

MINUTES (Approved)

Chairperson: Andy Pease
Vice Chairperson: Eric Greening
Secretary: Brendan Clark

The following action minutes are listed as they were acted upon by the Water Resources Advisory Committee (WRAC) and as listed on the Regular Meeting agenda for **September 2nd, 2020** together with staff reports and related documents attached thereto and incorporated therein by reference.

The audio recording of the meeting and materials submitted to the WRAC are available online: [https://www.slocounty.ca.gov/Departments/Public-Works/Committees-Programs/Water-Resources-Advisory-Committee-\(WRAC\).aspx](https://www.slocounty.ca.gov/Departments/Public-Works/Committees-Programs/Water-Resources-Advisory-Committee-(WRAC).aspx)

Call to order at 1:30 PM

1) Determination of a Quorum and Introductions

A quorum of 18 is established.

2) Approval of June 3, 2020 Meeting Minutes

A. Pease notes a clarification to change “council” to “counsel,” and C. Mulholland corrects grammar to “makes a motion” or “moves.”

L. Chipping corrects the wording of her statement as written in Item 3 of the previous minutes.

E. Greening corrects the wording of his statement as written in Item 5 of the previous minutes.

C. Mulholland moves for the approval of the previous meeting minutes as amended which is seconded by M. Guthrie. Motion carries (16-2-0).

3) Ongoing Updates:

a) Rain & Reservoir Report

No comment.

b) California Drought Monitor Summary

No comment.

c) Groundwater Basin Management Efforts

No comment.

d) Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM)

B. Clark states that the BOS adopted the IRWM 2019 plan.

e) Stormwater Resource Plan (SWRP)

No comment.

f) State Water Project (SWP)

C. Howard updates that the BOS approved to move forward with joint funding agreement with CCWA to look at water management tools amendment with the purpose of how to manage district state water allocation and to revisit policies from 2003. The process is expected to last 6 months to a year.

g) SLO County Flood Control and Water Conservation District FY2020-21 Budget

No comment.

h) Various County Water Programs, Policies, and Ordinances

No comment.

i) Open Reporting on Water Conservation Opportunities & Information

G. Kendall comments that the agricultural community is facing implementation of Ag Order Number 4. He would like to see Order 4's impact before taking further steps and would like to see the regional water quality control board discuss Order 4 with WRAC once its finalized.

4) Future Agenda Items

D. Chipping states that Dana Reserve in Nipomo is adding 1,270 homes, and a water report by RRM states there is enough water coming in from the CSD, but it is not a member of the Nipomo CSD. He states that it could be useful to have RRM and hydrological analysts to discuss the water needs of Dana Reserve.

E. Eby states that Dana Reserve is a potential annexation, but there are several steps that need to be taken before the annexation. There was a cursory study, but Nipomo CSD will do a further study before deeming a sufficient water supply. He states that there will be more updates to come, and Nick Tompkins should present on these items in the future.

C. Mulholland returns to G. Kendall's point to second that the Regional Water Quality Control Board should present on Ag Order 4.

C. Howard states that there will be a Salinas reservoir project board item on September 22nd.

E. Greening adds to the meeting chat that he may need to resign from the position of vice chair if meetings remain virtual due to technical challenges. He suggests at the next meeting there should be some action to fill the vice chair role.

5) Public Comment on Items not on the Agenda

B. Clark gives an update on a prior WRAC motion on amending the bylaws. He states that the BOS accepted minor bylaw cleanups recommended by WRAC, but they chose to amend the bylaws, with the inclusion of a grandfather clause, so that there can not be any multiple affiliations.

C. Howard shares personnel updates: Catherine Martin is now the Technical Unit supervisor and is taking lead on adding public wells on county properties. Madeline Travis is the new CivicSpark fellow working on furthering stormwater recharge understanding.

M. Bandov shares the County is in the process of investigation of the Adelaida Area in coordination with USGS for a hydrological study.

Meeting Adjourned at 2:30.