



**MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING**  
 September 30, TOUR  
 October 1, 2015, 9:00 a.m.  
 October 2, 2015, 9:00 a.m.  
 Central Valley Regional Water Board  
 11020 Sun Center Drive, Suite 200

**WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 30, 11:00 A.M. TOUR**

On Wednesday, 30 September 2015, Members of the Central Valley Water Board participated in a field tour at the Battle Creek Watershed. The topics were as follows:

- Coleman National Fish Hatchery
- Battle Creek Salmon and Steelhead Restoration Project
- In-Stream Sediment Impacts to South Fork Battle Creek
- Controllable Sediment Sources in the Watershed
- Post-Fire Challenges
- Post-Fire Effects and Land Management

**TOUR ATTENDEES**

**BOARD MEMBERS**

Kadara, Denise, Vice-Chair	Longley, Karl, Chair	Costantino, Jon	
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**STAFF**

Edmunds, Shane	Letton, Ben	Snyder, Clint	Wilson, Angela
Hansen, Cori	Perea, Griffin		

**STATE WATER BOARD STAFF**

Hann, Paul	Mascia, Jeanne	Marquis, Chris	
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**OTHERS PRESENT**

Bishop, Kathy	Battle Creek Watershed Conservancy
Brown, Kurt	U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
Brown, Matt	U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
Kayode, Kadara	Self
Croteau, Joe	Department of Fish and Game
Debonis, Steve	Sierra Pacific Industries
Ferrell, Amber	Battle Creek Watershed Conservancy
Griffith-Flatter, Julie	Sierra Nevada Conservancy
Heiman, Dennis	Western Shasta
Killam, Doug	Department of Fish and Game
Marshall, Mary	Bureau of Reclamation
Mitzel, Mike	Sierra Pacific Industries
Pederson	CAL FIRE
Rossi, Elizabeth	PG&E and Greater Battlecreek Watershed Conservancy
Sorrels, Bob	Self
Tussing, Steve	Battle Creek Watershed Conservancy

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2015**

Chair, Dr. Longley called to order the 540th Board Meeting of the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region at the City of Redding, 777 Cypress Avenue, Redding, CA

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

Kadara, Denise, Vice-Chair	Longley, Karl, Chair	Schneider, Robert	
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**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT**

Costantino, Jon	Ramirez, Carmen		
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**STATE BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

None			
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**STATE BOARD OFFICE OF CHIEF COUNSEL STAFF AND OTHER STAFF PRESENT**

Jacobsen, Nathan	Pulupa, Patrick	West, Yvonne	Hann, Paul
Barajas, Miriam			

**STAFF PRESENT**

Altevogt, Andrew	Creedon, Pamela	Laputz, Adam	Pfeiffer, Kevin
Bergmann, William	Hallis, Deborah	Letton, Ben	Smith, Bryan
Braidman, Brett	Hampton, Ashley	Matthews, Jacqueline	Snyder, Clint
Chetelat, Guy	Hansen, Cori	Molitoris, Lauria	Tabor, Rebecca
Coster, Lynn	Lanfranchi, Kiran	Pagan, Jeremy	Wilson, Angela

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Auffant, Abby	Flesher, Doug	Jones, Mark	Tenbert, Ryan
Carlton, Gary	Gray, Christena	Rossi, Elizabeth	Tomascheski, Dan
Diamond, Richard	Griffith, Julie	Smith, Jim	Tussing, Steve

**AGENDA ITEM 3  
BOARD MEMBER COMMUNICATIONS**

Chair Longley mentioned that he will give his communications tomorrow

**AGENDA ITEM 4  
PUBLIC FORUM**

No one present

**AGENDA ITEM 5  
EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT**

Dr. Longley commented on Item 4, under Success Stories, which referred to the newly-adopted Record of Decision (ROD) for the Aerojet Superfund Site. The new ROD (the third thus far for the Site) describes how soil in portions of the Site can be cleaned up to the point where development can occur. He said that the Board has been working on this since 1979. He noted that the next challenge was to find the funds to implement the ROD.

He also commented on the work on the Delta Methylmercury Control Program. He said this was critical. This is another issue which will never leave the Board's agenda, given the complexity of the problem.

He pointed to a diagram on page 40 of the Executive Officer's Report. (Rice Pesticides Program) He said that he would like an update on this item as an informational item on the future board agenda.

