



COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ

WATER ADVISORY COMMISSION

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AGENDA

SANTA CRUZ COUNTY WATER ADVISORY COMMISSION

Wednesday September 6, 2017, 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: June 7, 2017

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 and Groundwater Recharge Efforts
8. Karst protection zone proposal
9. Environmental Code Compliance
10. Water Supply Planning
11. County-wide Drought Response

12. Water Advisory Commission Role and Work Program*

Including coordination with Other Commissions,

And topics for discussion at Joint meeting on September 27

Possible topics suggested: Riparian Corridor Management, Karst, Conjunctive Use

G. NEW BUSINESS

1. **Managing Land to optimize groundwater recharge**

2. **Impact of groundwater pumping on Streamflow**

3. **Consideration of comments on the Cannabis Cultivation EIR***

<http://sccoplanning.com/PlanningHome/Environmental/CEQAInitialStudiesEIRs/CannabisRegulationsEnvironmentalReview.aspx>

I. INFORMATION AGENDA

J. CORRESPONDENCE

K. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ACTION ON ITEMS AFFECTING WATER:

June 27, 2017, #42: Approve revenue agreement with the California Wildlife Conservation Board in the amount of \$330,451, for a project to develop a San Lorenzo Watershed Conjunctive Use Plan, and approve expenditure agreements with the San Lorenzo Valley Water District in the amount of \$17,300, and with Balance Hydrologics in the amount of \$45,979, for provision of professional services to support the project, and authorize the HSA Director to execute the agreements, as recommended by the Director of Health Services.

http://santacruzcountyca.igq2.com/Citizens/Detail_Legifile.aspx?Frame=&MeetingID=1588&MediaPosition=966.488&ID=3920&CssClass=

L. AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

M. ADJOURNMENT:

PLEASE CONTACT JOHN RICKER, (831) 454-2750, IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO ATTEND THIS MEETING

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ACTION MINUTES

SANTA CRUZ COUNTY WATER ADVISORY COMMISSION

Wednesday June 7, 2017, 4:00 p.m.

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- A. **OPENING:**
1. **Call to Order:** Chair Hamilton-Monkerud called the meeting to order at 4:15 PM
 2. **Roll Call:**
 - Present: Hamilton-Monkerud, Wilson, Berry, Sharp
 - Absent: Spencer, Edgemon, Gregorio
 - Staff: John Ricker, Environmental Health
 - Others: Chris Coburn, Resource Conservation District; Brian Lockwood, Pajaro Water
 3. **Election of Officers**
 - Motion by Wilson, second by Sharp to appoint Carol Hamilton-Monkerud as Chair and Chris Berry as Vic-Chair, approved unanimously
- B. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** April, 5, 2017 *Approved*
- C. **PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS** *None*
- D. **COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS** *No Action*
- E. **STAFF REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS** *No Action*
- F. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS – *indicates items for discussion**
1. **Pajaro Valley Groundwater Management Issues** *No Action*
 2. **Santa Margarita Groundwater Management Issues***
 - Adoption of New Joint Powers Authority for Groundwater Sustainability Agency <http://smgwa.org/news/> *No Action*
 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*
- 9. **Environmental Code Compliance** *Not discussed*
- 10. **Water Supply Planning** *not discussed*
- 11. **County-wide Drought Response** *not discussed*
- 12. **Water Advisory Commission Role and Work Program*** *No Action*
 - Including coordination with Other Commissions
 - And topics for discussion at Joint meeting on September 27
- 13. **Sustainable Groundwater Management Act*** *No action*
 - Request to Board of Supervisors for County to become Interim Groundwater Sustainability agency for West Santa Cruz Terrace (3-026) and Purisima Highlands (3-002.02)

G. NEW BUSINESS

- 1. **Managing Land to optimize groundwater recharge*** *No Action*
- 2. **Impact of groundwater pumping on Streamflow*** *No Action*
- 3. **Consider appointment of a subcommittee to review and develop comments on the Cannabis Cultivation EIR*** *A subcommittee was appointed consisting of Commissioners Berry, Wilson, and Hamilton Monkerud: Motion by Berry, Second by Sharp, approved unanimously*

I. INFORMATION AGENDA *None*

J. CORRESPONDENCE *None*

K. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ACTION ON ITEMS AFFECTING WATER

1. May 23, 2017 – 28 - Authorize the County Administrative Officer to execute on behalf of the County a Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement for creation of the Santa Margarita Groundwater Management Agency; Appoint County representatives to the Santa Margarita Groundwater Management Agency, with the First and Fifth District Board members as the Directors, and the Health Services Agency's Water Resources Division Director as the Alternate Director; and adopt a resolution designating the County as the groundwater sustainability agency for the West Santa Cruz Terrace, Purisima Highlands, and other residual minor groundwater basins.

2. May 23, 2017 – 26 - Authorize the Auditor to process payment from the fiscal year 2016-17 Zone 4 budget to the Resource Conservation District of Santa Cruz County in the amount of \$50,176 for provision of services rendered to County of Santa Cruz staff and Santa Cruz County residents for projects and programs related to storm damage repair, cannabis cultivation, and natural resource management.

L. AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS: *The next meeting will be September 6, and September 27 will be a Joint meeting with Commission on the Environment and Fish and Wildlife Advisory Commission)*

M. ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 6:00 PM

Minutes Prepared by: John Ricker, EH Staff