



## **Lahontan Regional Water Quality Control Board**

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### **MEETING AGENDA**

January 14-15, 2015

Lahontan Water Board Annex, Hearing Room & Lake Tahoe Community College

Wednesday, January 14, 2015

Lahontan Water Board Annex, Hearing Room 971 Silver Dollar Avenue South Lake Tahoe, CA 96150

Regular Meeting: 3:00 p.m.

Dinner: 5:00 p.m.

Regular Meeting Continued: 7:00 p.m.

Thursday, January 15, 2015

Lake Tahoe Community College Board Room South Lake Tahoe, CA 96150 1 College Drive South Lake Tahoe, CA 96150

Regular Meeting Continued – Climate Change Workshop:

8:30 a.m.

**Note:** A quorum of the Water Board will be dining on Wednesday, January 14, 2015, at 5:00 p.m. at Scusa Italian Ristorante, 2543 Lake Tahoe Blvd, South Lake Tahoe, CA 96150. The Water Board will not be discussing anything related to the Board's authority during this dinner.

## **Supporting Documents:**

Supporting documents for agenda items are posted on our website at least 10 days prior to the scheduled meeting. If you wish to be added to the interested parties list for a specific agenda item, please contact the staff person listed with the item in the agenda announcement. To view or download documents, go to <a href="www.waterboards.ca.gov/lahontan">www.waterboards.ca.gov/lahontan</a>. (See note below for information on the timing for submitting comments.)

AMY L. HORNE PHD, CHAIR | PATTY Z. KOUYOUMDJIAN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER

### Submittal of Written Material for Water Board Consideration:

Comments on individual items are welcome and encouraged. Written comments on an agenda item must be submitted on or before the due date listed in the hearing notice associated with the agenda item. Hearing notices are distributed to persons who have indicated they want to receive information about a specific item and are posted on the Water Board's web site (www.waterboards.ca.gov/lahontan). For items that do not have a separate hearing notice with specific due dates, written comments must be submitted at least ten (10) days before the meeting. This allows time to distribute the material to Water Board members in advance of the meeting, providing the opportunity for the members to read and consider the information submitted. Pursuant to California Code of Regulations, Title 23, section 648.4, the Water Board may refuse to admit written testimony into evidence unless the proponent can demonstrate why he or she was unable to submit the material on time or that compliance with the deadline would otherwise create a hardship. If any other party demonstrates prejudice resulting from admission of the written testimony, the Water Board may refuse to admit it. A copy of the procedures governing Water Board meetings may be found at California Code of Regulations, Title 23, section 647 et seg., and is available upon request. Hearings before the Water Board are not conducted pursuant to Government Code section 11500 et seq.

The meeting room is accessible to people with disabilities. If you have special accommodations or language needs, please contact Sue Genera at least five days prior to the meeting date at (530) 542-5414 or <a href="mailto:square:squa

## **General Meeting Information:**

The following items are numbered for identification purposes only and will not necessarily be considered in this order. Public hearings will not be called to order prior to the time specified. It is likely that some of the items scheduled for Wednesday afternoon will carry-over into the evening session. If, due to time constraints, the Water Board is unable to consider all of the items scheduled for Wednesday, the item(s) not heard will be considered on Thursday. All Board files, exhibits, and agenda materials pertaining to items on this agenda are hereby made a part of the record for the appropriate item.

Anyone wishing to present a Microsoft PowerPoint® presentation during the meeting, using the Water Board's projector, must provide the presentation to the Water Board on either a CD or via email at least ten working days prior to the meeting. Please contact the staff person listed for the agenda item of interest.

