California Regional Water Quality Control Board
Santa Ana Region

Minutes of April 25, 2014 Board Meeting
Orange County Water District
18700 Ward Street
Fountain Valley, CA 92708

1. Chair, Ruh called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Board Members Present	Board Members Absent
William Ruh, Chair	Tom Rivera
Linda Ackerman, Vice-Chair	James Famiglietti
Susan Longville	
William P. von Blasingame	

Staff Members Present

Kurt V. Berchtold, Executive Officer
David Rice, Regional Board Counsel
Joanne Schneider, Environmental Program Manager
Michael J. Adackapara, Supervising Water Resource Control Engineer
Hope A. Smythe, Environmental Program Manager
Mark E. Smythe, Chief of Basin Planning - Inland
Mark G. Adelson, Chief of Regional Planning
Wanda Cross, Chief of Basin Planning - Coastal
Michelle Beckwith, Chief of Stormwater - Coastal
Glenn Robertson, Engineering Geologist
Barbara Barry, Environmental Scientist
Felipa Carrillo, Executive Assistant
Kevin Heinemann, Senior Information Systems Analyst
Daniel Mefford, Assistant Information Systems Analyst

Public In Attendance

Jim Fitzpatrick, Alta Environmental	Jack Nelson, Yucaipa Valley WD
Don Lee, Tetra Tech	John Wrobel, Yucaipa Valley WD
Ken Schiff, SCCWRP	Marsha Westropp, OCWD
Dave Renfrew, Alta Environmental	Lisa Kay, Alta Environmental
Robert Vasquez, RCFC & WCD	Jim Mekid, City of Huntington Beach
Jonathan Humphrey, OCPW - OC Watersheds	Carl Kymla, Morongo Tribe
Mary Ann Skorpanich, County of Orange	Jennifer Novak, Law Office of Jennifer Novak

2. Public Forum
None

3. State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) Liaison Report
There was no State Board liaison report.

4. Resolution of Appreciation for Fred Ameri- Resolution No.R8-2014-0012

Chair Ruh presented former Board Member Fred Ameri with a Resolution of Appreciation for his service with the Santa Ana Regional Water Quality Control Board since 2000. Mr. Ameri expressed his gratitude and said he was happy to have served all these years.

5. Approval of the Minutes of March 14, 2014 meeting

Motion: It was moved by Board Member Ackerman, seconded by Board Member Longville, and unanimously carried to approve the Minutes of the March 14, 2014 Board Meeting as presented.

6. Consideration of Consent Calendar Items
*Chair Ruh announced that there was an errata sheet for item No.*9*

*8. Appeal of Staff's Denial of an Exemption from the Minimum Lot Size Requirement - Carlos Navarro

*9. Amending Waste Discharge Requirements for Active Class III Municipal Solid Waste Landfills within the Santa Ana Region - Order No. R8-2014-0006 with Errata

*10. Conditional Waiver of Waste Discharge Requirements for Rancho Paseo de Valencia LLC, dba Forest Park, Corona, Riverside County - Order No. R8-2014-0009

*11. Chino Basin Maximum Benefit Groundwater Monitoring Program - Order No. R8-2014-0035

*12. Resolution Regarding Funding from the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) Emergency, Abandoned and Recalcitrant Site Account Resolution No. R8-2014-0041

Motion: It was moved by Board Member Ackerman, seconded by Board Member von Blasingame, and unanimously carried to adopt Orders No. R8-2014-0006, R8-2014-0009, R8-2014-0035, R8-2014-0041, and approve the exemption from the minimum lot size requirements requested by Carlos Navarro, as presented.

Chair Ruh announced that Item 13 had been removed

13. Mandatory Minimum Penalty Complaint, All Met Recycling, Orange County - Order No. R8-2014-0037 - *Waived and paid*

14. Basin Plan Amendments to Incorporate Revisions to the Salt Management Plan for the Santa Ana Region - Resolution No. R8-2014-0005

Hope Smythe, Division Chief, presented this item. Ms. Smythe provided an overview of the proposed Basin Plan amendments that were discussed in detail at the January 31, 2014 hearing/workshop. She reviewed the comments received and discussed proposed revisions to the Basin Plan amendments in response to the comments. Ms. Smythe also discussed Basin Planning requirements for compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and finally, presented staff's recommendation.

Motion: It was moved by Board Member Longville, seconded by Board Member von Blasingame, and unanimously carried to adopt Resolution No. R8-2014-0005, with the amendments to the Basin Plan shown in the attachments to the Resolution to amend Chapter 2 (Plans and Policies), Chapter 3 (Beneficial Uses), and Chapter 5 (Implementation Plan - Salt Management Plan).

Executive Officer Berchtold thanked Ms. Smythe and other staff for the extensive amount of work that went into this Basin Plan amendment.

Member Longville added that this was a reasonable solution to meet the challenges we are facing.

15. Evaluation of Newport Bay Watershed Monitoring Programs- (Information item)

Mr. Ken Schiff, Deputy Director of the Southern California Coastal Water Research Project (SCCWRP), presented this item. Mr. Schiff provided a report on the evaluation of the Newport Bay Watershed Monitoring Programs, a project SCCWRP undertook for the Santa Ana Regional Water Quality Control Board. He started with some background on SCCWRP and the work that they do. He briefly discussed SCCWRP's recommendations for improving the monitoring programs and indicated that the report can be found on their website http://www.sccwrp.org/documentsffechnicaiReports.aspx.

16. Status Update on Draft Orange County MS4 Permit (information item)

Adam Fischer, Regional Board staff, presented an introduction to the Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) Permit program. Mr. Fischer explained that the Permit program is based on Section 402(p) of the Clean Water Act and implementing regulations. He described the permit's evolution since 1990, and proposed a two-part strategy for the development of the next Orange County MS4 Permit: first, incorporate key features of the permittees' documented programs into the language of the Permit, and second, incorporate the "iterative process" for program improvements. Mr. Fischer described the intent of this strategy to allow flexibility within the boundaries of the permitted area and to provide better feedback, increase effectiveness and efficiency of the permittees' programs and improve water quality. Mr. Fischer presented two conceptual models of the "iterative process" and laid out a timeline for the anticipated adoption of a renewed Permit in September 2014.

17. Regional Board Member and Executive Officer Communications

Executive Officer Berchtold announced that there was a WQCC meeting coming up in October with a possible field trip.

Board Member Longville said she had attended Region 8's staff appreciation luncheon at the Citrus Park.

18. Closed Session
There was no closed session.

19. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 10:10 a.m., to the regular Board meeting of June 13, 2014 at 9:00 a.m., at the Orange County Water District, 18700 Ward Street, Fountain Valley.

Respectfully submitted:

KURT V. BERCHTOLD
Executive Officer

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