



COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ

WATER ADVISORY COMMISSION

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AGENDA

SANTA CRUZ COUNTY WATER ADVISORY COMMISSION

Wednesday August 17, 2016, 4:00 p.m.

Fifth Floor Conference Room, Room 510 - County Governmental Center
701 Ocean Street
Santa Cruz, CA 95060

A. **OPENING**

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call

B. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** August 3, 2016

C. **PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS**

Opportunity for members of the public to address the Commission on matters that are within the Commission's area of responsibility, but not on today's agenda.

D. **COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS**

Opportunity for Commissioners to report on matters that are not on today's agenda.

E. **STAFF REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

F. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS – *indicates items for discussion**

1. Pajaro Valley Groundwater Management Issues
2. Santa Margarita Groundwater Management Issues
3. Water Conservation Efforts, Countywide
4. Update on County Water Resource Management Efforts
5. Mid-County Water Issues
6. County Commission on the Environment
7. Update on Conjunctive Use
8. Karst protection zone proposal
9. **Environmental Code Compliance***
 - a. Discuss and approve letter to Board of Supervisors
10. Water Supply Planning
11. County-wide Drought Response
12. Water Advisory Commission Role and Work Program
13. Sustainable Groundwater Management Act

G. NEW BUSINESS

I. INFORMATION AGENDA

J. CORRESPONDENCE

K. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ACTION ON ITEMS AFFECTING WATER:

L. AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS:

M. ADJOURNMENT:

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A. OPENING

1. **Call to Order** Chair Hamilton Monkerud called the meeting to order at 4:03 PM

2. **Roll Call**

Present: Spencer, Hamilton-Monkerud, Wilson, Edgemon, Berry, Fehr

Absent: Gregorio

Staff: Kristen Kittleson, Environmental Health (EH)

Others: Melodye Serino, CAO's office

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

June 1, 2016

Approved

C. PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS

None

D. COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS

None

E. STAFF REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

F. UNFINISHED BUSINESS – *indicates items for discussion

1. **Pajaro Valley Groundwater Management Issues**

not discussed

2. **Santa Margarita Groundwater Management Issues**

not discussed

3. **Water Conservation Efforts, Countywide**

not discussed

4. **Update on County Water Resource Management Efforts**

not discussed

5. **Mid-County Water Issues**

not discussed

6. **County Commission on the Environment**

not discussed

7. **Update on Conjunctive Use**

not discussed

8. **Karst protection zone proposal**

not discussed

a. Letter to Board of Supervisors has been finalized

9. **Environmental Code Compliance***

Public Comments:

Jen Michelsen, San Lorenzo Valley Water District

Chris Coburn, Resource Conservation District of Santa Cruz County

Chuck Baughman, Board member, San Lorenzo Valley Water District

Becky Steinbruner, Aptos area resident

On Water Restrictions, 6c, add a requirement for applicant to provide proof of a valid Streambed Alteration Agreement (SAA) with the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) as part of permission to use surface water (Motion Spencer, Second Berry, Unanimous)

Propose a new section to add a requirement for applicant to provide a Water Resource Protection Plan that addresses water use, water conservation, water efficiency, use of herbicides, pesticides and other chemicals, erosion and drainage. (Motion Spencer, Second Berry, Unanimous)

Request that TPZ be excluded from zoning allowing cannabis cultivation (Motion Berry, Second Edgemon, Unanimous)

Include language in the letter asking the Board to re-evaluate conjunctive water use, use of bulk water delivery and use of tertiary treated water in the interest of protecting dry season flows in streams and protecting groundwater aquifers. (Motion Berry, Second Spencer, Unanimous)

Take out the words "federal or" so that first sentence of second paragraph on page 5 reads: "This Chapter is not intended to conflict with State law. (Motion Fehr, Second Edgemon, 4 ayes, 2 noes; the motion passes)

Add language that wells and stream diversions are metered (Motion Wilson, Second Berry. 4 ayes, 2 noes; the motion passes)

Add a comment to the letter that a portion of the tax revenue could be used to fund resource protection, including third party certification of the water resource protection plan by a group such as the Resource Conservation District of Santa Cruz County (RCDSCC). (Motion Wilson, Second Spencer, Unanimous)

Form a subcommittee to write the letter incorporating the approved motions (Motion Berry, Second Edgemon, Unanimous)

The subcommittee will consist of Commissioners Spencer, Berry and Edgemon

The Water Advisory Committee will meet on Wednesday, August 17, 4-6 PM. Staff will check on room availability.

10. Water Supply Planning

not discussed

11. County-wide Drought Response

not discussed

12. Water Advisory Commission Role and Work Program

not discussed

13. Sustainable Groundwater Management Act

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M. ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 6:08 PM