

**A REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE  
SAN GABRIEL BASIN WATER QUALITY AUTHORITY  
DECEMBER 4, 2007 at 11:30 A.M.**

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<b>CALL TO ORDER</b>	The Chairman called the regular meeting of the San Gabriel Basin Water Quality Authority to order and reviewed the actions anticipated on the agenda for the meeting.
<b>ROLL CALL OF BOARD MEMBERS</b>	Greg Nordbak, Jim Byerrum, Bob Kuhn, Carol Montano, Margaret Clark, and Al Contreras.
<b>BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT</b>	Mike Whitehead.
<b>STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT</b>	Grace Burgess, Executive Director; Randy Schoellerman, Assistant Executive Director/Senior Engineer; Stephanie Moreno, Admin/IS Assistant; Gabriel Monares, Director of Resource Development; Mary Saenz, Director of Finance; Dan Colby, Project Resource Manager; Art Kidman, General Counsel.
<b>MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC PRESENT</b>	Tom Lindros, Knollwood Associates; Victor Meza, City of Monterey Park
<b>ITEMS TOO LATE TO BE AGENDIZED</b>	None.
<b>PUBLIC COMMENT</b>	None.
<b>WORKSHOP</b>	
<b><i>“Draft §406 Plan for 2008 ”</i></b>	Ms. Burgess reported that staff reviewed the information in all sections of the plan and updated it where it was necessary. She indicated that most of the changes or updates were made in the funding section and in some operable unit sections. She reviewed the section regarding the Restoration fund and indicated that \$71M was appropriated through 2005 plus an expected \$3M appropriation for the 2007/2008 fiscal year. She reported that WQA joined the New Water Supply Coalition in 2007 and that H.R. 3452 (The Clean Renewable Water Supply Bond Act) was introduced. In the State funding section a paragraph was added describing the State Water Resources Control Board grant for \$1.42M from their Cleanup and Abatement Account to fund WQA’s orphan project (the Bozung Project). Ms. Burgess also reviewed the modifications that were made to the tables in the plan. On Table 1, the seven major activities for 2007 were added. On Table 2, the title was changed to better clarify category of projects listed in Table 2. On Table 3, the categories of costs were reorganized to better describe information

presented on the table. On Table 4, the title was changed to better clarify the category of projects listed. Lastly, Ms. Burgess reviewed the proposed schedule for the draft plan and indicated that the plan was scheduled to be adopted on January 22, 2008 after a 30-day public comment period.

Mr. Contreras suggested that staff confirm the number used for the Basin population in the Plan.

Mr. Kuhn made a general comment on the formatting of the policy statement.

Ms. Burgess reported that the suggestions were noted and would be incorporated into the draft plan.

## **ACTION ITEMS**

### ***Discussion/Action Regarding Draft §406 Plan for 2008***

Ms. Burgess reported that staff revisited the time schedule for the plan and recommended a 30-day public comment period instead of the 15-day period that was originally proposed.

### ***Open of 30-day Public Comment Period***

Mr. Kuhn moved to open a 30-day public comment period for the draft §406 Plan for 2008. Ms. Montano seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

## **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Ms. Burgess reported that the language in H.R. 123 regarding interest bearing accounts has drawn some concerns and staff was recommending that the language be taken out of the bill. Due to the time constraints she suggested adding this item as an urgency item to this agenda.

Mr. Contreras moved to add the action item "*Discuss/Action Regarding Language in H.R. 123 Regarding Interest Bearing Accounts*" as urgency item to this agenda. Ms. Clark seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Ms. Montano moved to approve the removal of language regarding interest bearing accounts from H.R. 123 if it became an issue for passage of the bill. Ms. Clark seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Ms. Burgess also reported that she reviewed the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) draft Strategic Plan for 2008-2012. She indicated that she had some comments on the plan and would like to submit her comments in a letter to the SWRCB. She requested that the board member send her any of their comments and that she would incorporate and present them in the draft letter to the SWRCB at the next WQA board meeting.

Mr. Kidman reported that Craig Bloomgarden's firm was merging

with another firm. He indicated that the Mr. Bloomgarden's rates would stay the same and that he did not see any conflicts as a result of the merger.

**BOARD MEMBERS'  
COMMENTS**

Ms. Clark and Ms. Montano reported on the sessions that they attend while at the ACWA conference. Mr. Byerrum reported that he attended the ACWA conference and noted that it was more informative than ones in the past. Mr. Nordbak reported that he had breakfast with Congresswoman Napolitano.

**FUTURE  
COMMITTEE  
MEETINGS**

The Administrative/Finance Committee meeting scheduled for Tuesday, December 11, 2007 at 12:00 P.M. was cancelled.

The Engineering Committee meeting was scheduled for Tuesday, December 11, 2007 at 1:00 P.M.

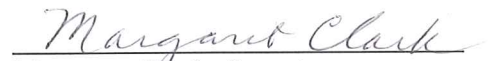
**CLOSED SESSION**

A closed session was not held.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The Chairman asked if there were any other items of business to come before the Board. There being none, this regular Board meeting was adjourned to December 18, 2007 at 9:30 A.M.

  
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J. Greg Nordbak, Chairman

  
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Margaret Clark, Secretary