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Megan Clark
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Craig K. Murray
Judy Schriebman
Crystal J. Yezman

The Mission of the Las Gallinas Valley Sanitary District is to protect public health and the environment by providing effective wastewater collection, treatment, and recycling services.

SPECIAL BOARD MEETING AGENDA REVISED

September 2, 2021

In accordance with Government Code Section 54956

Crystal J. Yezman, Board President, has called for a Special Meeting

On March 12, 2020, Governor Newsom issued Executive Order N-25-20, which enhances State and Local Governments' ability to respond to COVID-19 Pandemic based on Guidance for Gatherings issued by the California Department of Public Health. The Executive Order specifically allows local legislative bodies to hold meetings via teleconference and to make meetings accessible electronically, in order to protect public health. In light of this September 2, 2021 meeting of the LGVSD Board will be held via Zoom electronic meeting. There will be NO physical location of the meeting. Due to the current circumstances, there may be limited opportunity to provide verbal comments during the meeting. Persons who wish to address the Board for public comment or on an item on the agenda are encouraged to submit comments in writing to the General Manager (mprinz@lgsd.org) by 5:00 pm on Wednesday, September 1, 2021. In addition, Persons wishing to address the Board verbally must contact the General Manager, by email (mprinz@lgsd.org) and provide their Name; Address; Tel. No.; and the Item they wish to address by the same date and time deadline for submission of written comments, as indicated above. Please keep in mind that any public comments must be limited to 3 minutes due to time constraints. Any written comments will be distributed to the LGVSD Board before the meeting.*

**Prior to the meeting, participants should download the Zoom app at:*

*<https://zoom.us/download> A link to simplified instructions for use of the Zoom app is:
<https://blog.zoom.us/wordpress/2018/07/03/video-communications-best-practice-guide/>*

REMOTE CONFERENCING ONLY

Join Zoom Meeting online at:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83906661392>

OR

By teleconference at: +16699009128 Meeting ID: 839 0666 1392

**MATERIALS RELATED TO ITEMS ON THIS AGENDA ARE AVAILABLE FOR
PUBLIC INSPECTION ON THE DISTRICT WEBSITE WWW.LGVSD.ORG**

NOTE: Final board action may be taken on any matter appearing on agenda

Estimated
Time

OPEN SESSION:

4:00 PM

1. PUBLIC COMMENT

This portion of the meeting is reserved for persons desiring to address the Board on matters not on the agenda and within the jurisdiction of the Las Gallinas Valley Sanitary District. Presentations are generally limited to three minutes. All matters requiring a response will be referred to staff for reply in writing and/or placed on a future meeting agenda. Please contact the General Manager before the meeting.

4:05 PM

2. CONSENT CALENDAR:

These items are considered routine and will be enacted, approved or adopted by one motion unless a request for removal for discussion or explanation is received from the staff or the Board.

- A. Approve the Board Minutes for August 5th, and August 11, 2021
- B. Approve the Warrant List for September 2, 2021
- C. Approve Murray to attend the Bisolids & Renewable Energy Seminar on Oct 13 in Oakland, CA.

Possible expenditure of funds: Yes, Item B and C.

Staff recommendation: Adopt Consent Calendar – Items A through C.

4:15 PM

3. INFORMATION ITEMS:

STAFF/CONSULTANT REPORTS:

- 1. General Manager Report – Verbal
- 2. Fourth Quarter Finance Report – Written

4:45 PM

4. PROMOTIONAL CONVERSIONS – COLLECTION SYSTEM OPERATOR III TO LEAD COLLECTION SYSTEM OPERATOR AND PLANT OPERATOR III POSITION TO LEAD PLANT OPERATOR

Board to discuss the promotional conversion of Plant Operator III to Plant Operator Lead and Collection Systems Operator III to Collections System Lead.

5:15 PM

5. DONATION POLICY

Board to consider the adoption of an updated Donation Policy.

5:45 PM

6. BOARD NORMS SUMMARY DOCUMENT

Board to review the revised Board Norms summary document.

6:00 PM

7. APPOINTMENT IN THE EVENT OF A VACANCY

Board to review policy B-90 regarding an appointment in the event of a Board vacancy.

6:30 PM

8. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS:

- 1. CLARK
 - a. NBWA Board Committee, NBWA Conference Committee, 2021 Employee Climate Survey Ad Hoc Committee, 2021 Operations Control Center Ad Hoc Committee, Other Reports
- 2. ELIAS
 - a. NBWRA, Ad Hoc Engineering Committee re: STPURWE, 2021 GM Evaluation Ad Hoc Committee, 2021 Operations Control Center Ad Hoc Committee, Other Reports
- 3. MURRAY
 - a. Marin LAFCO, CASA Energy Committee, 2021 GM Evaluation Ad Hoc Committee, 2021 Legal Services Ad Hoc Committee, 2021 Employee Climate Survey Ad Hoc Committee, Marin Special Districts Association, Other Reports
- 4. SCHRIEBMAN
 - a. Gallinas Watershed Council/Miller Creek Watershed Council, JPA Local Task Force NBWA Tech Advisory Committee, Other Reports
- 5. YEZMAN
 - a. Flood Zone 7, CSRMA, Ad Hoc Engineering Committee re: STPURWE Engineering Subcommittee, 2021 Legal Services Ad Hoc Committee, Other Reports

6:40 PM

9. BOARD REQUESTS:

- 1. Board Meeting Attendance Requests – Verbal
- 2. Board Agenda Item Requests – Verbal
- 3. Pending Board Agenda Item Requests
 - i. INFORMATION - Pump Station Vegetation and Safety Report
 - ii. ACTION - Relocation Assistance Act Policy for Real Estate Acquisitions

6:45 PM

10. VARIOUS INDUSTRY ARTICLES

6:50 PM

11. ADJOURNMENT

FUTURE BOARD MEETING DATES: SEPTEMBER 16, SEPTEMBER 20 AND OCTOBER 7, 2021

AGENDA APPROVED:	Crystal J. Yezman, Board President	Patrick Richardson, Legal Counsel
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CERTIFICATION: I, Teresa Lerch, District Secretary of the Las Gallinas Valley Sanitary District, hereby declare under penalty of perjury that on or before September 1, 2021 at 4:00 p.m., I posted the Agenda for the Board Meeting of said Board to be held September 2, 2021 at the District Office, located at 101 Lucas Valley Road, Suite 300, San Rafael, CA.

August 30, 2021



Teresa L. Lerch
District Secretary

The Board of the Las Gallinas Valley Sanitary District meets regularly on the first and third Thursday of each month. The District may also schedule additional special meetings for the purpose of completing unfinished business and/or study session. Regular meetings are held at the District Office, 101 Lucas Valley Road, Suite 300, San Rafael, CA.

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance to participate in this meeting, please contact the District at (415) 472-1734 at least 24 hours prior to the meeting. Notification prior to the meeting will enable the District to make reasonable accommodation to help ensure accessibility to this meeting.

9/2/2021

PUBLIC COMMENT

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MEETING MINUTES OF AUGUST 5, 2021

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE LAS GALLINAS VALLEY SANITARY DISTRICT MET IN OPEN SESSION BY ZOOM CONFERENCE ON AUGUST 5, 2021 AT 3:32 PM AND STAFF BY ZOOM CONFERENCE AT THE DISTRICT OFFICE, 101 LUCAS VALLEY ROAD, SUITE 300 CONFERENCE ROOM, SAN RAFAEL, CA. 94903

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: M. Clark, R. Elias, C. Murray, J. Schriebman and C. Yezman

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: None.

STAFF PRESENT: Mike Prinz, General Manager; Teresa Lerch, Mike Cortez, District Engineer, Mel Liebmann, Plant Manager;

OTHERS PRESENT: Patrick Richardson, District Counsel;

ANNOUNCEMENT: President Yezman announced that the agenda had been posted as evidenced by the certification on file in accordance with the law

- 1. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** None
- 2. Director Schriebman requested that the Agenda item Donation Policy be moved up on the Agenda to be discussed after the Consent Calendar.

ACTION:
Board approved (M/S Yezman/Schriebman 5-0-0-0) discussing agenda item Donation Policy after the Consent Calendar.

- AYES: Clark, Elias, Murray, Schriebman and Yezman .
- NOES: None.
- ABSENT: None.
- ABSTAIN: None.

- 3. **CONSENT CALENDAR:**
These items are considered routine and will be enacted, approved or adopted by one motion unless a request for removal for discussion or explanation is received from the staff or the Board.
 - A. Approve the Board Minutes for July 1, July 7, July 8, July 13 and July 15, 2021
 - B. Approve the Warrant List for August 5, 2021
 - C. Approve Murray attending the CSDA Conference August 31-September 2 in Monterey
 - D. Approve Schriebman attending the WateReuse Discussion on Desalination, Treatments, Research and the Future Webinar August 11, 2021

ACTION:
Board approved (M/S Murray/Clark 5-0-0-0) Consent Calendar items A through D.

- AYES: Clark, Elias, Murray, Schriebman and Yezman .
- NOES: None.
- ABSENT: None.
- ABSTAIN: None.