# REGULAR MEETING: Wednesday, January 14, 2015 - 3:00 p.m.

## **INTRODUCTIONS**

### 1. PUBLIC FORUM

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## **OTHER BUSINESS**

2. Minutes (The Water Board will consider adopting the minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 12-13, 2014, in Barstow, CA) (Rebecca Phillips)

## **REPORTS**

- 3. Reports by Water Board Chair and Board Members
- 4. <u>Executive Officer's Report</u> (The Water Board will not be asked to take any formal action; however, it may provide direction to staff.) (Patty Z. Kouyoumdjian, Executive Officer)
  - Quarterly Violations Report
- 5. Heavenly Mountain Resort Epic Discovery Project, El Dorado County (Water Board staff will present the proposed project and status of environmental analysis. The Water Board will not be asked to take any formal action at this time; however, it may provide direction to staff.) (Bud Amorfini)

## REVISED WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS

6. \*Updated Waste Discharge Requirements for Susanville Village LLC's Susanville Mobile Home Park Wastewater Disposal Facility, Lassen County (The Water Board will consider adopting waste discharge requirements that include a time schedule requirement for submitting a technical report evaluating discharge impacts upon groundwater quality.) (Robert Tucker)

Note: The Board will recess for dinner from approximately 5-7 p.m.

# REGULAR MEETING CONTINUED: Wednesday, January 14, 2015 - 7:00 p.m.

### **ENFORCEMENT**

- 7. Public Hearing: Consideration of the Issuance of a Cease and Desist Order for Sheila M. Miner for the Discharge or Threatened Discharge of Waste in Violation of a Discharge Prohibition Specified by the Water Quality Control Plan for the Lahontan Region, and Rescission of Previously Issued Cease and Desist Order No. 6-91-591, Spalding Tract, Eagle Lake, Lassen County (The Water Board will hold a public hearing to receive testimony and non-evidentiary policy statements. Following the public hearing, the Water Board will consider adoption of a Cease and Desist Order (wastewater from onsite wastewater disposal system) for Sheila M. Miner, owner of Lassen County Assessor's Parcel No. 077-332-42-11 in the Spalding Tract subdivision at Eagle Lake. The Water Board may adopt the proposed Cease and Desist Order with or without modifications, or reject the proposed Cease and Desist Order.)
  (Lisa Scoralle)
- 8. Public Hearing: Consideration of the Issuance of a Cease and Desist Order for Cal Family Living Trust for the Discharge or Threatened Discharge of Waste in Violation of a Discharge Prohibition Specified by the Water Quality Control Plan for the Lahontan Region, Spalding Tract, Eagle Lake, Lassen County (The Water Board will hold a public hearing to receive testimony and non-evidentiary policy statements. Following the public hearing, the Water Board will consider adoption of a Cease and Desist Order (wastewater from onsite wastewater disposal system) for Cal Family Living Trust, owner of Lassen County Assessor's Parcel No. 077-273-40-11 in the Spalding Tract subdivision at Eagle Lake. The Water Board may adopt the proposed Cease and Desist Order with or without modifications, or reject the proposed Cease and Desist Order.) (Lisa Scoralle)

### OTHER BUSINESS

9. Marijuana Regulatory Program Development (The Board will hear a presentation from Cris Carrigan, Director, Office of Enforcement, State Water Resource Control Board, regarding the State and Regional Water Board's efforts to develop a new regulatory program addressing waste discharges associated with marijuana cultivation. Water Board staff will describe areas in the Lahontan Region affected by marijuana grows and associated water quality problems. The Board will not be asked to take any formal action; however, the Board will have an opportunity to ask questions and provide comments.) (Eric Taxer)

