

North Bay Water Reuse Authority
Board of Directors Meeting
Minutes
December 4, 2017

1. Call to Order

Chair Rabbitt called the meeting to order at 9:35 a.m. on Monday, December 4, 2017 at the Novato Sanitary District, 500 Davidson Street, Novato, CA. Members, consultants, and others who were unable to attend participated via telephone, 1 (602) 567-4030 (Local dial in). 1-888-227-0011 (Toll Free), access code 1988; and the internet at:

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2. Roll Call

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| PRESENT: | David Rabbitt, Chair | Sonoma County Water Agency |
| | Jill Techel, Vice Chair | Napa Sanitation District |
| | Mariam Aboudamous | City of American Canyon |
| | Jack Baker | North Marin Water District |
| | Rabi Elias | Las Gallinas Valley Sanitary District |
| | Jack Gibson | Marin Municipal Water District |
| | Susan Gorin | Sonoma Valley County Sanitation District |
| | Mike Healy | City of Petaluma |
| | Bill Long | Novato Sanitary District |
| | Phil Miller | Napa County |
| | Dennis Rodoni | Marin County |

ABSENT: None

OTHERS

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| PRESENT: | Chuck Weir, Program Manager | Weir Technical Services |
| | Kevin Booker | Sonoma County Water Agency |
| | Ginger Bryant | Bryant & Associates |
| | Brad Elliott | Sonoma County Water Agency |
| | Rene Guillen | Brown and Caldwell |
| | Steve Hartwig | City of American Canyon |
| | Tim Healy | Napa Sanitation District |
| | Jay Jasperse | Sonoma County Water Agency |
| | Pam Jeane | Sonoma County Water Agency |
| | Sandeep Karkal | Novato Sanitary District |
| | Susan McGuire | Las Gallinas Valley Sanitary District |
| | Drew McIntyre | North Marin Water District |
| | Mark Millan | Data Instincts |
| | Arlan Nickel | USBR |
| | Jim O'Toole | ESA |
| | Pilar Oñate-Quintana | The Oñate Group (by phone) |
| | Larry Russell | Marin Municipal Water District |
| | Mike Savage | Brown and Caldwell |

Paul Selsky
Brad Sherwood
Jake Spaulding
Paul Sellier
Jeff Tucker
Leah Walker

Brown and Caldwell
Sonoma County Water Agency
Sonoma County Water Agency
Marin Municipal Water District
Napa Sanitation District
City of Petaluma

3. Public Comments

There were no comments from the public

4. Introductions

For the benefit on new participants introductions were made.

5. Board Meeting Minutes of August 28, 2017.

A motion by Director Baker, seconded by Vice Chair Techel, to approve the minutes of the August 28, 2017 meeting was unanimously approved.

6. Report from the Chair

a. Consultant Progress Reports

The Board reviewed the consultant progress reports for August, September, and October 2017.

b. Financial Reports

The Board reviewed the Financial Reports for Fiscal Year 2017/18 through October 31, 2017.

7. Board Information Requests

There were no Board information requests at this time.

8. Approval of Contributed Funds Agreement with USBR for Completion of NBWRA Phase 2 Environmental Compliance

The Board reviewed the purpose of the agreement and noted that funds have been included in the SCWA Phase 2 administrative budget. A motion by Vice Chair Techel, seconded by Director Gorin, to approve the Contributed Funds Agreement with USBR for Completion of NBWRA Phase 2 Environmental Compliance was unanimously approved.

9. Report on Revisions to the Memorandum of Understanding

The Program Manager reported that all ten member agencies have approved and signed the 4th Revised Memorandum of Understanding, with an effective date of November 15, 2017. All signed copies have been received and two set of original signatures from each member agency have been provided to member agency representatives at today's meeting.

10. Program Development, Federal, and State Advocacy Update

Ginger Bryant reported that the next Funding Opportunity Announcement is expected in January 2018. She noted that the first Phase 2 application was not approved. She discussed the projects that were approved. She and The Ferguson Group have been working with USBR to revise the selection criteria to make projects such as those from NBWRA are more competitive. The next

application will be for approximately \$4 million and will include City of Petaluma and probably two other projects. Lastly she noted that the next trip to Washington D.C. is planned for January 2018.

Pilar Oñate-Quintana provided a summary of State Advocacy activities, including legislative efforts for long-term water conservation mandates. Two bills did not pass but will likely resurface in the next session. She discussed SB5, Parks Bond, which if approved by the voters in June 2018 would provide \$80 million for recycled water funding. A November 2018 water funding initiative would provide \$400 million for recycled water purposes. She also noted that AB574 (Quirk) and SB231 (Hertzberg) were both signed by the Governor. SB 623 (Monning) is a water tax to pay for small water system issues is expected to be picked up again in 2018. Lastly she discussed a very successful tour for Assemblymember Aguiar-Curry on September 25, 2017.

11. Engineering, Environmental, and Public Involvement Services Report

Mike Savage an update on the status of the Phase 2 Feasibility Report. He also noted that they are providing support for the development of the EIR/EIS. They are also preparing for the next construction grant application that will likely begin in January 2018.

Jim O’Toole provided a summary of the plans for completing the Phase 2 EIR/EIS by June 2018. The Notice of Intent was filed on November 6, 2017. Draft sections of the EIR/EIS are out for internal review and will go to the member agencies in mid-December 2018. He highlighted the key issues and schedule and noted that public meetings to receive comment will occur in February 2018. Once comments are addressed the final EIR/EIS will go to the member agencies for approval.

Mark Millan discussed public outreach and communication issues. His team will be coordinating public notification for the public comment meetings in February 2018. He also noted that the Recycled Water Science Advisory Panel will be holding a meeting in Sacramento on December 15, 2017 on constituents of Emerging Concern (CECs). The meeting will be held at the Joe Serna, Jr. Cal EPA Headquarters Building, Klamath Training Room, 2nd Floor 1001 I Street, Sacramento, CA 95814. The meeting will also be webcast at <https://stateofcaswrcbweb.centurylinkccc.com/CenturylinkWEb/SimoneHalbert>.

12. NorthBay WATER

Ginger Bryant described the NorthBay WATER program and noted that there will be a series of meetings from January to May 2018 to assess interest and develop an organizational structure and financing mechanisms. There was discussion as to the purpose of the new program, which will focus on all possible water issues, including groundwater, salt management, stormwater, and others that may be of interest to the participants. A variety of federal and state funding options will also be sought.

13. Items for Future Discussion and Action

Items for the next meeting include the following: regular reports, status of Phase 2 EIR/EIS, and status of the Phase 2 Construction Grant application

14. Comments from Chair and Board Members

There were no additional comments.

15. Adjournment

Chair Rabbitt adjourned the meeting at 10:53 a.m. The next meeting will be Monday, February 26, 2018 at 9:30 a.m. at Novato City Hall.

Minutes approved by the Board February 26, 2018.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Charles V. Weir". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent initial "C".

Charles V. Weir
Program Manager

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