper*

*Lisa Moretti, Sacramento Stormwater Quality Partnership*

## **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

6. Board Member Reports.

### **No Action Taken**

For full details on each Board Member report, please review the video at [Board Videos | California State Water Resources Control Board](#). It begins at 3:23:35 on the video for the June 4, 2024 Board Meeting.

7. [Executive Director's Report](#).

### **No Action Taken**

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The Board adjourned at 11:51 a.m

## **CLOSED SESSION**

Closed Sessions are not open to the Public

## **ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS OFFICE/ DIVISION OF WATER RIGHTS**

The Board may meet in closed session to deliberate on procedural or substantive decisions to be reached in the proceeding to consider the petition for partial assignment of state-filed Application 25517, accompanying water right Application 25517X01, and petitions for release from priority of state-filed Applications 25513, 25514, 25517 (unassigned portion), 22235, 23780, and 23781 in favor of water right Application 25517X01 filed by the Sites Project Authority. (This closed session is authorized under Government Code section 11126, subdivision (c)(3).)

**The Board did not meet in Closed Session on the above item.**

## **OFFICE OF CHIEF COUNSEL**

The Board will meet in closed session to discuss the status of and receive legal advice concerning a complaint filed against the Board pursuant to Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 42 U.S.C. §§ 2000(d) *et seq.*, and the United States Environmental Protection Agency's nondiscrimination regulation, at 40 C.F.R. Part 7, pertaining to the Board's water quality standards setting in the San Francisco Bay/Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta watershed (EPA File No. 01RNO-23-R9). (This closed session is authorized under Government Code section 11126, subdivision (e).)

**The Board did not meet in Closed Session on the above item.**

## **IMPORTANT INFORMATION!!**

Unless otherwise specified, submittal of written comments **must be received by 12:00 p.m. (Noon) on May 30, 2024 and will not be accepted after that time.**

Submittal of electronic PowerPoint presentations **must be received by 12:00 p.m. (Noon) on May 30, 2024 and will not be accepted after that time.**

Submittals are to be sent via e-mail to the Clerk to the Board at [commentletters@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:commentletters@waterboards.ca.gov). Please indicate in the subject line, **06/04/2024 BOARD MEETING – ITEM # (fill in bolded subject from appropriate item).**

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\*Items on the uncontested items calendar may be removed at the request of any Board Member or person. If an item is removed from the uncontested items calendar, it will only be voted on at this meeting if the Board accepts the staff recommendation for the agenda item. Otherwise, the item will be continued to a subsequent board meeting to allow input by interested persons.

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