## 10. Election of Water Board Chair

## 11. CLOSED SESSION\*\*

- a. Discussion of Significant Exposure to Litigation. <u>Authority</u>: Government Code section 11126, subdivision (e)(2)(B)(i).
- b. Discussion to Decide Whether to Initiate Litigation. <u>Authority</u>: Government Code section 11126, subdivision (e)(2)(C)(i).
- Discussion of Litigation: People of the State of California ex rel. California Regional Water
   Quality Control Board, Lahontan Region v. Thomas E. Erickson et al., El Dorado Superior Court
   Case No. SC20010089. <u>Authority</u>: Government Code section 11126, subdivision (e).
- d. Discussion of Litigation (Petition for Review of Lahontan Water Board Action Filed with the State Water Resources Control Board): In the Matter of the Petition of the United State Department of Agriculture, Forest Service, Inyo National Forest for Review of Action by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Lahontan Region in Adopting Order No. R6T-2011-0009 Regarding Investigative Order for the United States Forest Service, Inyo National Forest, White Mountain Grazing Allotments (SWRCB/OCC File No. A-2151). <u>Authority</u>: Government Code section 11126, subdivision (e).
- e. Discussion of Litigation (Petition for Review of Lahontan Water Board Action Filed with the State Water Resources Control Board): In the Matter of the Petition of Flameling Dairy, Inc.; K&H Van Vliet Children LLC; and the Pacific Gas and Electric Company for Review of Action by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Lahontan Region in Issuing Cleanup and Abatement Order Nos. R6V-2008-0034, R6V-2008-0034A2 and R6V-2008-0034A3 and in issuing Investigative Order No. R6V-2010-0028, all regarding the Desert View Dairy (SWRCB/OCC File Nos. A-1975, A-2089(a), A-2115, and A-2153). Authority: Government Code section 11126, subdivision (e).
- f. Discussion of Litigation (Petition for Review of Lahontan Water Board Action Filed with the State Water Resources Control Board): In the Matter of the California Department of Transportation for Review of Water Code section 13267 Order No. R6T-2012-0014 dated March 29, 2012, Requiring Technical Reports for the Truckee River Water Quality Monitoring Program, Placer County (SWRCB/OCC File No. 2210). <u>Authority</u>: Government Code section 11126, subdivision (e).
- g. Discussion of Litigation (Petition for Review of Lahontan Water Board Action Filed with the State Water Resources Control Board): In the Matter of the Petition of Pacific Gas and Electric for Review of Amended Cleanup and Abatement Order No. R6V-2008-0002-A4 Requiring Pacific Gas and Electric Company to Clean Up and Abate Waste Discharges of Total and Hexavalent Chromium to the Groundwaters of the Mojave Hydrologic Unit (SWRCB/OCC File No. 2244). Authority: Government Code section 11126, subdivision (e).

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- h. Discussion of Litigation (Petition for Review of Lahontan Water Board Action Filed with the State Water Resources Control Board): In the Matter of Arimol Group, Inc. and Meadowbrook Cedar, Inc. for Review of Cleanup and Abatement Order No. R6V-2013-0078 for Arimol Group, Inc. and Meadowbrook Cedar, Inc., Lake Arrowhead, San Bernardino County (SWRCB/OCC File No. 2274). Authority: Government Code section 11126, subdivision (e).
- i. Discussion of Litigation (Petition for Review of Lahontan Water Board Action Filed with the State Water Resources Control Board): In the Matter of the Petition of Pacific Gas and Electric for Failure of Lahontan Water Board to Amend Cleanup and Amendment Order No. R6V-2011-0005A2 Concerning Changes to the Whole House Replacement Water Program And Plume Delineation Requirements for Hinkley Compressor Station at 35863 Fairview Road, Hinkley, San Bernardino County (SWRCB/OCC File No. 2286). <u>Authority</u>: Government Code section 11126, subdivision (e).
- j. Discussion of Litigation: "PG&E Compressor Stn.; Patty and Water Board v. Shah Bains & Family & Tenants," San Bernardino Superior Court Case No. CIVDS1412703. Authority; Government Code section 11126, subdivision (e).
- k. Discussion of Personnel Matters. <u>Authority</u>: Government Code section 11126, subdivision (a).

## REGULAR MEETING CONTINUED: Thursday, January 15, 2015 - 8:30 a.m.

### INTRODUCTIONS

### 12. PUBLIC FORUM

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<a href="http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/lahontan/board">http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/lahontan/board</a> info/agenda/upcoming.shtml#top/>.)