Executive Officer Pamela Creedon noted that McClellan Air Force Base is also in the EO Report under success stories. A private vendor is responsible for the cleanup, but the Federal Government is still involved. She said that we have been able to expedite some of that cleanup work on that project. She thanked staff, Alex MacDonald, who is working on the Aerojet project, and James Taylor, who has been working on the McClellan project, for their outstanding job on these projects.

## **NPDES PERMIT**

### **AGENDA ITEM 6**

A U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Reclamation, Sliger Mine, El Dorado County – *Consideration of NPDES Permit Renewal (NPDES Permit CA0084905) (This item was moved to Friday)*

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

### **AGENDA ITEM 7**

Onsite Waste Treatment Systems (OWTS) Policy Update, Implementation to Date– *Informational item only*

Eric Rapport, Senior Engineering Geologist in the Fresno Office presented the staff report. Executive Officer Creedon said that one of the reasons for this report was to inform the Board that there will be some significant Board deadlines to meet, as many counties will come to the Board with Local Agency Management Programs (LAMPs) that will need Board approval in the coming year. She told the Board that Eric had done an outstanding job in working with the county and public health directors in getting their consensus on many of the issues.

### **AGENDA ITEM 8**

Mining Program Update –*Informational Item Only*

Marty Hartzell, Senior Engineering Geologist in the Sacramento office presented the staff report. Robert Busby, Program Manager in the Sacramento office, provided an update on the Mining Program Management. Executive Officer Creedon, Senior Legal Counsel Pulupa, and Assistant Executive Officer Snyder answered questions for the Board. Phil Woodward, former employee of the Central Valley Regional Water Board in the Redding office, made additional comments.

### **AGENDA ITEM 9**

Recycling of Oil Field Produced Water - *Informational Item only*

Clay Rodgers, Assistant Executive Officer in the Fresno office, presented the staff report

#### **Presentation by California Resources Corporation**

Richard Diamond, (General Manager of North Kern Water Storage District) gave background on the North Kern Water Storage District and introduced Mark Jones, who gave a presentation

#### **Cawelo Water District**

David Ansolabehere (General Manager Cawelo Water District)

The Board noted that the use of Oil Field Produced Water to meet water needs in the southern part of the Central Valley and ensure food safety will continue to be a critical issue. Proposal to convene a two-person committee that will consult with and work with the Executive Officer and the Assistant Executive Officer on food safety committee as needed. Member Schneider nominated Chair Longley and Vice-Chair Kadara to be on the committee.

### **AGENDA ITEM 10**

#### **NPDES PERMIT**

City of Redding-*Consideration of Amendment of Order R5-2012-0112 (This item was moved to Friday)*

### **AGENDA ITEM 11**

Proposed Development of a Watershed Based Plan for Battle Creek, Shasta and Tehama Counties - *Informational Item Only*

Ben Letton, Engineering Geologist in the Redding office, presented the staff report. The Board generally expressed support for watershed-based planning, particularly to deal with issues such as fire-related sedimentation and erosion, and impacts from forest roads.

**Presentations by Interested Parties:**

Paul Hann (State Water Board) provided an overview of the State Water Board's involvement/role in Watershed Based Planning (WBP) and committed State Water Board staff resources to assist in the development of a WBP for the Battle Creek Watershed.

Steve Tussing (Battle Creek Watershed Conservancy (BCWC)) described the role of the BCWC in Battle Creek and emphasized the need for a more comprehensive and holistic plan for the watershed. He feels that a WBP will be a good opportunity to work collaboratively with the Water Board and hopefully bring more grant dollars and funding to the watershed.

Dan Tomascheski (Vice President, Sierra Pacific Industries (SPI)) described the management difficulties that they have been experiencing in Battle Creek post-fire. He also provided verbal support for the WBP and said that it is needed in Battle Creek.

Elizabeth Rossi (Pacific Gas & Electric (PG&E)) provided a speaker card that reiterated many of the comments provided by other speakers in support of the WBP.

Julie Griffith-Flatter (Sierra Nevada Conservancy) expressed interest in the process and provided verbal support of the WBP development and process. She emphasized the need for more coordination with the Water Boards in general.

