

**MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING  
of the  
CACHUMA OPERATION & MAINTENANCE BOARD**

**held at  
3301 Laurel Canyon Road, Santa Barbara, CA  
Monday, March 7, 2016**

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

The meeting was called to order at 1:02 p.m. by President Doug Morgan, who chaired the meeting. Those in attendance were:

**Directors present:**

Doug Morgan	Montecito Water District
Harwood "Bendy" White	City of Santa Barbara
Kevin Walsh	SYR Water Conservation Dist, ID No. 1
Polly Holcombe	Carpinteria Valley Water District
Lauren Hanson	Goleta Water District

**Others Present:**

Janet Gingras	Dave Stewart
Tim Robinson	Amy Smith
Adelle Capponi	Pete Dal Bello
Dale Francisco	Gary Kvistad
Charles Hamilton	Giana Magnoli
Chris Dahlstrom	Fray Crease
Tom Fayram	Dan Suchim
John Olson	Joshua Haggmark
Dan Ellison	Bruce Wales
Kathleen Werner	William Carter

**2. Public Comment**

There was no public comment.

**3. Verbal Reports From Board Committees**

- *Fisheries Committee Meeting – March 1, 2016:* Director Holcombe summarized the meeting, providing a status report on each item of the agenda. She informed the Board that an item regarding submittal of the grant application for the Fish Passage Improvement Project at Quiota Creek Crossing 5 is an action item on today's agenda, for which the Fisheries Committee recommends to approve the submittal of the grant application.
- *Operations Committee Meeting – March 3, 2016:* Director Walsh outlined the meeting, noting that the sole item for consideration – the relocation of the Emergency Pumping Facility's pumping barge – is before the Board as an action item on today's agenda. Director Walsh revealed that the Operations Committee had requested certain

language be incorporated into the project's environmental documents that would provide assurances that, in its new location, the barge will be restricted to pumping only water to which South Coast member agencies are entitled.

**4. Resolution No. 610 – Approving Additional Expenditures and the Extension of Time for Approved Expenditures for the Drought Emergency Pumping Facility Project Through June 30, 2017**

Director Holcombe moved to approve Resolution No. 610, pending Board discussion; Director Hanson seconded the motion. Director Walsh distributed a proposed amendment to Resolution No. 610 to the Board for consideration, and Director Holcombe amended her motion to approve Resolution No. 610, as modified by the proposed amendment. Director Hanson subsequently withdrew her second, suggesting that any revisions be considered following initial approval of the Resolution.

Following lengthy discussion comprised of input from the Board, various interested parties and members of the public, COMB General Counsel, Mr. William Carter, proffered to revise the Project Description Augmentation to indicate that lake elevation will be maintained at 656 feet or higher through the start of this summer's WR 89-18 releases. Mr. Carter also proposed to revise the accompanying Resolution No. 610 so that it refers directly back to the Project Description Augmentation.

Director Hanson moved to approve the modifications to the Project Description Augmentation, as presented by Mr. Carter, who then read the revised Project Description Augmentation aloud to the Board; seconded by Director Walsh, the motion passed by unanimous roll call vote:

**Ayes:** White, Walsh, Holcombe, Hanson, Morgan

**Nayes:** None

**Absent/Abstain:** None

Following further consideration, Director Holcombe moved to approve Resolution No. 610, as modified per Mr. Carter's suggestion. Seconded by Director Walsh, the motion passed by unanimous roll call vote:

**Ayes:** White, Walsh, Holcombe, Hanson, Morgan

**Nayes:** None

**Absent/Abstain:** None

**5. Submittal of Grant Application for Fish Passage Improvement Project – Quiota Creek Crossing 5**

Dr. Tim Robinson, Fisheries Division Manager, explained that the referenced grant application would obligate COMB to a \$50,000 construction match, although its submittal would not necessarily commit the Board to pursuing and finally implementing the project. Director Hanson moved to approve submittal of the grant application, with the specified construction match, for the Fish Passage Improvement Project at Quiota Creek Crossing 5. Seconded by Director Holcombe, the motion carried 6/0/1 as follows:

**Ayes:** White, Holcombe, Hanson, Morgan  
**Nays:** None  
**Absent/Abstain:** Walsh

**6. [Closed Session]: Public Employee Appointment**

The Board went into closed session at 2:37 p.m.

- a. [Government Code Section 54957]  
PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT:  
Title: General Manager

**7. Reconvene Into Open Session**

[Government Code Section 54957.7]  
Disclosure of actions taken in closed session, as applicable  
[Government Code Section 54957.1]

The Board came out of closed session at 3:55 p.m.

- a. [Government Code Section 54957]  
PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT:  
Title: General Manager

The Board approves and authorizes offering the position of General Manager to a particular qualified candidate and, should that candidate accept, the appointment of the candidate to that position.

**8. Meeting Schedule**

- The next Regular Board meeting will be held March 28, 2016 at 2:00 p.m.
- The Agendas and Board Packets are available on the COMB Website at [www.cachuma-board.org](http://www.cachuma-board.org).


**9. COMB Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:56 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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Janet Gingras, Secretary to the Board

**APPROVED:**

  
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Doug Morgan, President of the Board