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DIRECTOR AB 1234 REPORT

Meeting attended: NWRA's Federal Affairs Committee Date of Meeting: September 10, 2021 Date of Meeting to be Presented: September 21, 2021 Points of Interest:

In the case of Maui discharging treated sewage into the groundwater, and the court said it needed an NPDES permit, Maui will treat it further and reuse it The Senate Committee should take up the nomination of Mike Conner as the head of the Corps of Engineers next week There is still a lot of discussion on the infrastructure bill, but so far we have been very successful in obtaining much of what we wanted, this was helped by a lot of work by a large coalition of interested associations.

The Annual Meeting will be held in Phoenix November 8-10. 2021. It will be a hybrid meeting with the attendees in person limited to 200. Many speakers will be virtual.

Director name: Gary Martin

Meeting attended: Delta Conveyance Design & Construction Authority (DCA) Board of Directors meeting.

Dates of meeting: September 16, 2021

Location: Virtual

SCV Water Board meeting to be presented at: September 21, 2021

On September 16, 2021, I attended the DCA Board of Directors meeting conducted virtually on the RingCentral platform. The meeting agenda and points of interest are presented below.

1. & 2. Call to Order and Roll Call
3. Closed session for conference with labor negotiators.
4. Report out of closed session and pledge of allegiance.
5. Public comment.
6. Approval of minutes for July 15, 2021 regular board meeting.
7. Consent Calendar (no items on the consent calendar)
8. Discussion Items
 - 8a. September DCA Monthly Report – discussion item only
 - 8b. Sr. Leadership Spotlight – Karen Askeland, DCA Environmental Liaison – information only.
 - 8c. Stakeholder Outreach Efforts - information only.
 - 8d. SEC Report Out – David Gloski, At-Large Contra Costa Representative.
9. Staff Reports and Announcements
 - 9a. General Counsel’s Report
 - 9b. Treasurer’s Report
 - 9c. DWR Environmental Manager’s Report
 - 9d. Verbal Reports, if Any.
10. Future Agenda Items
11. Adjournment

Points of Interest:

Monthly Report:

- Program sequence / schedule status was added to Section 1, Work Performed.
- Engineering team primarily focused on responding to questions and requests for information from the Delta Conveyance Office (DCO) environmental team and developing several technical memoranda for the Central and Eastern Corridors and the Bethany Reservoir Alternative.
- Budget status - \$23.5 million approved; \$17.0 million committed.

DCA Sr. Leadership Spotlight Karen Askeland:

- DCA Environmental Liaison
- Serves as liaison between DCA engineering team and DWR environmental team.
- Extensive educational and professional work experience.
- Assists in preparation of EPR’s and reviewing DWR’s environmental analyses, and continued coordination.

General Counsel’s Report:

- Josh Nelson reported on the passage of AB 361 and what it will mean for the DCA staff and board, and added his understanding of the likelihood of the Governor’s signature. (Note: Governor Newsom did sign the bill and this will be discussed at the 9/21/21 SCVWA board meeting).

Director name: Gary Martin

Meeting attended: SCVEDC & COC 2021 Economic Outlook.

Dates of meeting: September 17, 2021

Location: Santa Clarita Performing Arts Center at COC

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On September 17, 2021, I attended the SCVEDC & COC 2021 Economic Outlook held in-person at the Santa Clarita Performing Arts Center. The following is summary of the program presentations and key points of interest:

- Welcome and introductions by Holly Schroeder, President and CEO of the Santa Clarita Valley Economic Development Corporation (SCVEDC).
- Panel discussion on experiences and lessons learned during the COVID19 pandemic. Moderator: Todd Stevens, President and CEO of Black Knight Energy. Panelists: Jan Swartz, Group President, Princess Cruises & HA Group; Christian Harris, Senior VP & CEO, Sunkist Growers; Lance Williams, Founder, Chairman and CEO, Williams Homes.
- Address from Dr. Dianne Van Hook, Chancellor, College of the Canyons.
- Keynote presentation from Mark Schniepp, Ph.D., Director, California Economic Forecast, 2021 Forecast for the Santa Clarita Valley.

Key points of Dr. Schniepp's presentation:

- Impact of pandemic on California economy more significant than anticipated.
- Long term changes on how we work will be less than what is being hyped.
- The "Great Resignation" is due to the tight labor market and government intervention.
- Federal subsidies are causing a slowdown of recent momentum.
- There is inflation ahead; highest increase since 1989.
- Total employment in Santa Clarita is still down 8,300 jobs after recovering 9,700 jobs from the low in April of 2020.
- Expectations for 2022 include no more interventions that impeded business activity, variants remain under control of die out, the labor force returns.
- We still need another 1 ½ years to offset the economic trauma of 2020.
- Nothing on the horizon that would derail the current recovery, other than unpredictable public health interventions.
- The way we work at offices or anywhere else is changing, but not that much.

Lynne Plambeck

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ACWA Water Quality Committee

September 20, 2021 • 1:00 – 4:00 pm

Virtual Meeting

Committee Contact: Nick Blair, Regulatory Advocate, Nickb@acwa.com

Chair: Edgar Dymally, Vice-chair: Sarah Palmer

State Legislative Update – Adam Quisneros

Bills to ban PFAs in plastic utensils and children’s clothing are on the Gov’s desk

Some funding in bill SB170 for PFAs remediation, but only 30 million – not enough

ACWA Federal Affairs Update - Madeline Voitier, ACWA

Biden Admin has rescinded Trump Era Wotus rule, so we are back to the previous rule

Safe Drinking Water Subcommittee – Steve Bigley

PFAS Update – Patrick Versluis, discussed new notification levels and when they may come out. Workshop by oeha on Sept 28th

Micro plastics – Scott Coffin, State Water Board

SB1422 passed in 2018 Microplastics are a suite of pollution particles focusing on the ones that tend to be toxic. Bottled water has more micro plastics than tap water. Micro plastics over 10mg are removed with usual water purification methods, but is the smaller microplastics that are more harmful. They don’t have enough good studies yet.

sb1263 Jared Voskuhl Statewide strategy –focuses on sources, pathways, elimination Risk Assessment Ocean Protection Council

Chrome 6 MCL has not been released and no time table on their website.

David Kimball – ELAPP update

Clean Water and Aquatic life Subcommittee - Jeremy Jungreis

David Manning, Keenan Foster comment letter on the new general order to make permits for restoration projects easier.

DWR GSP Review process – Steve Anderson 354.28c includes spreading pollution

Southern steelhead listing request from CalTrout – AWCA will write a letter outlining impacts to its member agencies. Not needed because it is already federally listed – will make ground water pumping more difficult. CA listing will add restrictions. 1211 permits, wdrs, npdes, etc.

Dave Pederson Perchlorate – detection level for perchlorate is declining 2ppb (July, 2021), 1ppb in 2024. Maybe for study purposes but also may lead to a lower MCL.