

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING  
Of the  
CACHUMA OPERATION & MAINTENANCE BOARD  
Held at the**

Cachuma Operation & Maintenance Board Office  
3301 Laurel Canyon Road, Santa Barbara, CA  
**Monday, November 22**

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**1. Call to Order, Roll Call**

The meeting was called to order at 4:59 p.m. by President Lauren Hanson who chaired the meeting. Those in attendance were:

**Directors present:**

Das Williams	City of Santa Barbara
Bob Lieberknecht	Carpinteria Valley Water District
Doug Morgan	Montecito Water District
Lauren Hanson	Goleta Water District
Lee Bettencourt	SYR Water Conservation Dist ID#1

**Others present:**

Kate Rees	William Hair
Danna Mc Grew	Stacey Hansen
Sarah Knecht	John McInnes
Adelle Capponi	Sonja Fernandez
Ruth Snodgrass	Charles Hamilton
Russell Ruiz	Bill Ferguson

*Director Williams stepped out of the meeting at 5:02 pm.*

**2. Public Comment**

There were no comments from the public.

**3. Consent Agenda**

**a. Minutes:**

October 25, 2010 Regular Board Meeting

**b. Investment Funds**

Financial Reports  
Investment Report

**c. Payment of Claims**

Director Morgan moved to approve the consent agenda as presented, seconded by Director Lieberknecht, passed 5/0/2, Director Williams was absent.

*Director Williams returned to the meeting at 5:08 pm.*

#### **4. Report From The Auditor For Fiscal Year 2009-2010: Recommendation to Accept The Audit**

The Financial Statements for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2010 and the Independent Auditor's Report were prepared by Bartlett Pringle & Wolf, and were included in the board packet. Danna McGrew, Partner and Stacey Hanson, Audit Manager summarized the FY 2009-10 audit for the Board of Directors. The auditors did not identify any management concerns or reportable conditions in conducting the audit and issued a clean opinion.

The Auditors met with the Finance Committee, Director Hanson and Director Morgan, to review the audit with them prior to the Board meeting.

Several corrections and changes were noted by staff and the auditors to be reflected in the Final Audit report.

Director Williams moved to accept the Financial Statements for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2010 and the Independent Auditor's Report, seconded by Director Morgan, passed 7/0/0.

#### **5. Reports From the Manager**

**a. Operations Report**

The Operations Report was included in the board packet.

**b. COMB Operating Committee Meeting, October 6, 2010**

Included in the board packet were the summary meeting notes from the October 6, 2010 meeting, the next meeting will be January 5, 2011.

**c. Finance Committee Meeting, November 12, 2010**

Director Hanson reported on the November 12<sup>th</sup> meeting indicating that employee benefits and salaries were discussed; additional information was requested from staff. Director Morgan will also provide some additional compensation information being researched by MWD when the Finance Committee meets again in January. After the material has been reviewed at the committee level, staff will develop a recommendation for the Board.

**d. Propositions 50 and 84 Process Update**

Ms. Rees included updated information in the board packet. Ms. Rees reported that the SWCB had requested confirmation of the amendments submitted for the projects. COMB confirmed the schedule change for Prop 50. Prop 84 Round One grant applications are being developed.

**e. General Manager's Meeting with Reclamation Deputy Commissioners, November 11, 2010**

Ms. Rees reported on her meeting with three Reclamation Deputy Commissioners. She was seeking direction on finding funding for Long-Term Capital improvement needs for the Cachuma Project. Ms. Rees will continue this topic with Don Glaser, Mid-Pacific Regional Director at the ACWA

Conference in December. Ms. Rees also stressed the importance of Reclamation's support during the upcoming Biological Opinion Reconsultation.

- f. **Quagga Mussel Inspection Reports – County of Santa Barbara**  
The Quagga Mussel Inspection monthly report from the County of Santa Barbara was included in the board packet.

- g. **Cachuma Reservoir Current Conditions**

**Date 11/22/2010**

Lake Elevation	735.59 feet
Storage	147,136 acre feet
Rain (for the month to date)	1.34 inches
Rain YTD (for the season to date)	2.76 inches
Fish Release-Hilton	271.4 acre feet for the month
Month to Date Spill	0 acre feet
Year to Date Spill	0 acre feet

**6. 2<sup>nd</sup> Pipeline Project**

- a. **Project Status Report**

The project status report was included in the board packet.

- b. **Permit and NEPA Status Report**

The permit status report was included in the board packet. Ms. Rees reported that the final reports, "Identification and Evaluation of Historic Properties- Tecolote Tunnel South Portal Vault, Tailings, and Construction Access Road" and the "Buried Site Assessment at Two Locations" have been completed and approved by Reclamation. A letter of no adverse effect will now be submitted by Reclamation to SHPO for a 30 day review.

The EIS has been completed by Reclamation and has been reviewed by COMB. The completed EIS will be sent to Washington D.C. and posted in the Federal Registry for 30 days.

- c. **Revised Funding Process and Project Approval Schedule**

A revised schedule was included in the board packet.

- d. **Consider Third Extension of Construction Bid from Blois Construction, Inc.**

Ms. Rees reported that Jim Blois has agreed to another sixty (60) day extension to the bid for the Upper Reach Reliability Project, said period ending February 11, 2010.

Director Williams moved to extend the agreement between COMB and Blois Construction, Inc. for the award of contract by an additional sixty (60) days, seconded by Director Morgan, passed 6/0/1, Director Bettencourt abstained.

**7. COMB Resolution No. 515 Commendation For Lee Bettencourt**

President Hanson presented Resolution No. 515 to Lee Bettencourt upon his leaving office as a Director of COMB.

Director Morgan moved to approved Resolution No. 515 commendation for Director Bettencourt, seconded by Director Williams, a roll call vote was taken, passed 6/0/1, Director Bettencourt abstained.

**8. COMB Resolution No. 514 Commendation For Das Williams**

President Hanson presented COMB Resolution 514 and CCRB Resolution 10-10 to Director Williams upon his leaving office as a Director of COMB and CCRB.

Director Morgan moved to approve Resolution 514 commendation for Director Williams, seconded by Director Lieberknecht, a roll call vote was taken, passed 5/0/2, Director Williams abstained.

**9. Directors' Request for Agenda Items for Next Meeting**

Director Morgan requested that a Finance Committee meeting be scheduled to discuss COMB benefits/salaries.

**10. Meeting Schedule**


The next regular Board meeting will be held December 20, 2010 following the CCRB meeting at 2:15 P.M.

The Agendas and Board Packets are available on the COMB website, [www.cachuma-board.org](http://www.cachuma-board.org)

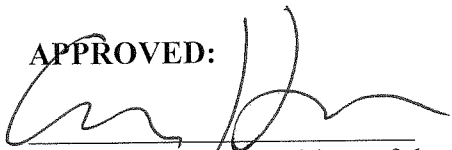
**11. COMB Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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Kate Rees, Secretary of the Board

**APPROVED:**

  
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Lauren Hanson, President of the Board