- 4. **DONATION POLICY**
Board reviewed a draft Donation Policy which set a maximum annual funding level per applicant. The Board suggested some revisions to the policy and asked that this item be brought back to a future Board meeting.

5. INFORMATION ITEMS:

STAFF / CONSULTANT REPORTS:

1. General Manager Report – Prinz reported
2. Collections and Operations Departmental Reports –Prinz and Liebman reported.

6. CPMC CONTRACT AMENDMENT 1

Board reviewed the CPMC Contract Amendment 1. Discussion ensued.

ACTION:

Board approved (M/S Clark/Schriebman 5-0-0-0) the contract amendment with CPM Construction in the amount of \$89,700 and authorized the budget reallocation from the CIP Budget.

AYES: Clark, Elias, Murray, Schriebman and Yezman.
NOES: None.
ABSENT: None.
ABSTAIN: None.

Director Schriebman left at 4:59 pm.

7. AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR STANDBY GENERATOR SYSTEM INSTALLATION

Board discussed the award of contract for the Standby Generator System Installation to G.D. Nielsen Construction, Inc.

ACTION:

Board approved (M/S Murray/Yezman 4-0-1-0) the Award of Contract for Standby Generator System Installation to G.D. Nielsen Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$437,041 and authorized the budget reallocation from the CIP Budget.

AYES: Clark, Elias, Murray and Yezman.
NOES: None.
ABSENT: Schriebman
ABSTAIN: None.

8. PLACEMENT OF RESOLUTIONS ON CONSENT CALENDAR

Board discussed the placement of Resolutions on the Board Agenda. No action will be taken.

9. PUBLIC COMMENT – none.

10. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS:

1. CLARK

- a. NBWA Board Committee –no report
- b. NBWA Conference Committee – no report
- c. 2021 Employee Climate Survey Ad Hoc Committee- no report
- d. 2021 Operations Control Center Ad Hoc Committee – no report
- e. Other Reports–no report

2. ELIAS

- a. NBWRA– verbal report
- b. Ad Hoc Engineering Committee—no report
- c. Ad Hoc 2021 GM Evaluation Committee –no report
- d. 2021 Operations Control Center Ad Hoc Committee – no report
- e. Other Reports– no report

3. MURRAY

- a. Marin LAFCO – no report

- b. CASA Energy Committee– no report
- c. Ad Hoc 2021 GM Evaluation Committee – no report
- d. 2021 Legal Services Ad Hoc Committee – no report
- e. 2021 Employee Climate Survey Ad Hoc Committee- no report
- f. Marin County Special Districts Association – no report
- g. Other Reports – no report

4. SCHRIEBMAN - Absent

- a. Gallinas Watershed Council/Miller Creek Watershed Council– no report
- b. JPA Local Task Force– no report
- c. NBWA Tech Advisory Committee– no report
- d. Other Reports- no report

5. YEZMAN

- a. Flood Zone 7– no report
- b. CSRMA verbal report
- c. Ad Hoc Engineering Committee– no report
- d. 2021 Legal Services Ad Hoc Committee – no report
- e. Other Reports–no report

11. BOARD REQUESTS:

- A. Board Meeting Attendance Requests- none.
- B. Board Agenda Item Requests- Schriebman requested the agenda item Strategic Plan Workshop Planning be on the next agenda.
- C. Board Secretary Lerch advised the upcoming Board Meeting Dates:

August 11	Special Meeting	4:30 pm	Closed Session
August 19	Regular Meeting	3:30 pm	
September 2	Regular Meeting	3:30 pm	

12. VARIOUS INDUSTRY RELATED ARTICLES – discussion ensued.

13. ADJOURNMENT:

ACTION:

Board approved (M/S Elias/Murray 4-0-1-0) the adjournment of the meeting at 5:24 p.m.

- AYES: Clark, Elias, Murray and Yezman
- NOES: None.
- ABSENT: Schriebman
- ABSTAIN: None.

The next Board Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, August 11, 2021 at 4:30 pm Zoom.

ATTEST:

Teresa Lerch, District Secretary

APPROVED:

Megan Clark, Board Vice-President

MEETING MINUTES OF AUGUST 11, 2021

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND STAFF OF THE LAS GALLINAS VALLEY SANITARY DISTRICT MET IN OPEN SESSION BY ZOOM CONFERENCE ON AUGUST 11, 2021 AT 4:33 PM AT THE DISTRICT OFFICE, 101 LUCAS VALLEY ROAD, SUITE 300, SAN RAFAEL, CALIFORNIA.

- BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** M. Clark, R. Elias, C. Murray, J. Schriebman and C. Yezman
- BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:** None
- STAFF PRESENT:** Mike Prinz, General Manager; Teresa Lerch, Board Secretary; Dale McDonald, District Treasurer,
- OTHERS PRESENT:** Patrick Richardson, District Counsel;
- ANNOUNCEMENT:** President Yezman that the agenda had been posted as evidenced by the certification on file in accordance with the law
1. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

2. CLOSED SESSION:

ACTION:

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE LAS GALLINAS VALLEY SANITARY DISTRICT ADJOURNED TO CLOSED SESSION ON AUGUST 11, 2021 , AT 4:34 PM, BY ZOOM CONFERENCE AND AT THE DISTRICT OFFICE, 101 LUCAS VALLEY ROAD, SUITE 300, CONFERENCE ROOM, SAN RAFAEL, CALIFORNIA.

Lerch left the meeting at 4:34 pm.

CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR – Agency designated representative : Gregory Ramirez, IEDA; Employee organization: IUOE Local 3: pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6

ADJOURNMENT:

ACTION:

The Board of Directors of the Las Gallinas Valley Sanitary District reconvened the Regular Session on August 11, 2021 at 5:01 pm.

REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION: President Yezman reported that the Board approved terms and conditions in the Tentative Total Agreement with Operating Engineers Local 3 and gave the General Manager authority to finalize contract language in a successor Memorandum of Understanding (MOU).

3. ADJOURNMENT:

ACTION:

Board approved (M/S Schriebman/Yezman 5-0-0-0) the adjournment of the meeting at 5:03 PM.

- AYES: Clark, Elias, Murray, Schriebman and Yezman.
NOES: None.
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None.

The next Board Meeting is scheduled for August 16, 2021 8:00 am at the District Office.

ATTEST:

Teresa Lerch, Board Secretary

APPROVED:

Megan Clark, Board Vice-President

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Agenda Item 2B
Date September 2, 2022

Las Gallinas Valley Sanitation District Warrant List 9/02/2021 DRAFT							
	Date	Num	Vendor	Original Amount	Addition and Adjustment	Total Amount	Description for items
1	9/2/2021	EFT1	ADP Payroll	143,699.86		143,699.86	Payroll & Processing Charges Paydate 8/27/21
2	9/2/2021	N/A	All Star Rents	267.30		267.30	Bullfloat w/2 Handles, Saw
3	9/2/2021	N/A	Alliant Insurance Group	55.00		55.00	Vehicle Insurance Policy - Fourth Qtr. Endorsement
4	9/2/2021	N/A	Aramark	420.61		420.61	Uniform Services for 8/16 & 8/23
5	9/2/2021	N/A	ArcSine Engineering	40,218.80		40,218.80	STPURWE - Programming Services
6	9/2/2021	N/A	ArcSine Engineering	4,608.11		4,608.11	Marin Lagoon Pump Station Programming
7	9/2/2021	EFT2	Bank of Marin	47,335.64		47,335.64	Recycled Water Loan Payment- September
8	9/2/2021	N/A	Bartley Pump (aka Pump Man)	2,082.50		2,082.50	Repairs on Pump 3
9	9/2/2021	ACH	Bay Area Clean Water Agencies	9,827.50		9,827.50	Annual Association Dues, CBC Fee & Nutrient Surcharge
10	9/2/2021	N/A	Cal-Pacific Reporting, Inc.	148.50		148.50	Conference Room Rental
11	9/2/2021	EFT	CalPERS 457 Plan	6,178.00		6,178.00	EE's Deferred Comp Payment - Paydate 8/13/2021
12	9/2/2021	EFT	CalPERS CERBT-OPEB	11,630.00		11,630.00	Pre-Fund GASB Payment - September
13	9/2/2021	EFT	CalPERS Health	38,087.27		38,087.27	CalPERS Health- Active & Employer Retiree Share - September
14	9/2/2021	EFT	CalPERS Required Contribution	700.00		700.00	GASB-68 Reports & Schedules
15	9/2/2021	EFT	CalPERS Retirement	20,525.48		20,525.48	EE & ER Payment to Retirement- Paydate 08/13/2021
16	9/2/2021	N/A	CD & Power	7,404.73		7,404.73	4-40 KW Generators-Rentals for Power Outages - 7/30 - 8/26
17	9/2/2021	ACH	Contractor Compliance & Monitoring	1,406.00		1,406.00	Labor Compliance -Air Release Valve and Vault Replacement - June
18	9/2/2021	N/A	Cropper Accountancy Corporation	2,500.00		2,500.00	Progress Billing - 2020/21 Audit
19	9/2/2021	EFT	Direct Dental	36.39		36.39	EE Dental Payment
20	9/2/2021	ACH	Edelstein, Daniel	1,650.00		1,650.00	Canada Goose Project & Bio Reporting for NPDES Permit- July
21	9/2/2021	N/A	Federal Express	119.99		119.99	Misc. Mailing
22	9/2/2021	ACH	Fishman Supply Co.	429.81		429.81	Compostable Cups- 3000 for Lucas Valley * Smith Ranch
23	9/2/2021	N/A	Freyer & Laureta, Inc.	19,368.23		19,368.23	Misc. Pump Station Improvements, On-Call Engineering Services- July
24	9/2/2021	ACH	Grainger	1,509.78		1,509.78	Safety Hard Hats, High Visibility Vests, Tap/Dye Set, Misc. Supplies
25	9/2/2021	ACH	HDR Engineering Inc.	2,950.84		2,950.84	Sanitary District Rate Study, Biosolids Systems Improvement Analysis - July
26	9/2/2021	N/A	Jackson's Hardware	401.79		401.79	Square, Pinlock Hard Hat, Safety Vest, Fire Extinguisher Sign
27	9/2/2021	ACH	Kennedy/Jenks Consulting	8,808.80		8,808.80	Descanso Force Main Alignment Analysis - July
28	9/2/2021	ACH	Kleinfelder	12,626.60		12,626.60	STPURWE- Construction Inspection & Materials Testing-July
29	9/2/2021	N/A	Liebert Cassidy Whitmore	1,755.00		1,755.00	Legal Services/Consulting