**AGENDA ITEM 12**

Storm Water Program – *Background and Status Update*

Bryan Smith, Supervising Engineer in the Redding office, presented the staff report, which contained background and an update on activities and issues in the Region's Storm Water program

Board Meeting adjourned at 3.22 p.m. to the next day

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2015 – 9:00 A.M.**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chair, Dr. Longley called to order the 540<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting of the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region 11020 Sun Center Drive, Suite 200, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

Costantino, Jon	Kadara, Denise, Vice-Chair	Longley, Karl, Chair	Schneider, Robert
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**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT**

Ramirez, Carmen			
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**STATE BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

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**STATE BOARD STAFF PRESENT STAFF PRESENT**

Hann, Paul	Jacobsen, Nathan	Pulupa, Nathan	
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**STAFF PRESENT**

Altevogt, Andrew	Day, George	Laputz, Adam	Sherrell, Trey
Bergmann, William	Falkowski, Ron	Letton, Ben	Smith, Bryan
Braidman, Brett	Giado, Monique	Low, George	Snyder, Clint
Chandler, Zack	Hampton, Ashley	Molitoris, Lauria	Tabor, Rebecca
Coster, Lynn	Hansen, Cori	Rodgers, Clay	Wilson, Angela
Creedon, Pamela			

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Green, Michael	Heaton, Staci	Kramer, Josh	Williams, Bob
Hartman, Janessa	Keeseey, Crystal	Tomaszewski, Caslin	Woodward, Phil

**APPROVAL OF THE JULY 30/31 BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

*Motion to approve the minutes of the July 30/31 Board Meeting  
Made by Member Costantino  
Seconded by Vice-Chair Kadara  
Member Costantino-Yea  
Member Schneider-Yea  
Vice Chair Kadara-Yea  
Chair Longley-Yea  
Approved by Roll Call Vote of 4-0-0*

**AGENDA ITEM 15**

**BOARD MEMBER COMMUNICATIONS**

Member Costantino said that he was on the Battle Creek Watershed tour a couple of days ago. He thanked Clint Snyder, Assistant Executive Officer in the Redding office, and his staff for coordinating this tour

Chair Longley attended the CV Salts Executive Committee Meeting in Sacramento. On 20<sup>th</sup> August, he presented an overview of CV Salts to the Fresno Branch of the American Society of Civil Engineers.

**AGENDA ITEM 16**

**STATE BOARD LIAISON UPDATE**

There was nothing to report

**AGENDA ITEM 17**

**PUBLIC FORUM**

No one was present to comment on any item which was not on the agenda

**AGENDA ITEM 18  
EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT**

Executive Officer Creedon informed the Board that due to significant noncompliance issues at Caltrans' construction sites she has been meeting annually since 2013 with the District Directors of Caltrans that are within our Regional Board. Because of the compliance issues she believed engaging the Directors to discuss their issues and concerns would help compel Caltrans to achieve compliance. Her next meeting with the Directors is scheduled in October. She also reported that since her meetings with the Directors there have been significant improvements in compliance.

Executive Officer presented the Superior Accomplishment award to Lauria Molitoris, Staff Services Analyst in the Redding office

**AGENDA ITEM 19  
DISCUSS BOARD MEETING CALENDAR FOR 2016**

The Board approved the dates for the 2016 Board meeting calendar as proposed by staff.

**AGENDA ITEM 20**

The Board adopted uncontested agenda items 22 through 26.

**UNCONTESTED ITEMS**

**ENFORCEMENT**

**AGENDA ITEM 22**

Sierra Nevada Cheese Company, Inc., and Gregersen Properties LLC, Cheese Production Facility, Glenn County, *Consideration of Cease and Desist Order*

**WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS**

**AGENDA ITEM 23**

- a. Limited modifications to the following Third-party Group Waste Discharge Requirements General Orders to allow designated representatives to attend outreach events (Revision to the following Orders):
  - i. Growers within the Eastern San Joaquin River Watershed, Order R5-2012-0116-R3
  - ii. Growers within the Tulare Lake Basin Area, Order R5-2013-0120-R1
  - iii. Growers within the Western Tulare Lake Basin Area, Order R5-2014-0001
  - iv. Growers within the Western San Joaquin River Watershed, Order R5-2014-0002-R2
  - v. Growers within the Sacramento River Watershed Area, Order R5-2014-0030-R1
  - vi. Sacramento Valley Rice Growers, Order R5-2014-0032
- b. Kern Ridge Growers, LLC and Larry R. Cox and Joan W. Cox, as Trustees of the Cox Family Trust of 2014, Degiorgio Facility, Kern County (New)
- c. Sunview Marketing International, dba Sunview Dried Fruit & Nut Company and Z4G, LLC, Del Rey Dehydrator Facility, Fresno County (New)

**WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS – RESCISSIONS**

**AGENDA ITEM 24**

- a. Anderson-Cottonwood Irrigation District, Shasta and Tehama Counties, *Order 87-110*
- b. Aramark Uniform Services, Inc., and Kirshbaum Family Holdings, Fresno County, *Order 99-028*
- c. Sound Stud Sawmill, Shasta County, *Order R5-2003-0136*
- d. United Parcel Service, Shasta County, *Order 00-262*

**25. NPDES PERMITS AND TIME SCHEDULE ORDERS RESCISSIONS**

- a. Planada Community Services District, Planada Wastewater Treatment Facility, Merced County, Order R5-2011-0042 (NPDES CA0078950) and Time Schedule Order R5-2011-0043
- b. Rockwell Automation, Inc. et al., Groundwater Cleanup System, Tulare County, Order R5-2011-0013 (NPDES CA0082708) and Time Schedule Order R5-2011-0014

**26. CHANGE OF NAME/OWNERSHIP**

- a. The Wonderful Company, LLC, Wonderful Pistachios & Almonds LLC, Kern County, Order 99-075
- b. Wonderful Pistachios & Almonds, LLC, Kern County, Order R5-2013-0151

*Motion to adopt the uncontested items 22 through 26  
 Made by Vice-Chair Kadara  
 Seconded by Member Schneider  
 Member Schneider-Yea  
 Member Costantino-Yea  
 Vice-Chair Kadara-Yea  
 Chair Longley-Yea  
 Approved by Roll Call Vote of 4-0-0*

**CONTESTED CALENDAR**

**AGENDA ITEM 6**

A U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Reclamation, Sliger Mine, El Dorado County – *Consideration of NPDES Permit Renewal (NPDES Permit CA0084905) (This item was moved from Thursday)*

There was no one present to contest or comment on this item. The Board adopted this order based on staff report on record.

*Motion to adopt NPDES Permit  
 Made by Member Costantino  
 Seconded by Member Schneider  
 Member Costantino-Yea  
 Member Schneider-Yea  
 Vice-Chair Kadara-Yea  
 Chair Longley-Yea  
 Approved by Roll Call Vote of 4-0-0*

**AGENDA ITEM 10  
 NPDES PERMIT**

City of Redding-*Consideration of Amendment of Order R5-2012-0112 (This item was moved from Thursday)*

There was no one present to contest or comment on this item. The Board adopted this order based on staff report on record.

*Motion to adopt the NPDES Permit  
 Made by Member Costantino  
 Seconded by Member Schneider  
 Member Costantino-Yea  
 Member Schneider-Yea  
 Vice-Chair Kadara-Yea  
 Chair Longley-Yea  
 Approved by Roll Call Vote of 4-0-0*

**WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS  
AGENDA ITEM 20**

General Order for Discharges of Waste from Medicinal Cannabis Cultivation in the Central Valley Region –  
*Consideration of adoption of New General Order*

Trey Sherrell, Environmental Scientist in the Redding office, presented the staff report. Patrick Pulupa, Senior Legal Counsel, and Clint Snyder, Assistant Executive Officer in the Redding office, gave clarifying answers to the Board. Yvonne West, Attorney IV from the Office of Enforcement, made additional comments

**Testimony by Interested parties:**

Bob Williams (Rural County Representatives of California)  
Staci Heaton (Rural County Representatives of California)  
Caslin Tomaszewski (Calaveras Cannabis Alliance)  
Michael Green (Fresno Cannabis Association)

*Motion to adopt the General Order with late revisions  
Made by Member Schneider  
Seconded by Member Vice-Chair Kadara  
Member Costantino-Yea  
Member Schneider-Yea  
Vice-Chair Kadara-Yea  
Chair Longley-Yea  
Approved by Roll Call Vote of 4-0-0*

**LUNCH-CLOSED SESSION**

The Board recessed for lunch at 11:55 p.m. to discuss the following items:

- Litigation in the San Joaquin Superior Court involving the Board and Tosta Dairy
- Consider Initiating litigation against separate entities

The Board Meeting adjourned at 1:20 p.m. to the December 10/11, 2015 meeting  
Submitted by Kiran Lanfranchi-Rizzardi  
Clerk to the Board