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## MINUTES OF THE JOINT MEETING OF THE REGIONAL COUNCIL, COMMUNITY, ECONOMIC & HUMAN DEVELOPMENT (CEHD) COMMITTEE; ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE (EEC); AND THE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE (TC) OF THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS MARCH 6, 2014

# THE FOLLOWING MINUTES ARE A SUMMARY OF ACTIONS AND/OR DISCUSSIONS THAT OCCURRED AT THE JOINT MEETING. A VIDEO RECORDING OF THE ACTUAL MEETING IS AVAILABLE AT http://scag.ca.gov/NewsAndMedia/Pages/SCAGTV.aspx

#### **EEC Members Present:**

## **Representing**

Chair* 1.	Hon. Cheryl Viegas-Walker	El Centro	District 1
Vice-Chair* 2.	Hon. James Johnson	Long Beach	District 30
3.	Hon. Denis Bertone	San Dimas	SGVCOG
* 4.	Hon. Margaret Clark	Rosemead	District 32
5.	Hon. Jordan Ehrenkranz	Canyon Lake	WRCOG
6.	Hon. Larry Forester	Signal Hill	GCCOG
7.	Hon. Laura Friedman	Glendale	Arroyo-Verdugo Cities
8.	Hon. Sandra Genis	Costa Mesa	OCCOG
9.	Hon. Linda Krupa	Hemet	WRCOG
10.	Hon. Thomas Martin	Maywood	Gateway Cities
* 11.	Hon. Judy Mitchell	Rolling Hills Estates	District 40
12.	Hon. Geneva Mojado	Sodoba Band of Luiseño Indians	Tribal Government
* 13.	Hon. Mike Munzing	Aliso Viejo	District 12
14.	Hon. Sam Pedroza	Claremont	SGVCOG
15.	Hon. David Pollock	Moorpark	VCOG
* 16.	Hon. Carmen Ramirez	Oxnard	District 45
* 17.	Hon. Deborah Robertson	Rialto	District 8
* 18.	Hon. Jack Terrazas		Imperial County
19.	Hon. Lupe Ramos Watson	Indio	District 66
20.	Hon. Diane Williams	Rancho Cucamonga	SANBAG
21.	Hon. Edward Wilson	Signal Hill	Gateway Cities

## **TC Members Present:**

#### Representing

Chair * 1.	Hon. Keith Millhouse	Moorpark	VCTC
Vice Chair * 2.	Hon. Alan Wapner	Ontario	SANBAG
3.	Hon. John Addleman	Rolling Hills Estates	SBCCOG
* 4.	Hon. Michael D. Antonovich		Los Angeles County
* 5.	Hon. Rusty Bailey	Riverside	District 68

*	6.	Hon. Bruce Barrows	Cerritos	District 23
*	7.	Hon. Glen. T. Becerra	Simi Valley	District 46
*	8.	Hon. Art Brown	Buena Park	District 21
*	9.	Hon. Gene Daniels	Paramount	District 24
*	10.	Hon. Jeff DeGrandpre	Eastvale	District 4
*	11.	Hon. Roy Francis	La Habra Heights	District 31
	12.	Hon. Bert Hack	Laguna Woods	OCCOG
*	13.	Hon. Matthew Harper	Huntington Beach	District 64
*	14.	Hon. Carol Herrera	Diamond Bar	District 37
*	15.	Hon. Jim Hyatt	Calimesa	District 3
	16.	Hon. Trish Kelley	Mission Viejo	OCCOG
	17.	Hon. Randon Lane	Murrieta	North L.A. County
*	18.	Hon. Michele Martinez	Santa Ana	District 16
*	19.	Hon. Andrew Masiel, Dr.	Pechanga Band of Luiseño Indian	s Tribal Government
*	20.	Hon. Ryan McEachron	Victorville	SANBAG
*	21.	Hon. Barbara Messina	Alhambra	District 34
*	22.	Hon. Leroy Mills	Cypress	District 18
*	23.	Hon. Brett Murdock	Brea	District 22
*	24.	Hon. Kris Murray	Anaheim	District 19
	25.	Hon. Frank Navarro	Colton	SANBAG
*	26.	Hon. Steven Neal	Long Beach	District 29
*	27.	Hon. Pam O'Connor	Santa Monica	District 41
	28.	Hon. Micheal O'Leary	Culver City	WSCCOG
*	29.	Hon. Linda Parks		VCOG
*	30.	Hon. Gregory Pettis	Cathedral City	District 2
*	31.	Hon. Ronald Roberts	Temecula	District 5
*	32.	Hon. Adam Rush		RCTC
	33.	Hon. Teresa Real Sebastian	Monterey Park	SGVCOG
	34.	Hon. David Spence	La Cañada/Flintridge	Arroyo-Verdugo Cities
*	35.	Hon. Karen Spiegel	Corona	District 63
	36.	Hon. Tim Spohn	City of Industry	SGVCOG
*	37.	Hon. Jess Talamantes	Burbank	District 42
	38.	Hon. Brent Tercero	Pico Rivera	Gateway Cities
*	39.	Hon. Donald Voss	La Cañada/Flintridge	District 36