Las Gallinas Valley Sanitation District Warrant List 9/02/2021 DRAFT							
	Date	Num	Vendor	Original Amount	Addition and Adjustment	Total Amount	Description for Items
30	9/2/2021	N/A	Marin Ace	17.01		17.01	Caster Plate, Bulk Screws
31	9/2/2021	ACH	Marin Independent Journal	897.71		897.71	Annual Newspaper Subscription
32	9/2/2021	N/A	Novato Builders Supply Inc.	141.94		141.94	Misc. Supplies
33	9/2/2021	ACH	Nute Engineering	113.00		113.00	On-Call Support for Integrated Wastewater Master Plan- July
34	9/2/2021	N/A	Operating Engineers	517.82		517.82	Union Dues Paydate 8/27/2021
35	9/2/2021	ACH	Orion Protection Services Group	318.50		318.50	Nightly Patrol 300 Smith Ranch Rd.
36	9/2/2021	N/A	P2S Inc.	20,459.50		20,459.50	Shock Arc Flash Hazard Analysis
37	9/2/2021	N/A	Pace Supply	95.47		95.47	Hypo Tank
38	9/2/2021	N/A	Pacific Crest Group	165.00		165.00	HR Consulting Services- July
39	9/2/2021	N/A	Piazza Construction	12,400.00		12,400.00	Miscellaneous Plant Equipment Demolition & Disposal, On-Call Construction Contract Projects
40	9/2/2021	ACH	Regional Government Services	3,698.64		3,698.64	Master Agreement - On-Call HR - July
41	9/2/2021	ACH	TCI Business Capital	7,614.00		7,614.00	Additional Temp Operator for Vacancies
42	9/2/2021	N/A	United Site Services	556.95		556.95	Porta Potties for Water Stopages
43	9/2/2021	N/A	USABlueBook	689.37		689.37	Gloves, Manhole Cover Lifter, Adapters
44	9/2/2021	EFT	Vision Service Plan	455.49		455.49	Vision Coverage for September
45	9/2/2021	N/A	WRA, Inc.	5,837.62		5,837.62	Miller Creek 5- year Monitoring and Reporting Service
46	9/2/2021	N/A	Zee Medical Company	464.62		464.62	First Aid Kit Refills

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TOTAL \$ 441,195.17 \$ - \$ 441,195.17

EFT1	EFT1 = Payroll (Amount Required)	143,699.86	143,699.86	Approval:
EFT2	EFT2 = Bank of Marin loan payments	47,335.64	47,335.64	
PC	Petty Cash Checking	0.00	0.00	Finance
>1	Checks (Operating Account)	0.00	0.00	
N/A	Checks - Not issued	120,695.86	120,695.86	GM
EFT	EFT = Vendor initiated "pulls" from LGVSD	77,612.63	77,612.63	
ACH	ACH = LGVSD initiated "push" to Vendor	51,851.18	51,851.18	Board
	Total	<u>\$ 441,195.17</u>	<u>\$ 441,195.17</u>	

Difference: \$ -

STPURWE Costs 52,845.40

AGENDA ITEM 2C
DATE September 2, 2021



BOARD MEMBER CONFERENCE/ MEETING ATTENDANCE REQUEST

Date: 8/23/21 Name: MURRAY, CRAIG K.

I would like to attend the BIOLOGICAL + RENEWABLE ENERGY SEMINAR Meeting
of CWEA + CASA

To be held on the 13TH day of OCT. from 8 a.m. / p.m. to
13TH day of OCT. from 345 a.m. / p.m.
TO

Location of meeting: ELIHU M. HARRIS STATE OFFICE BUILDING, OAKLAND

Actual meeting date(s): OCTOBER 13, 2021

Meeting Type: (In person/Webinar/Conference) IN PERSON

Purpose of Meeting: WW COMMUNITY + TECHNOLOGY PROVIDER UPDATES

Meeting relevance to District: POSSIBLE NEW PFAS REGS.; SB 1383 ORGANICS DIVERSION

	YES	NO
Request assistance from Board Secretary to register for Conference:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Request assistance from Board Secretary to register for Hotel:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A

Board Directors to book their own transportation including Airfare, taxi and/or shuttles.

Frequency of Meeting: 1x

Estimated Costs of Travel (if applicable): \$50.

Date submitted to Board Secretary: 8/23/21

Board approval obtained on Date: _____

Please submit this form to the Board Secretary no later than 1 week prior to the Board Meeting.



OCT
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Oakland

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Los Angeles

BIOSOLIDS & RENEWABLE ENERGY SEMINARS

EVENT INFO

- OCT. 13 & 14, 2021
- 8:00 - 3:45 PM

LOCATION | Oct. 13

Elihu M. Harris State
Office Building
2nd Floor - Room 1
1515 Clay Street, Oakland 94612

LOCATION | Oct. 14

City of Los Angeles, LA Sanitation
Environmental Learning Center
Hyperion WRP,
12000 Vista Del Mar
Playa Del Rey, CA 90293

**Register by Sept. 30
to save \$20**

Lunch provided

Sandwich & salad buffet options

**CWEA Technical Certification
Program** Contact Hours TBD

Register on CWEA's website
events.cwea.org

CASA and CWEA are actively monitoring local health and safety requirements. This event may go virtual. We'll keep registered attendees up-to-date.

State regulations on organics diversion (SB 1383) and possible new PFAS regulations are a call to action for the wastewater community and technology providers. Water resource recovery facilities will help the state achieve its ambitious climate change mitigation mandates by producing more green energy and improved soil health through the use of biosolids as **SB 1383** is implemented.

Hear the latest case studies, regulatory action, and updates on innovative projects from utilities, technology innovators and regulators as they implement new, cutting edge technologies and ideas.

During this fast-paced seminar, hosted by CASA's Greg Kester, you can learn, share, ask questions and network with fellow wastewater professionals interested in pushing resource recovery forward.

This seminar unites all of us — utilities, regulators, State Water Board, operators and engineers — to work together to implement a cleaner, greener future for California.





BIOSOLIDS & RENEWABLE ENERGY SEMINARS

8:00 a.m. - 8:25 a.m.	Arrival and Reception
8:25 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.	Welcome: Greg Kester
8:30 a.m. - 8:55 a.m.	SBI383 Implementation Overview and Questions Ashlee Yee in Oakland; Mallory Burden in Los Angeles - CalRecycle
8:55 a.m. - 9:20 a.m.	SWRCB Administrative Order to POTWs on PFAS Results, Interpretation, and Next Steps Wendy Linck - SWRCB
9:20 a.m. - 9:45 a.m.	UC Office of the President Initiative to Secure Biogas from POTWs Sam Schabacker
9:45 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.	BREAK
10:00 a.m. - 10:25 a.m.	Financial Opportunities for Renewable Resource Projects Brandon Moffitt - Stormfisher
10:25 a.m. - 10:50 a.m.	Regional Biosolids and Biogas Solution Yaniv Scherson - Anaergia
10:50 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.	Biological Desulfurization (H ₂ S removal) of Biogas for Renewable Energy Production Jesper Horlyk-Jensen - BiogasClean
11:15 a.m. - 11:40 a.m.	Anaerobic Digestion Optimization Justin Wippo - Thermal Process Systems
11:40 a.m. - 12:05 p.m.	How a Smart Sewer Platform is Helping the City of Houston Implement a Needs-based Maintenance and Real-time SSO Prediction Pablo Calibuig - GoAigua
12:05 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.	Lunch is provided
1:00 p.m. - 1:25 p.m.	Pretreatment Technology for Food Waste Recovery and Biopulp Production Lars Nielsen - Gemidan Ecogi
1:25 p.m. - 1:50 p.m.	Hydro Thermal Carbonization John Ellersick - Next Rung Technology
1:50 p.m. - 2:15 p.m.	BioforceTech and Pyrolysis at Silicon Valley Clean Water Monte Hamamoto
2:15 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.	BREAK
2:30 p.m. - 2:55 p.m.	Gasification Project with Biosolids in Linden, NJ Joe Regnery - Aries Technology
2:55 p.m. - 3:20 p.m.	Solids Reduction Technology Steve Delson and Mike Moore - Gate5
3:20 p.m. - 3:45 p.m.	Varcor: Transforming Biosolids Management TBD - Sedon/Generate Capital

REGISTRATION FORM

BIOSOLIDS & RENEWABLE ENERGY SEMINARS

(PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE)

Register online: events.cwea.org

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Agency/Company: _____ Title: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone Number: _____ E-Mail: _____

Emergency Contact: _____ Emergency Phone: _____

CWEA MEMBER WEF MEMBER CASA MEMBER AGENCY/FIRM

(Check all that apply. Must have current membership for member rates.)

