

Monterey County

*Monterey County Government Center
Board of Supervisors Chambers
168 W. Alisal St., 1st Floor
Salinas, CA 93901*



Action Minutes - Final

Monday, March 18, 2019

12:00 PM

Water Resources Agency Board of Directors

Call to Order at 12:00 P.M.

The meeting was called to order at 12:00 p.m. Director Smith arrived after roll call was taken and closed session had begun.

- Present** 6 - Director Richard Ortiz, Director Richard Ortiz, Director Ken Ekelund, Director Mark Gonzalez, Director John Baillie, and Director Matthew Simis
- Absent** 4 - Director Mike Scattini, Director Mike LeBarre, Director Deidre Sullivan, and Director Jason Smith

Public Comments on Closed Session Items

1. Closed Session under Government Code section 54950, relating to the following item:
 - a. Pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9(d)(1), the Board will confer with legal counsel regarding existing litigation:
 1. Salinas Valley Water Coalition v. Monterey County Water Resources Agency, Board of Supervisors of Monterey County, et al. (Monterey County Superior Court case no. 17CV000157)
 - b. Pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9(d)(2), the Board of Directors will confer with legal counsel regarding one matter of significant exposure to litigation.
 - c. Pursuant to Government Code section 54957(b)(1), the Board of Directors will confer regarding recruitment for the position of General Manager for the Water Resources Agency.

Note: Continuance of Closed Session to be held at the conclusion of the Board's Regular Agenda, or at any other time during the course of the meeting announced by the Chairperson of the Board. The public may comment on Closed Session items prior to the Board's recess to Closed Session.

Recess to Closed Session

Reconvene Meeting at 1:00 P.M.

County Counsel stated that there were no reportable actions taken in closed session.

- Present** 7 - Director Richard Ortiz, Director Richard Ortiz, Director Ken Ekelund, Director Mark Gonzalez, Director John Baillie, Director Jason Smith, and Director Matthew Simis
- Absent** 3 - Director Mike Scattini, Director Mike LeBarre, and Director Deidre Sullivan

Pledge of Allegiance

Public Comment

Consent Calendar

**Agenda Item No. 5 was pulled by Director Ortiz for further discussion.
Upon Motion by Director Ortiz and Second by Director Baillie, the Board of
Directors approved the Consent Calendar.**

Ayes: Directors Gonzalez, Ekelund, Ortiz, Baillie, Smith and Simis

Noes: None

Absent: Directors Sullivan, Scattini, and LeBarre

2. Approve the Action Minutes of February 19, 2019

Attachments: [Draft Action Minutes February 19 2019](#)

3. Receive the Annual Report to the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers for the Salinas River Stream Maintenance Program 2018 Work Season; and authorize the General Manager to execute the Certification of Compliance verifying compliance with the Terms and Conditions of the Regional General Permit.

Attachments: [Board Report](#)
 [Draft SRSMP Report to USACE](#)
 [Certificate of Compliance](#)
 [Board Order](#)

4. Approve an amendment to a Professional Services Agreement with Wood Environmental & Infrastructure, Inc., for the performance of hydrologic and hydrogeologic modeling necessary to develop and evaluate operational components of the Agency's Interlake Tunnel and San Antonio Spillway Modification Project; and authorize the Interim General Manager to execute the amended Agreement.

Attachments: [Board Report](#)
 [Amendment No. 1](#)
 [Exhibits A and B](#)
 [Professional Services Agreement](#)
 [Board Order](#)

5. Recommend that the Monterey County Water Resources Agency Board of Supervisors approve a one-year Lease Agreement with the Heritage Ranch Owners Association for 25 acres of lakefront property; and authorize the Interim General Manager to execute the Lease Agreement.

Attachments: [Board Report](#)
 [HROA Lease Agreement](#)
 [Board Order](#)

Upon Motion by Director Ortiz and Second by Director Baillie the Board of Directors recommended that the Monterey County Water Resources Agency Board of Supervisors:

a. Approve a one-year Lease Agreement with the Heritage Ranch Owners Association for 25 acres of lakefront property, and b. Authorize the Interim General Manager to execute the Lease Agreement.

Ayes: Directors Gonzalez, Ekelund, Ortiz, Baillie, Smith and Simis

Noes: None

Absent: Directors Sullivan, Scattini, and LeBarre

Scheduled Items

6. Consider receiving and recommending that the Monterey County Water Resources Agency Board of Supervisors receive the report “Salinas River Long-Term Management Plan” dated February 2019.

Attachments: [Board Report](#)
 [LTMP Executive Summary](#)
 [Board Order](#)

Upon Motion by Director Ekelund and Second by Director Ortiz, the Board of Directors received and recommend that the Monterey County Water Resources Agency Board of Supervisors receive the report “Salinas River Long-Term Management Plan” dated February 2019.

Ayes: Directors Gonzalez, Ekelund, Ortiz, Baillie, Smith and Simis

Noes: None

Absent: Directors Sullivan, Scattini, and LeBarre

Public Comment: Rich Boyer, Norm Groot, Donna Meyers

7. Consider receiving an update on Monterey County Water Resources Agency operational costs, program costs and project costs; and provide direction to staff on funding mechanisms.

Attachments: [Board Report](#)
 [Board Order](#)

No Action taken on this item.

Public Comment: Rich Boyer

Key Information and Calendar of Events

General Manager's Report

- 8.
- Submittal of Well Destruction grant
 - Report back on March 12, 2019 workshop
 - Update on Interlake Tunnel

Committee Reports

Planning Committee and Personnel/Administration Committee reported.

Information Items

- 9.
- Information Items:
1. Reservoir Release Update
 2. Well Permit Application Activities Update
- Attachments:** [Reservoir Release Update](#)
[Well Permit Application Activities Update](#)

Correspondence

- 10.
- Correspondence:
1. Letter dated February 20, 2019 from Alecia Van Atta, Assistant Regional Administrator, California Coastal Office, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration to Shauna Lorance, Interim General Manager
Re: Withdrawal of NOAA's National Marine Fisheries Service's 2007 Salinas Valley Water Project Biological Opinion
- Attachments:** [Correspondence](#)

Board of Directors Comments

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 2:15 p.m.