## **<u>CEHD Members Present:</u>**

## **Representing**

Chair* 1.	Hon. Margaret E. Finlay	Duarte	District 35
Vice-Chair* 2.	Hon. Bill Jahn	Big Bear Lake	<b>District</b> 11

	3.	Hon. Carol Chen	Cerritos	GCCOG
*	4.	Hon. Steven Choi	Irvine	District 14
	5.	Hon. Jeffrey Cooper	Culver City	WSCCOG
	6.	Hon. Rose Espinoza	La Habra	OCCOG
	7.	Hon. Debbie Franklin	Banning	WRCOG
*	8.	Hon. James Gazeley	Lomita	District 39
	9.	Hon. Tom Hansen	Paramount	Gateway Cities
	10.	Hon. Robert S. Joe	South Pasadena	Arroyo Verdugo Cities
*	11.	Hon. Paula Lantz	Pomona	District 38
*	12.	Hon. Larry McCallon	Highland	District 7
*	13.	Hon. Kathryn McCullough	Lake Forest	District 13
*	14.	Hon. Carl Morehouse	Ventura	District 47
	15.	Hon. Ray Musser	Upland	SANBAG
	16.	Hon. Edward Paget	Needles	SANBAG
	17.	Hon. Beck Shevlin	Monrovia	SGVCOG
	18.	Hon. Frank Zerunyan	Rolling Hills Estates	SBCCOG

\*Regional Council Member

#### **Regional Council Member Present:**

**Representing** 

District 15

1. Hon. Leslie Daigle Newport Beach

## **Staff Present**

Hasan Ikhrata, Executive Director Sharon Neely, Chief Deputy Executive Director Debbie Dillon, Deputy Executive Director, Administration Joe Silvey, General Counsel Joann Africa, Chief Counsel Basil Panas, Acting Chief Financial Officer Rich Macias, Director of Transportation Planning Huasha Liu, Director of Land Use & Environmental Planning Darin Chidsey, Director of Strategy, Policy and Public Affairs Lillian Harris-Neal, Clerk of the Board Tess Rey-Chaput, Office of Regional Council Support

## CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Greg Pettis, Cathedral City, District 2, called the meeting to order at approximately 10:00 a.m. Hon. Jim Hyatt, Calimesa, District 3, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

## PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

There was no public comment card received.

## ACTION ITEM

#### 1. Minutes of the November 7, 2013 Joint Meeting of the Regional Council and Policy Committees

A motion was made (Hack) to approve the Minutes of the November 7, 2013 Joint Meeting of the Regional Council and Policy Committees. Motion was SECONDED (Morehouse) and passed by the following votes:

AYE/S: Addleman, Antonovich, Bailey, Barrows, Becerra, Bertone, Brown, Chen, Choi, Clark, Cooper, Daigle, Daniels, DeGrandpre, Ehrenkranz, Espinoza, Finlay, Forester, Francis, Franklin, Friedman, Gazeley, Genis, Hack, Hansen, Harper, Harrison, Herrera, Hyatt, Jahn, Joe, Johnson, Katapodis, Kelley, Krupa, Lane, Lantz, Lewis, Martin, M. Martinez, Masiel, Dr., McCallon, McEachron, Messina, Millhouse, Mills, Mitchell, Mojado, Morehouse, Munzing, Murdock, Murray, Musser, Neal, O'Leary, O'Connor, Paget, L. Parks, Pedroza, Pettis, Pollock, Ramirez, Roberts, Robertson, Rodriguez, Real Sebastian, Shevlin, Spence, Spiegel, Spohn, Talamantes, Tercero, Terrazas, Viegas-Walker, Voss, Wapner, Watson, Williams, Wilson and Zerunyan