Special Services: Check here if you require special accommodations to full participate.

Attach a written description of your needs and return it to CWEA 30 days prior to the conference.

Dietary Restrictions: Check here to indicate dietary restrictions. _____

Tell us a bit about you. Please select one response for each question.

1. WHAT IS YOUR CAREER STAGE?		2. WHAT IS YOUR PRIMARY PRACTICE AREA?	
<input type="checkbox"/> Student	<input type="checkbox"/> Job Seeker	<input type="checkbox"/> Collection Systems	<input type="checkbox"/> Electrical/Instrumentation
<input type="checkbox"/> Entry-level	<input type="checkbox"/> Journey-level	<input type="checkbox"/> Engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> Laboratory <input type="checkbox"/> Plant Maintenance
<input type="checkbox"/> Supervisor	<input type="checkbox"/> Management	<input type="checkbox"/> Plant Operations	<input type="checkbox"/> Pretreatment <input type="checkbox"/> Public Outreach
<input type="checkbox"/> Executive	<input type="checkbox"/> Retiree <input type="checkbox"/> Other	<input type="checkbox"/> Safety	<input type="checkbox"/> Stormwater <input type="checkbox"/> Utility Executive <input type="checkbox"/> Other
3. WHAT TYPE OF ORGANIZATION DO YOU WORK FOR?			
<input type="checkbox"/> Municipal - Large (400K+ customers)		<input type="checkbox"/> Municipal - Medium (50K-400K customers)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Municipal - Small (< 50K customers)		<input type="checkbox"/> Non-municipal - Consulting Firm	
<input type="checkbox"/> Non-municipal - Manufacturer or sales representative		<input type="checkbox"/> Non-municipal - Regulator, State or Federal <input type="checkbox"/> Other	

REGISTRATION		For assistance contact: MEMBER SERVICES	
OAKLAND <input type="checkbox"/> LOS ANGELES <input type="checkbox"/>		510.382.7800 option 4 or memberservices@cwea.org	
	CASA/CWEA Member	CASA/CWEA Non-Member	
<input type="checkbox"/> EARLY BIRD RATE	\$185	\$235	
<input type="checkbox"/> REGULAR RATE	\$205	\$255	
<input type="checkbox"/> SPEAKER	\$0	\$0	
<input type="checkbox"/> STUDENT Provide proof of college attendance w/minimum of 9 units.	\$0	\$0	
Fee Total \$			

PAYMENT INFORMATION

For payments by check or money order, make payable to: CWEA BIOSOLIDS21.

For payments by credit card, please print clearly.

Credit card: VISA MASTERCARD DISCOVER AMEX Signature: _____

Credit card number: _____ Expiration date: _____

Name of account holder: _____ Billing zip code: _____

REGISTRATION OPTIONS:

1. Register online at events.cwea.org
2. Send registration form and payments to:
CWEA Workshops
7677 Oakport Street, Suite 1030
Oakland, CA 94621-1935

Full payment or purchase order is required to process registrations. If you have to cancel, written cancellation notice is required and must be received at least 15 days prior to the workshop date. A 25% service fee shall be retained on all cancellations. No refunds shall be given for cancellations made less than 15 days prior to the event. A written special service request is required 30 days in advance.

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General Manager Report

- Separate Item to be distributed at Board Meeting
- Separate Item to be distributed prior to Board Meeting
- Verbal Report
- Presentation



Agenda Summary Report

To: Mike Prinz, General Manager *MJP*
From: Dale McDonald, Administrative Services Manager *DM*
 (415) 526-1519 dmcDonald@lgvsd.org
Meeting Date: September 2, 2021
Re: Quarterly Financial Reports & Treasurer’s Report as of June 30, 2021

Item Type: Consent Action Information Other
Standard Contract: Yes No (See attached) Not Applicable

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Information only

BACKGROUND

Treasurer’s Report:

Pursuant to the State of California Government Code Section 56300, and the District’s investment policy adopted on February 23, 2017, and industry best practices, staff prepares a quarterly report on the District’s cash position, investments, and liquidity.

As specified in California Government Code Section 53646(e), if all funds are placed in Local Agency Investment Fund (LAIF), FDIC-insured accounts and/or in a county investment pool, the reporting elements may be replaced by copies of the latest statements from such institutions.

The attached Treasurer’s Report presents the District’s bank and investment account balances as of June 30, 2021. Total Cash and Investments of \$43.1 million, including California Infrastructure and Economic Development Bank (IBank) State Revolving Fund (SRF), reflect a decrease of \$12.7 million during the previous twelve-month period. This decrease is the result of major capital project expenditures from funds that were accumulated specifically for those capital projects.

Included with the Treasurer’s Report is the LAIF remittance advice from the State Controller which includes report on earnings ratio, interest rate, and current market value as of June 30, 2021. The LAIF interest rate has decreased from 0.44% as of March 31, 2021 to 0.33% as of June 30, 2021.

The District’s investments comply with its investment policy and the District has sufficient funds available to meet its obligations for the next six months.

Quarterly Financial Report:

Quarterly reviews can include comparisons of financial plans and budgets, current forecasts, and actual results. Highlights and summaries of financial activities can be provided. The following items are highlights as of June 30, 2021:



Treasurer's Report on Operating and Investment Accounts

- Operating accounts total \$5,709,466 as of June 30, 2021. The operating account balance fluctuates based on anticipated need and the Change from Previous Year is not as important as is the Total Cash and Investments at the bottom of the Treasurer's Report.
- An internal audit of the Marin Lagoon and Captains Cove accounts is pending. Quarterly billing and fund transfer reconciliations have not been completed since March 2019. Funds that should have been allocated to these two special operating accounts have remained in the primary Operating account. Based on prior historical fund transfers it is estimated that \$45,000 will be transferred to the Captains Cove account and \$78,000 will be transferred to the Marin Lagoon account.
- Capital Project Reserve Fund Money Market increase of \$1,031,893 over last year is attributable to Marin Municipal Water District buy-in and debt service payment transfers into the funds. The fund is reserved for the STPURWE project and is expected to be drawn down in 2022.
- Three disbursement requests from the California Infrastructure and Economic Development Bank (IBank) in the amount of \$2,616,327.02 was made this quarter. The remaining balance for use towards the STPURWE project as of June 30, 2021 is \$6,090,921.87. IBank disbursements will occur as payment requests from Meyers & Sons Construction are received.
- The 2017 Revenue Bonds issued to fund the Secondary Treatment Plant Upgrade Recycled Water Expansion (STPURWE) project was exhausted in October 2020. The US Bank Bond Fund is used to service bond principal and interest payments made by the District. The balance of US Bank funds as of June 30 is \$116 which represents the interest accrued since the account was opened in 2017.

Other Highlights

The financial statements for fiscal year ending June 30, 2021 were presented on June 17, 2021 along with the budget for fiscal year 2021-22. End of year-end audit adjustments are pending.

Staff has engaged with Cropper Accountancy and has begun preparing for the 2020-21 audit. It is anticipated that the audit will be presented to the Board on November 18 or December 2, 2021.

