State of California Regional Water Quality Control Board North Coast Region

Minutes of Meeting

9:00 A.M., Thursday, April 19, 2018 Weed City Council Chambers City Hall

550 Main Street Weed, CA 96094

Audio recordings of Board meetings are available at: <u>North Coast Water Board</u>, go to the Board Info tab and click on Meetings.

ii. Roll Call and Introductions

Board Members present: Hector Bedolla, John Corbett, Kelli Gant,

Gregory Giusti, David Noren, and Valerie

Minton Quinto.

Regional Water Board staff present: Fred Blatt, Katharyn Carter, Patti Corsie,

Clayton Creager, Josh Curtis, Rich Fadness,

Brian Fuller, Nathan Jacobsen, Bryan McFadin, Justin McSmith, Charles Reed, Eli Scott, Matt St. John, Claudia Villacorta, and

Ben Zabinsky.

i. Pledge of Allegiance

Board Member Giusti led the Pledge of Allegiance.

iii. Board Member Reports and Ex Parte Communication Disclosure:

- Board member Minton Quinto had numerous conversations with County Agencies, Stakeholders, and Water Board staff regarding Russian River Pathogen issues.
- Board Chairman Noren attending a meeting at the Water Board last week for a Government to Government Agency Meeting with the Karuk Tribe on various issues. Chairman Noren also has had ongoing work throughout Sonoma County directly related to the wildfires of October 2017.
- iv. **Executive Officer's Report:** See written Executive Officer's Report.

State Board Liaison, Steven Moore updated the Board:

- Budget issues
- Recent and upcoming activities at the State Water Board
- Drought issues
- Legislation passed or pending.

v. Public Forum:

Comments were taken from:

- James P. Cubetta, Public
- Jeannett Hook, City of Yreka, CA
- Jim Taylor, Water for Citizens of Weed, CA (WCWC)
- Geneva Omann, Public
- Victoria Gold, Water Flows Free, Mt. Shasta Area Group
- Betsy Stapleton, Friends of French Creek
- Michael Stapleton, Friends of French Creek
- Bill Marx. Friends of French Creek
- Susan Fricke, Karuk Tribe
- Ken Palfini, Mayor of City of Weed
- Bob Hall, Community of Weed
- Betsy Phair, Public
- Dave Casebeer, Public
- 1. **Approval of Meeting Minutes:** February 8, 2018

Motion: Board member moved to adopt,

Board member seconded the motion; Chairman Noren initiated

a roll-call vote:

Quinto aye Bedolla aye Corbett aye Noren aye Gant aye Giusti aye

Motion passed unanimously.

Information Items

- 2. Presentation on the **Tulelake Wastewater Treatment Facilities** upgrade and disposal modification (*Justin McSmith, Regional Water Board, Brett Nystrom, Director of Public Works, and Henry Ebinger, Mayor, City of Tulelake*)
- 3. Klamath River Updates: 1) Klamath Basin TMDL Implementation; 2) Klamath Basin Integrated Fish Restoration and Monitoring Plan; and 3) Klamath River Renewal Corporation Dam Removal and Restoration Activities (Clayton Creager, Regional Water Board); and 4) Lower Klamath Project Water Quality Certification (Erin Ragazzi, Parker Thaler, and Marianna Aue, State Water Resources Control Board)

Uncontested Items

4. Public Hearing on Order No. R1-2018-0004 to consider adoption of proposed Waste Discharge Requirements for **Weaverville Sanitary District Wastewater Treatment Facility**, WDID No. 1A84072OTRI (*Charles Reed*)

Action Items

- 5. Public Hearing on Order No. R1-2018-0018 to consider adoption of proposed **Scott River** TMDL Conditional Waiver of Waste Discharge Requirements (*Eli Scott*)
- Public Hearing on Shasta River Order No. R1-2018-0019 to consider adoption of proposed **Shasta River** TMDL Conditional Waiver of Waste Discharge Requirements (*Eli Scott*)

Information Items

- 7. Update on **Smith River Monitoring Studies and Consideration of Next Steps;** historical context, assessment summary, ongoing studies, follow up actions, and consideration of next steps (Regional Water Board Clayton Creager, Ben Zabinsky, Rich Fadness; NOAA Fisheries Justin Ly and Dan Free; and Tolowa Dee-ni' Nation Megan Van Pelt)
- 8. Executive Officer's Report (Matt St. John)
- 9. Board Member Requests for Future Agenda Items (Matt St. John)
- 10. Other Items of Interest (Matt St. John)
 - 11. **Closed session:** The Board met in closed session to discuss significant exposure to litigation and to discuss initiated petitions for the residents of Elk River.
- 12. Arrangements for Next Meeting and Adjournment 8:30 a.m., Thursday, May 17, 2018

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Meeting adjourned at 4:55 pm.

Chairperson_		
Date		