NOE/S: (None) ABSTAIN: McCullough, Navarro and Rush

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## DISCUSSION ITEM

## 2. <u>Southern California's Water Future – Issues, Challenges and Potential Solutions</u>

President Pettis welcomed the panel of speakers. Hasan Ikhrata, Executive Director, introduced meeting Moderator, Richard Atwater, Executive Director, Southern California Water Committee (SCWC).

Mr. Atwater provided background information on SCWC and noted that Fact Sheets have been distributed to the members. He introduced the following panel of speakers: William Croyle, Drought Manager, California Department of Water Resources; Brandon Goshi, Manager, Water Policy and Strategy, Metropolitan Water District (MWD); James Famiglietti, Director, Center for Hydrologic Modeling, UC Irvine; David Petersen, General Manager, Las Virgenes Municipal Water District; and Mark Grey, PhD, Director, Environmental Affairs, Building Industry of Southern California (BIASC).

Mr. Croyle stated that due to California's current water shortfalls, which are among the highest in recorded state history, Governor Brown issued a proclamation declaring a "Drought State of Emergency." Mr. Croyle discussed and illustrated historic water supply lows in California; statewide water allocation; major reservoir conditions; and California's water resources and demands. He provided an update regarding actions taken by California legislators and summarized the drought legislation.

Mr. Goshi presented an overview of MWD and how they manage the state's drought condition while providing service and meeting the demands of 18 million residents in Southern California. He reported on the following: the region's sources and diversification of water; regional investments on conservation, recycling, groundwater recovery and desalination; MWD's 14% increase in storage capacity and reserves; and the Colorado aqueduct—being the major source of water.

Mr. Famiglietti discussed the models being built that is required for groundwater forecast and water management which may be used to link climate prediction models and satellite observations of surface water and soil moisture. He also discussed water storage changes; groundwater depletion; surface water allocations; and increasing water cycle changes in the state.

Mr. Pedersen discussed the importance of communication between water purveyors and the municipalities; the need for collaboration to support the state; to adhere to conservation measures for drought response; funding sources from MWD; and to support Governor Brown's call for 20% voluntary water conservation efforts.

Dr. Grey provided perspective on private land development and public infrastructure. He illustrated the latest generation of Phase 1 MS4 Permits in Southern California and discussed the types of systems and allowed practices that maybe used by cities to comply with stormwater permits. Dr. Grey also presented new technologies to promote conservation and storage.

Mr. Atwater emphasized the importance of the role of the cities; encouraged the Regional Councilmembers to support and adopt the Governor's resolution; and to coordinate water conservation efforts.

Discussion ensued and comments/questions were made related to the challenges in MS4 encountered by the cities in fulfilling stormwater requirements; consideration for a water pipeline and a removable dam system; process of water delivery in the Central Valley; changing agricultural practices while being economically-viable; challenges in the use of artificial turf; drought and snow pack conditions; and the salinity levels with respect to the Bay Delta Conservation Plan (Forrester, O'Leary, Clark, Morehouse, Rush, Hack, Harper, Wilson, Robertson, Spiegel and Mitchell).

As referenced by Mr. Atwater, President Pettis requested a copy of the restrictions of water transfer passed by Congress in 1968 [The Wild and Scenic Rivers Act of 1968]—be provided to staff. Mr. Atwater acknowledged the request.

On behalf of the Regional Council and Policy Committee members, Hasan Ikhrata, Executive Director, acknowledged the panel of speakers and presented each of them with a token of appreciation.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the Joint Meeting of the Regional Council and Policy Committees adjourned at 12:08 p.m.

Lillian Harris-Neal, Clerk of the Board