PREVIOUS BOARD ACTION

N/A

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

N/A

FISCAL IMPACT

None

**Las Gallinas Valley Sanitary District
Treasurer's Report - Operating and Investment Accounts
June 30, 2021**

I. Account Summary: Bank and Investment Accounts Accounts Summary	June		Change from Previous Year
	2021	2020	
Summary of Bank and Investment Accounts			
OPERATIONS:			
Bank of Marin			
Operating Accounts	5,709,466	3,183,366	2,526,100
Liquid Savings	225,431	225,105	327
Private Sewer Lateral Rehab	369,142	170,422	198,720
Surcharge-Marin Lagoon	84,595	84,472	123
Surcharge-Captains Cove	17,266	17,241	25
Connection Fee	316,998	96,745	220,253
Capital Project Reserve Fund Money Market 3983	3,642,237	2,610,344	1,031,893
Petty cash	966	928	38
Investment Accounts			
Debt Service Reserve-Recycled Water	599,672	596,269	3,403
Debt Service Reserve-SRF Loan	300,458	298,755	1,703
Local Agency Investment Fund	<u>25,702,059</u>	<u>27,884,307</u>	<u>(2,182,248)</u>
Cash and Investments	<u>\$ 36,968,290</u>	<u>\$ 35,167,955</u>	<u>\$ 1,800,336</u>
IBANK SRF AGREEMENT:	6,090,922	12,000,000	(5,909,078)
RESTRICTED 2017 BOND			
US Bank Bond & Cost of Issuance Funds	<u>\$ 116</u>	<u>\$ 8,632,794</u>	<u>\$ (8,632,678)</u>
TOTAL CASH AND INVESTMENTS	<u>\$ 43,059,328</u>	<u>\$ 55,800,749</u>	<u>\$ (12,741,421)</u>

II. Account Activity for Bank of Marin Accounts

Bank of Marin operating account activity is for paying regular operating expenses of the District. Funds are transferred from the Liquid Savings to the Operating account as needed.

Statement of Compliance:

The investments accounts are invested in compliance with the District's investment policy, adopted at the February 23, 2017 Board meeting and California Government Code Section 53600. In addition, the District does have the financial ability to meet its cash flow requirements for the next six months.

Prepared by:  8/25/21
Dale McDonald, Administrative Services Manager

Approved by:  8/25/2021
Mike Prinz, General Manager



BETTY T. YEE

California State Controller

LOCAL AGENCY INVESTMENT FUND
REMITTANCE ADVICE

Agency Name

LAS GALINAS VLY SANITARY DIST

Account Number

70-21-005

As of 07/15/2021, your Local Agency Investment Fund account has been directly credited with the interest earned on your deposits for the quarter ending 06/30/2021.

Earnings Ratio		.00000897371743018
Interest Rate		0.33%
Dollar Day Total	\$	2,338,460,252.87
Quarter End Principal Balance	\$	25,702,059.31
Quarterly Interest Earned	\$	20,984.68



Agenda Summary Report

To: Mike Prinz, General Manager
From: Dale McDonald, Administrative Services Manager *DM*
 (415) 526-1519 dmcDonald@lgvsd.org
Meeting Date: September 2, 2021
Re: Promotional Conversions – Collection System Operator III to Lead Collection System Operator and Plant Operator III position to Lead Plant Operator
Item Type: Consent Action Information Other
Standard Contract: Yes No (See attached) Not Applicable

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Board to approve converting one Collection System Operator III position to a Lead Collection System Operator position and converting one Plant Operator III position to a Lead Plant Operator position.

BACKGROUND

Lead Collection System Operator

The Lead Collection System Operator is the advanced journey-level classification in the collection system operator series responsible for directing assigned crew and/or performing the most complex duties required to ensure that the District’s wastewater collection infrastructure, facilities and equipment are maintained in a safe working condition. There is currently one lead position in the collection system division. The District has had two lead positions in this division in the past.

Lead Plant Operator

The Lead Plant Operator position is the advanced journey-level classification in the Plant Operator series responsible for directing assigned staff and/or performing the most complex duties required to ensure that the District’s wastewater treatment system facilities and equipment are properly operated and maintained. There is currently one lead position in the plant division.

Justification and Summary

Expanding the number of lead positions in the collection and plant divisions will provide promotional opportunities to existing staff. It will enhance the District’s scheduling flexibility and will improve succession planning. Expanding the positions is consistent with the District’s Strategic Initiative to conduct organizational reviews which keep the District’s team operating at its best.

Having limited opportunities for advancement was identified in FutureSense’s Employee Climate Assessment Report as a cultural issue for the District. Approving these conversions to lead roles provides opportunities for internal advancement.



Both classifications already exist on the Salary Schedule so there no need to adopt a new pay scale. Both positions are represented by Operating Engineers Local No. 3 (OE3).

Upon approval the General Manager will competitively promote leads from qualified internal candidate pools.

PREVIOUS BOARD ACTION

None

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

N/A

FISCAL IMPACT

Base pay for the Lead Collection System Operator is higher than the Collection Systems Operator III position which is the next highest Collection System classification. It is estimated that converting the position will cost an additional \$7,500 to \$8,500 annually. The financial impact to the base salary will be between \$513 and \$623 per month depending on the step level of the promoted employee.

- The monthly salary range for the Collection System Operator III position is \$6,669 to \$8,107.
- The monthly salary range for the Lead Collection System Operator position is \$7,182 to \$8,730.

Pay for the Lead Plant Operator is higher than the Plant Operator III position which is the next highest Plant operations classification. It is estimated that converting the position will cost the District an additional \$9,000 to \$11,000 annually. The financial impact to the base salary will be between \$609 and \$741 per month depending on the step level of the promoted employee.

- The monthly salary range for the Plant Operator III position is \$7,928 to \$9,636.
- The monthly salary range for the Lead Plant Operator position is \$8,537 to \$10,377.



Agenda Summary Report

To: Mike Prinz, General Manager *MP*
 From: Dale McDonald, Administrative Services Manager *M*
 (415) 526-1519 dmcDonald@lgvsd.org
 Meeting Date: September 2, 2021
 Re: Donation Policy
 Item Type: Consent Action Information Other
 Standard Contract: Yes No (See attached) Not Applicable

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Board to consider adopting the attached Donation Policy to establish a formal procedure for allocating funds to community groups requesting contributions from the District for educational or nonprofit programs and events.

The Board to give direction to staff on whether the donation request by River Otter Ecology Project can be considered without a formal application as their request was submitted prior to the donation policy being finalized.

BACKGROUND

From time to time the District receives requests from various organizations for financial contributions. To date, no policy exists to delineate a basis for approving or denying such requests. A Donation Policy will define how the District decides to contribute funds to community groups that provide benefit the District.

Historically there has been one request a year from various entities ranging from \$647 to \$11,000. The largest donation in recent years was in 2018 to Point Blue Conservation Science consisting of a \$7,000 direct donation and matching grant of \$4,000.

If the policy is adopted, District staff will develop program materials, including application forms and reporting guideline documents, that will be part of the donation program. Staff will incorporate feedback from the Board in the development of the program materials.

There has been one donation request, from River Otter Ecology Project, which was received while the donation policy was under development. In addition, Point Blue Conservation Science recently heard about the District's donation policy and called to inquire about opportunities for their STRAW program.

PREVIOUS BOARD ACTION

The Board previously expressed interest in establishing a Donation Policy and directed staff to bring a policy to the Board for consideration. On January 21, 2021, the Board provided feedback on a draft Donation Policy and instructed staff to revise and bring the item back to the Board.



On July 1, the Board received a request for donation from River otter Ecology Project and instructed staff to finalize the donation policy before it would be considered. Additional feedback was given to staff at the Board meeting of August 5.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

N/A

FISCAL IMPACT

The fiscal impact will be dependent on the amount allocated for the program and the number of requests approved during the fiscal year period. Currently there is one written donation request of up to \$1,500 pending.

During the development of the 2021-22 budget \$5,000 was included as a placeholder for the anticipated donation policy. It is part of the larger \$61,200 public outreach budget line item which is available for newsletters, web promotions, ads, and other District approved outreach. The Board has the authority to allocate additional funding towards donations that serve a public purpose.

Donation Policy *[DRAFT]*

I. PURPOSE

This policy establishes a formal procedure for allocating funds to non-profit community groups requesting contributions from the District.

Donations must serve a public purpose. The gift of public funds, such as any expenditure which benefits an individual or small class of individuals only, with no benefit to all of the residents of the District is prohibited by the Constitution of the State of California, Article XVI, Section 6.

II. ELIGIBILITY

Funding contributions will be considered only for educational or non-profit groups with projects, programs and events that serve to benefit the public and meet the mission of the District to protect the public health and our environment, by providing effective wastewater collection, treatment, and recycling services.

Additional factors to be considered when determining whether to fund a contribution:

- When the educational or non-profit provides a service that complements or enhances one the District provides itself;
- When there is an identifiable secondary benefit to the District; or
- When the educational or non-profit provides a service the District could provide but chooses not to.

Eligible applicants must be hosted by a group that can show the donation benefits the residents of the District. Eligible groups include:

A. School Groups: Activities or educational programs offered by school groups that represent schools whose boundaries are partially or wholly within the District's limits.

B. Community and Non-profit Groups recognized as a legal entity organized and operated for a collective, public or social benefit: Events and programs hosted by a non-profit, or by a group sponsored by a non-profit.

Ineligible activities: ~~Fundraising, political~~Political, religious, fundraising for undefined activities, and ~~individual activities~~undesignated personal expenditures are not eligible for funding.

Reporting: Recipient of the donation must provide a written report to the District Board within 6 months of the event or program end-date. Late, partial, or non-submitted reports for past events will be considered by the District Board when considering donation requests.