## **WORKSHOP**

13. <u>Climate Change Workshop</u> (Staff will lead a public workshop to present the latest scientific findings on the expected climate change effects and explore the various regulatory tools available for adapting to and addressing the climate change. No action requested, but the Board members may give direction to staff on next steps. Douglas Smith)

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# **ADJOURNMENT**

Any person aggrieved by an action of the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Lahontan Region that is subject to review as set forth in Water Code section 13320, subdivision (a), may petition the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) to review the action. Any petition must be made in accordance with Water Code section 13320 and California Code of Regulations, title 23, sections 2050 and following. The State Water Board must receive the petition by 5:00 p.m., 30 days after the date the action was taken, except that if the thirtieth day following the date the action was taken falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or state holiday the petition must be received by the State Water Board by 5:00 p.m. on the next business day. Copies of the law and regulation applicable to filing petitions may be found on the Internet at: <a href="http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/public notices/petitions/water quality">http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/public notices/petitions/water quality</a> or will be provided upon request.

Note:

A listing of pending applications for Water Quality Certification pursuant to Section 401 of the Clean Water Act may be obtained by calling:

Northern Lahontan Basin:

Tobi Tyler in South Lake Tahoe at (530) 542-5435, ttyler@waterboards.ca.gov

Southern Lahontan Basin:

Patrice Copeland and Jan Zimmerman, in Victorville at (760) 241-6583, pcopeland@waterboards.ca.gov or jzimmerman@waterboards.ca.gov

The Regional Water Quality Control Board, Lahontan Region, has a home page that can be accessed on the Internet, at: http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/lahontan

The Lahontan Water Board will be considering many items during this meeting which may result in Board action or direction to staff. We encourage input from all people interested in a given item or issue, so that when we act, our decision is based on all available information. Although an oath is not administered in most of the proceedings before this Board, we expect all statements made before this Board to be truthful with no attempts to mislead this Board by false statements, deceptive presentation or failure to include essential information.

The Board encourages all people in or near a Board meeting to refrain from engaging in inappropriate conduct. Inappropriate conduct may include disorderly, contemptuous or insolent behavior, breach of peace, boisterous conduct, violent disturbance or other unlawful interference in the Board's proceedings. Such conduct could subject you to contempt sanctions by the superior court (Gov. Code § 11455.10).

The Board Chairperson may impose sanctions, including reasonable expenses and attorney's fees, on any party for bad faith actions, frivolous tactics or actions intended to cause unnecessary delay by a party or the party's attorney or representative (Gov. Code § 11455.30).

## **LAHONTAN WATER BOARD MEMBERS**

California Water Code Section 13201 provides for the Governor to appoint seven members to the Regional Water Quality Control Board. Each member shall reside or have a principal place of business within the region. Appointments are subject to confirmation by the state Senate.

Name	From	Term Expires
Amy Horne, Ph.D., Chair	Truckee	9/30/14
Kimberly Cox, Vice Chair	Helendale	9/30/14
Don Jardine	Markleeville	9/30/15
Keith Dyas	Rosamond	9/30/16
Peter C. Pumphrey	Bishop	9/30/15
Eric Sandel	Truckee	9/30/13
Vacant		9/30/15

### LAHONTAN WATER BOARD STAFF

Patty Z. Kouyoumdjian Executive Officer

Lauri Kemper Assistant Executive Officer Kimberly Niemeyer Counsel to the Board Sue Genera Executive Assistant

and Ombudsman

South Lake Tahoe Office:

Chuck Curtis, Manager, Regulatory Compliance Division

Scott Ferguson, Chief, Enforcement & Special Projects Unit

Alan Miller, Chief, North Basin Regulatory Unit

Doug Smith, Manager, Planning and Restoration Division Richard Booth, Chief, TMDL/Basin Planning Unit Douglas Cushman, Chief, Non-Point Source Unit