Donation Policy *[DRAFT]*

III. PROCEDURE

The procedure for requesting and receiving a contribution is as follows:

- A. The District Board allocates funding for this program through the annual budget process which will set the annual maximum funding limit of the program.
- B. All applicants must submit a written request. Multiple requests may be submitted in a single fiscal year (July 1- June 30), so long as the total of such requests does not exceed the maximum funding cap. Non-profits, or groups partnered with a non-profit, must provide a Federal Tax ID number along with their current budget and latest financial statement.
- C. Requests that are consistent with the eligibility requirements will be brought to the District Board as the Board Schedule and Board Agenda permit. The Board shall make findings that establishes the benefit to the District and the community it serves.
- E. Requests are considered on a first-come-first-served basis.
- F. The District Board has established a contribution cap of \$12,500 to any single applicant in a fiscal year. However, upon review of the submitted application and supporting materials it is within the Board's discretion to allow a greater contribution amount per fiscal year, where the Board finds and determines that an applicant provides either 1) a service that complements or enhances any services provided by the District, or 2) the applicant provides a demonstrable secondary benefit to the District and the community it serves, or 3) the applicant provides a service the District could provide but chooses not to do so. Funding shall not exceed \$ 12,000 to any single applicant in a fiscal year. Travel related expenses and administrative support are not eligible. Requests exceeding this amount may be considered by the District Board on a case-by-case basis.
- ~~G. Funding for events can only be used to offset event expenses.~~

IV. MANAGEMENT OF THE PROGRAM

The General Manager shall oversee the program and has the authority to delegate management of the program to the Administrative Services Manager. Development of program materials, forms, and waivers required by the program are to be coordinated by staff of the District. Reporting requirements of the program are to be established by the General Manager. All financial reporting requirements and waivers required by the program will comply with applicable federal, state, and local laws.

Donation Policy *[DRAFT]*

District staff will perform a review of eligibility requirements for each application and perform preliminary inquiries as needed so that the District Board has enough details on the request to make an informed decision regarding the application.



Agenda Summary Report

To: Mike Prinz, General Manager
From: Teri Lerch, Board Secretary *TL*
 (415) 526-1510 terch@lqvsd.org
Meeting Date: September 2, 2021
Re: Board Guidelines Document
Item Type: Consent _____ Action X Information _____ Other _____
Standard Contract: Yes _____ No _____ (See attached) Not Applicable X

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the Board review and approve the attached Board Guidelines Document. Staff further recommends that Board members and staff use the Board Guidelines Document as a guide regarding procedural details, issues and public meeting practices.

BACKGROUND

The Board has regularly expressed interest in improving board meeting efficiency and shortening meeting durations, which are very likely to be realized through procedural enhancements that will flow from the attached Board Meeting Guidelines.

PREVIOUS BOARD ACTION

On January 29, 2021, the Board and staff participated in a workshop to formally acknowledge Board Meeting expectations and procedures in the future. Topics discussed included:

- Purpose and Function of Board Meetings
- Board Meeting Process
 - Development and approval of Agendas
 - Board Member Responsibilities
 - Interaction with the Public
 - Meeting Protocols Using Robert’s Rules of Order
- District Counsel Role
- General Manager Role
- Brown Act Compliance

Staff subsequently worked with the Board President to memorialize the January 29th workshop via the originally developed Board Norms Document.

On June 3, 2021, the Board and Staff reviewed the updated Board Norms Document. The Board made several suggestions to improve the document including changing the name and format.

The current draft was reviewed by the Board President who requested that it be brought to the full Board for approval.



ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

N/A

FISCAL IMPACT

N/A



LGVSD Board Meeting Guidelines

- 1. Board members are encouraged to review meeting packages prior to the Board Meeting.**
- 2. The Board President will manage the pace of Board meetings and ensure discussions pertain only to the agenda item at hand.**
- 3. The Board President will recognize and call on board members to speak.**
- 4. Items of interest that come up during discussion but that are not on the agenda may, upon formal request, be brought forward on a future agenda.**
- 5. Agenda items may be tabled or continued to a future meeting if meeting duration or need for additional information warrants doing so.**
- 6. Board members are encouraged to greet the general public in attendance at any given meeting without acknowledging individual attendees.**
- 7. The Board President may direct staff to provide brief information in response to public comments, however dialogue with members of the public during the public comment period is to be avoided.**
- 8. Board Members are encouraged to seek answers to questions about agenda items prior to Board meetings by contacting either the Staff Report Author or the General Manager.**
- 9. When possible, Board members will hold comments and questions until the end of any given presentation, whether delivered by staff or consultants, in order to avoid disrupting the presentation.**



Agenda Summary Report

To: Mike Prinz, General Manager *MJP*
From: Dale McDonald, Administrative Services Manager *DM*
 (415) 526-1519 dmcDonald@lgvsd.org
Meeting Date: September 2, 2021
Re: Appointment in Event of Vacancy
Item Type: Consent _____ Action _____ Information _____ Other X .
Standard Contract: Yes _____ No _____ (See attached) Not Applicable X .

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Board to review and discuss Policy B-90: Appointment in Event of Vacancy.

BACKGROUND

An inquiry was made regarding the process to fill vacancies on the District Board. Government Code Section 1780 and District Policy B-90 (attached) sets forth procedures to fill such a vacancy.

Board Members resigning must include the effective date of their resignation in their announcement.

Historically the Board has made appointments to fill vacancies rather than call for an election or turn the matter over to the Marin County Board of Supervisors to decide the course of action. The Board shall make the appointment within 60 days after either the date on which the district board is notified of the vacancy or the effective date of the vacancy, whichever is later.

The Board must announce the vacancy and call for applications by posting a public notice defining requirements, responsibilities, and the process for at least 15 days before the Board makes the appointment.

PREVIOUS BOARD ACTION

None

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

N/A

FISCAL IMPACT

None

B-90 APPOINTMENT IN EVENT OF VACANCY

Purpose

This policy determines when a Board vacancy occurs and sets forth procedures to fill the vacancy.

B-90-10 How a Vacancy Occurs. A vacancy on the Board is deemed to exist when a Board Member resigns, is impeached, dies or fails to discharge the duties of office for three consecutive months.

B-90-20 Applications. After a vacancy exists, the Board shall request applications from the public and announce a schedule for the application period after consultation with the Marin County Registrar of Voters. A date when applicants will be interviewed by the Board in open public session will be established.

B-90-30 Resumes. Applicants shall complete a District form and attach a resume and submit it to the Secretary of the Board within the specified application period.

B-90-40 Interviews. The order of the interviews by the Board shall be determined by draw.

B-90-50 Majority Vote. The appointment to fill the vacancy shall be by majority vote.

B-90-60 Election. If the vacancy is not filled by appointment, the Board shall call for an election within 60 days of the vacancy occurring.

B-90-70 Board of Supervisors. If the Board fails to fill the vacancy by appointment and fails to call an election within 60 days of the vacancy occurring, the District shall turn the matter over to the Marin County Board of Supervisors for a decision on an appointment or the calling of an election to fill the vacancy.

Resolution No. 2009-1872	Date Approved: July 9, 2009
President of the Board	Supersedes:

9/2/2021

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

CLARK

NBWA Board Committee, NBWA Conference Committee, 2021 Operations Control Center Ad Hoc Committee, 2021 Employee Climate Survey Ad Hoc Committee, Other Reports

ELIAS

NBWRA , Ad Hoc Engineering Sub-Committee re: STPURWE, 2021 GM Evaluation Ad Hoc Subcommittee, 2021 Operations Control Center Ad Hoc Committee, Other Reports

MURRAY

Marin LAFCO, CASA Energy Committee, 2021 GM Evaluation Ad Hoc Subcommittee, 2021 Legal Services Ad Hoc Committee, 2021 Employee Climate Survey Ad Hoc Committee, Marin Special Districts Association, Other Reports

SCHRIEBMAN

Gallinas Watershed Council/Miller Creek Watershed Council, JPA Local Task Force, NBWA Tech Advisory Committee, Other Reports

YEZMAN

Flood Zone 7, CSRMA, Ad Hoc Engineering Sub-Committee re: STPURWE, 2021 Legal Services Ad Hoc Committee, Other Reports



AGENDA

Air Quality, Climate Change, and Energy (ACE) Workgroup Meeting

Agenda Item 8.3
Date September 2, 2021

Meeting Date/Time: August 26, 2021 / 8:30 – 10:30 am
Meeting Location: Zoom Link (provided in the meeting appointment)
Dial-in: Zoom Call-In (provided in the meeting appointment)

COMMENCEMENT

ITEM	LEAD
Welcome/Roll Call	Jackie Zipkin (Chair), Greg Kester and Sarah Deslauriers (CASA)
Review/Approval of Agenda	All

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

	ITEM	LEAD	STATUS
1.	2021 State Legislative Bill Cycle	Jessica/Alma	Updated list of bills
2.	Governor’s Budget	Jessica	Budget update, to be finalized by September 10 th

PRIORITY ISSUES/ACTION ITEMS

	ITEM	LEAD	NOTES
1.	SB 1383: Organic Waste Methane Emissions Reductions	Greg	SB 1383 , impacts to POTWs, CalRecycle response to CASA/sector questions and Webinar Series
2.	AB 32 Scoping Plan Update 2022	Sarah	Workshop Series : Natural & Working Lands, Clean/Renewable Electricity, Vehicle Electrification, Environmental Justice
3.	CARB Advanced Clean Vehicle Regulations	Sarah, Greg David	Advanced Clean Truck Rule (2020) & Advanced Clean Fleet Rule (2021) , CARB Board Member outreach underway (issue summary)
4.	Biogas/Biomethane Management: EPA Renewable Fuel Standard RINs	Greg	Met with EPA staff to discuss approach for apportioning R3 vs R5 value for sludge-based vs food waste-based biogas
5.	CA Adaptation Update	Sarah	2021 IPCC Report , Coastal Commission Public Review Draft of Critical Infrastructure at Risk Sea Level Rise Guidance for CA’s Coastal Zone (comments due Sept 24), draft CA Adaptation Strategy update in Q3, CA 30x30 viewer and CNRA workshops , SWRCB climate change preparedness survey expected late 2021
6.	Criteria Pollutants & Toxics Emissions Reporting & AB 2588 Toxics Program	Sarah David	Summary of CTR and EICG , CARB Final Statement of Reasons , outline approach for statewide two-step process this fall

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

	ITEM	LEAD	NOTES
1.	BAAQMD Climate Pollutants Regulation	Sarah	Regulation 13 remains suspended, BACWA surveys collected
2.	Carbon Sequestration Meta-Analysis	Sarah	Invitation open to help w/ systematic review
3.	BioMAT & Integrated Resources Planning (IRP) proceedings	Julia	Markets for diverted organic waste and wastewater biogas
4.	CPUC SB 1440 Biogas Procurement Proceedings	Greg	Comments on Staff Proposal submitted June 30
5.	New BACT for Large Emergency Diesel Engines: BAAQMD, SMAQMD, SCAQMD	Sarah David	BAAQMD and SMAQMD process complete; SCAQMD kicked off public process

UPCOMING CONFERENCES/EVENTS

NAME	DATE/LOCATION
Clean Water Summit Partners PFAS Workshop #2	Sept 1, Virtual
WaterReuse California Annual Conference	Sept 19-21, Los Angeles
WEFTEC	Oct 16-20, Chicago
Water Utility Resilience Forum	Dec 13-15, Miami
CASA Winter Conference	Jan 19-21, TBD

NEXT MEETING: September 23rd, 8:30 to 10:30 am (webinar/conference call)



AGENDA

Air Quality, Climate Change, and Energy (ACE) Workgroup Meeting

Additional topics we review periodically for progress or changes:

State

- CARB Mandatory GHG Reporting Regulation
- CARB Scoping Plan Updates (Natural & Working Lands, Vehicle Electrification, Clean/Renewable Energy)
- CEQA Guidance on GHG Emissions
- CNRA Climate Change Assessment
- CNRA Online CA Sea Level Rise Database
- CNRA Safeguarding CA: Implementation Action Plans
- CEC Climate Change Research Plan
- OEHHA CalEnvironScreen Tool
- California's Climate Future report (by Governor Brown)
- Funding Opportunities

Regional Adaptation Collaboratives

- Bay Area Climate Adaptation Network (BayCAN)
- San Francisco Bay Regional Coastal Hazards Adaptation Resiliency Group (CHARG)
- Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) Regional Climate Adaptation Framework

National

- NEPA Guidance on GHG Emissions
- EPA Creating Resilient Water Utilities
- EPA EJScreen Tool
- EPA Mandatory GHG Reporting Regulation Updates
- EPA Clean Power Plan (on stay)
- EPA Existing Source Performance Standards
- EPA Biogenic Emissions Accounting Framework
- White House Budget for DOE Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy Programs
- White House Climate Change Support Office
- NACWA Energy Workgroup
- NACWA Climate & Resilience Workgroup
- Funding Opportunities

International

- Global GAP (Good Agricultural Practices) & Biosolids
- IWA Nitrous Oxide Modeling

Air Quality, Climate Change, & Energy (ACE) Workgroup Meeting

August 26, 2021 (8:30 – 10:30 am)

Zoom Link – See Meeting Appointment



1

Legislative Update



2

Assembly Bills – 2021

- AB 72 (Petrie-Norris D) Environmental protection: coastal adaptation projects: natural infrastructure: regulatory review and permitting: report
- AB 284 (Rivas, Robert D) Climate goal: natural and working lands
- AB 322 (Salas D) Energy: Electric Program Investment Charge program: biomass
- AB 585 (Rivas, Luz D) Extreme Heat and Community Resilience Program
- AB 843 (Aguiar-Curry D) Renewables Portfolio Standard Program: renewable feed-in tariff
- AB 897 (Mullin D) ORP: Regional climate networks: climate adaptation action plans
- AB 1086 (Aguiar-Curry D) Organic waste: Implementation strategy (includes “biosolids”)
- AB 1261 (Burke D) State Air Resources Board: greenhouse gas emissions: incentive programs

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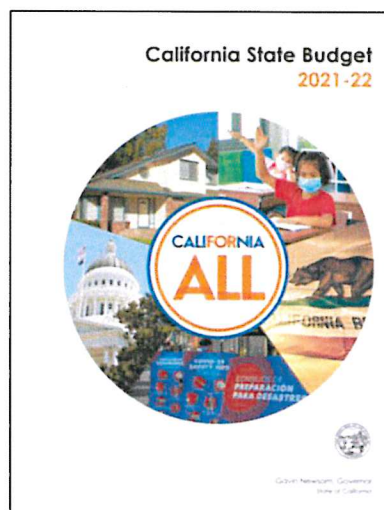
Senate Bills – 2021

- SB 1 (Atkins D) Coastal resources: sea level rise
- SB 18 (Skinner D) Green electrolytic hydrogen
- SB 27 (Skinner D) Carbon Sequestration: state goals: natural and working lands: registry
- SB 83 (Allen D) CA Infrastructure and Economic Development Bank: SLR Revolving Fund
- SB 372 (Leyva D) Medium- and heavy-duty fleet purchasing assistance program: ZEVs
- SB 418 (Laird D) Sea level rise planning: database
- SB 619 (Laird D) Organic waste: reduction regulations

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Governor’s Budget – to be final Sept 10th

- Resilience-related allocations within budget:
 - Emergency Response
 - Climate Change
 - Natural Resources
 - Environmental Protection
 - Transportation



Priority Issues/ Action Items



1. SB 1383: Organic Waste Methane Emissions Reduction



- 40% methane reduction by 2030
(relative to 2013 levels)
- Organic waste diversion from landfills
(includes biosolids, digestate, and sludges)
 - 50% by 2020 (relative to 2014 levels)
 - 75% by 2025 (relative to 2014 levels)
- Implementation
 - State to enforce on jurisdictions Jan 1, 2022
(local entities enter agreements)
 - Local jurisdictions to start enforcement Jan 1, 2024
 - Compliance by Jan 1, 2025



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1. SB 1383: Organic Waste Methane Emissions Reduction

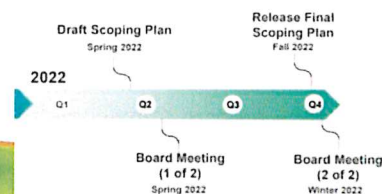
- Items to address...
 - Transfer of Emission Reduction Credits (offsets) from landfills to POTWs if combusting biogas onsite and compost facilities
 - Met with CalRecycle yesterday
 - Meeting with CAPCOA last week of October
 - Understanding procurement of products – whether they will consider other products (biosolids) and how procurement is applied to city and district facilities
 - Updates to General Order considered, but SWRCB understaffed
 - Designating facilities as landfills that are not determined to be diversion – determination process to get approved



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2. AB 32 Climate Change Scoping Plan Update 2022

- Scoping Plan Updates kicked off June 8th
- **Target: Carbon neutrality by 2045 (assess achieving it by 2035!)**
- Scoping Plan [Workshops](#) through Spring 2022 focus on:
 - Natural and Working Lands
 - Transportation Sector
 - Electricity Sector
 - Environmental Justice and Equity
- Last workshop Aug 17th – Scenario Concepts Workshop
- Next workshop Sept 8th – SLCP Workshop
- Draft to be released in Spring 2022, final draft in Fall 2022



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2. AB 32 Climate Change Scoping Plan Update 2022

- Scenario Concepts Workshop Aug 17th provided a summary of modeling efforts and who is performing them per EJAC request
 - Jessie Knapstein, E3 – California PATHWAYS
 - Michael MacKinnon, U.C. Irvine – Air Quality and Public Health Benefits
 - Emily Wimberger, Rhodium – Economic analysis and social cost of Carbon
- Looking at scenarios to achieve carbon neutrality in 2035 and 2045 via:
 - Transition from fossil fuels
 - Carbon free electricity
 - Vehicle electrification
 - Building decarbonization
 - SLCP (methane) reduction
 - Natural and working lands
 - Engineered carbon removal and capture
- Follow-on scenario workshop end of Sept to review outcomes
- Comments due Sept 3rd to influence scenarios