Tom Gavigan, Chief, North Basin Cleanup and Site Investigation Unit

Victorville Office:

Mike Plaziak, Manager, Southern Lahontan Watersheds Division

Patrice Copeland, Chief, Land Disposal Unit Jehiel Cass, Chief, South Basin Regulatory Unit

Cindi Mitton, Chief, South Basin Cleanup and Site Investigation Unit

The primary responsibility of the Water Board is to protect the quality of the surface and groundwater within the Region for beneficial uses. The duty is carried out by formulating and adopting water quality plans for specific ground or surface water bodies; by prescribing and enforcing requirements on domestic and industrial waste dischargers, and by requiring cleanup of water contamination and pollution. Specific responsibilities and procedures of the Board are outlined in the Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act.

Regular meetings of the Water Board are normally held on the second Wednesday and Thursday of each month. Meeting locations vary but generally alternate between the north and south basins of the region.

Recordings are made of each Water Board meeting and are retained on the Lahontan Regional Water Quality Control Board website at: <a href="http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/lahontan/">http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/lahontan/</a>.

### **NOTES**

#### A. SEQUENCE OF AGENDA ITEMS

The items are numbered for identification purposes only and will not necessarily be considered in this order.

#### B. AVAILABILITY OF AGENDA MATERIAL

Details concerning these agenda items are available for public reference during working hours at the Board's offices. Copies of individual agenda items may be obtained at the Board's offices after 8:00 a.m. on the Friday, twelve days preceding the Board meeting. The staff will assist in answering questions.

#### C. UNCONTESTED ITEMS CALENDAR

Item numbers with an asterisk (\*) are expected to be routine and noncontroversial. They will be acted upon by the Board at one time without discussion. If any Board member, staff member, or interested party requests discussion, the item will be removed from the Uncontested Calendar to be considered separately.

### D. PETITION OF REGIONAL BOARD ACTION

Any person aggrieved by an action of the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Lahontan Region that is subject to review as set forth in Water Code section 13320(a), may petition the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) to review the action. Any petition must be made in accordance with Water Code section 13320 and California Code of Regulations, title 23, sections 2050 and following. The State Water Board must receive the petition by 5:00 p.m., 30 days after the date the action was taken, except that if the thirtieth day following the date the action was taken falls on a Saturday, Sunday or state holiday, the petition must be received by the State Water Board by 5:00 p.m. on the next business day. Copies of the law and regulation applicable to filing petitions may be found on the Internet at: <a href="http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/public\_notices/petitions/water\_quality">http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/public\_notices/petitions/water\_quality</a> or will be provided upon request.

### E. HEARING RECORD EXHIBITS

Material presented to the Board as part of the testimony that is to be made part of the record must be left with the Board. This includes photographs, slides, chart, diagrams, etc.

#### F. CONTRIBUTIONS TO REGIONAL BOARD MEMBERS

All persons who actively support or oppose the adoption of waste discharge requirements or an NPDES permit before the Lahontan Water Board must submit a statement to the Board disclosing any contributions of \$250 or more to be used in a federal, state, or local election, made by the action supporter or opponent, or his or her agent, within the last 12 months to any Water Board member. All permit applicants and all persons who actively support or oppose adoption of a set of waste discharge requirements or an NPDES permit pending before the Water Board are prohibited from making a contribution of \$250 or more to any Board member for three months following a Water Board decision on the permit application.

## G. <u>ADDITIONAL CLOSED SESSION</u>

At any time during the regular session, the Board may adjourn to a closed session to consider litigation, personnel matters, or to deliberate on a decision to be reached based upon evidence introduced in the hearing. Discussion of litigation is within the attorney-client privilege and may be held in closed session. <u>Authority:</u> Government Code section 11126, subdivisions (a), (c)(3) and (e).