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3. CARB Advanced Clean Fleet Regulations

- Mandate: Zero-emission fleets by 2045 (Governor pushing for 2035)
- Draft regulatory language released yesterday (Aug 25th)
 - Draft Cost Discussion Document
 - High Priority and Federal Fleet Requirements
 - **Public Fleet Requirements**
 - 100% ZEV Sales Requirements
 - Drayage Truck Requirements
- Workshop Sept 9th for public comment
- CARB plans to release a second draft for review
- Intention to adopt regulation by summer 2022
- CASA developed key points/asks for CARB Board Member outreach
 - CARB had not included near-zero emission vehicles (NZEVs) as part of programs
 - NZEVs provide quicker path to NOx reduction to comply with federal CAA
- Next steps – prepare comment letter and deliver comments at workshop



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3. CARB Advanced Clean Fleet Regulations

- “Near-zero-emissions vehicle” or “NZEV” means a vehicle as defined in title 13, CCR section 1963(c)(16)...capable of operating like a ZEV for a minimum number of miles.
- General requirements...for a public agency:
 - (1)(A)...**not** solely in a designated low population county:
 1. Jan 1, 2024, 50% of new motor vehicle purchases must be ZEVs; and
 2. Jan 1, 2027, 100% of new motor vehicle purchases must be ZEVs.
 - (1)(B)...**solely** in a designated low population county:
 1. Jan 1, 2027, 100% of new motor vehicle purchases must be ZEVs.
 - (1)(C) Until Jan 1, 2035, NZEV purchases will be counted the same as a ZEV purchase if a public bid is issued to purchase ZEVs and NZEVs, but no responsive bids for ZEVs were received for that bid.



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3. CARB Advanced Clean Fleet Regulations

- Section 95693.2 Public Fleet Exemptions
 - (a) **Exemption for Emergency Response.** Public agencies can apply for an exemption from ZEV or NZEV purchase requirements if vehicles will...provide emergency response in supporting electricity, natural gas, **water, or wastewater services** across California... if the following conditions are met:
 - (1) >75% of that body type in the fleet are already ZEVs
 - (2) ...necessary publicly accessible charging or hydrogen fueling infrastructure or mobile fueling options are not readily available in areas to be served in emergency response
 - (3) The agency has obtained a letter from the governing body that lists the number of vehicles to be purchased for emergency response with details about vehicle type, and what areas are typically served, and a statement that explains why available ZEVs are not suitable to be dispatched to serve those areas in emergency response; and
 - (4) The agency must keep records of the letter signed by the governing body and make it available to CARB staff upon request.
 - The Executive Officer will grant the extension if the conditions of this section have been met, provided not >25% of the total vehicles in the fleet would be using extensions...



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4. Biogas/Biomethane Management: RINs

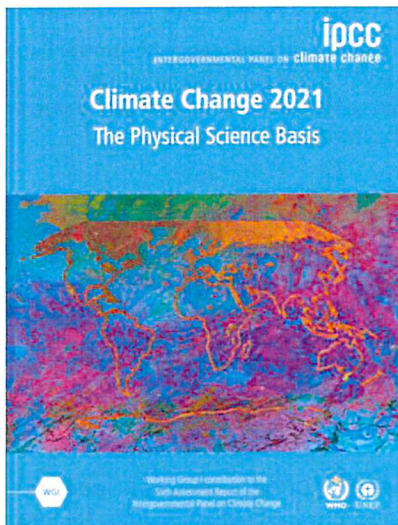
- EPA Renewable Fuel Standard RINs
 - Letter sent July 26th, met with EPA team July 27th
 - Discussed interpretation of RFS related to RIN values for sludge-based biogas (D3, cellulosic) vs food waste-based biogas (D5, advanced biomass fuel)
 - Current interpretation is all biogas from co-digestion will be valued at D5 (4-10 times less)
 - Discussed “plan b” – to allocate D3 and D5 per feedstock accordingly
- Next steps – EPA to consider value allocation and approach for determining it consistently
 - Connect their team with Office of Water and Technology to better understand 40 CFR Part 503 requirements (which support consistent biogas production)
 - Survey POTWs across US to collect scf per lb VS destroyed from sewage sludge and food waste



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5. CA Adaptation: IPCC 6th Assessment Report 2021

- Addresses physical understanding of climate system and climate change, bringing together latest advances in climate science, and combining multiple lines of evidence from paleoclimate, observations, process understanding, and global and regional climate simulations.

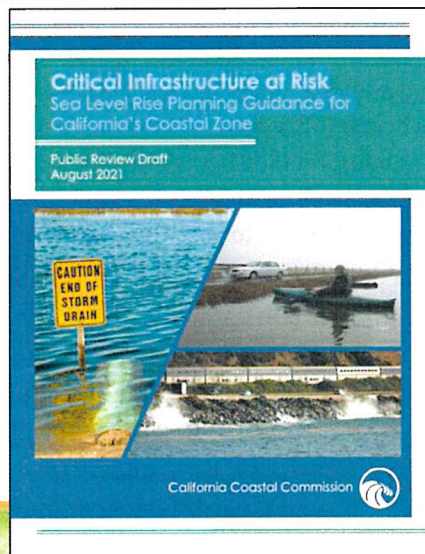


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5. CA Adaptation: Coastal Commission's *Critical Infrastructure at Risk: Sea Level Rise Planning Guidance for CA's Coastal Zone*

- Released August 16th
- Critical infrastructure includes roads, bridges, ports, airports, and railways; water, wastewater, drainage, and sewers; schools, jails, hospitals, and health care facilities; government facilities and commercial buildings; power plants; terrestrial, satellite, and wireless transmission systems; telecommunications; and data information systems.
- Comments due September 24th



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5. CA Adaptation: Natural Resources Agency efforts

- CA Adaptation Strategy (4th update)
 - Draft strategy update to be released Q3 of 2021 with goal to final by end 2021

- California 30x30 Viewer: Conservation Planning for 2030



- [Topical Workshops](#) and Advisory Panels on Advancing 30x30 and Climate Smart Lands

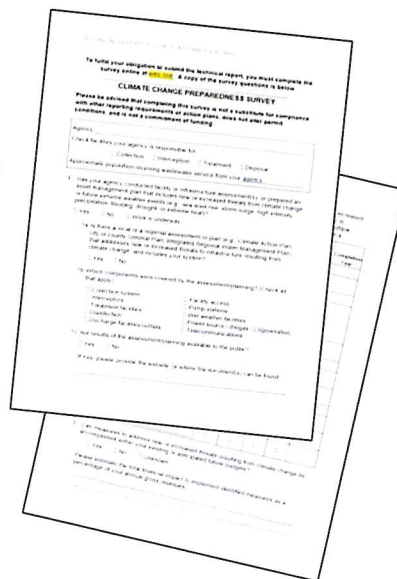
- July 27th – Advancing 30/30 and Protecting Biodiversity
- August 10th – Advancing 30x30: Conservation of Lands
- August 17th – Advancing 30x30: Conservation of Coastal Waters

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5. CA Adaptation: SWRCB Climate Change Preparedness Survey

- State Water Board to:
 - Send NPDES and WDR permit holders to be surveyed in late 2021
 - 45-day response
 - Webinar after formal distribution
 - Communicate through Chris Hyun
 - Follow development of SWRCB priority areas:
 - Drinking water
 - Wastewater/co-digestion
 - Sea level rise
 - Harmful algal blooms



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6. Criteria Pollutants & Toxics Reporting and Air Toxics “Hot Spots” Program Updates

- AB 617 gives CARB authority to “harmonize” air monitoring, reporting, & emission reductions from stationary sources
- AB 2588 Hot Spots compound list is >1000 compounds (from >500)
 - Many of the compounds have unknown toxicity levels
 - Many of the compounds have unknown emission factors
 - Many of the compounds are not relevant to WWTPs
- CASA worked closely with CARB to negotiate phased compliance, allowing WWTPs to:
 - Report business as usual through 2028 (begin reporting in 2029 for 2028 data)
 - Perform a “two-step process” for determining a shortlist of compounds
 - Scanning air space of unit processes to determine detectable compounds
 - Determining the sampling and analysis methods to quantify emissions (Mimic 1990 Pooled Emissions Estimation Program, PEEP)



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6. How can WWTPs comply with the updated CTR and Air Toxics “Hot Spots” Programs?

- Final Statement of Reasons (FSOR) released August 12th
 - Business-as-usual annual emissions reporting to continue through 2028 for waste sector, even if other sources, such as backup diesel generators are on site (...or until new/updated emission factors are established through source testing or other studies). (see B-9.10)
 - Emissions quantification methods and associated data collected under the EICG *two-step process* will be used to meet CTR reporting requirements for the waste sector. (see B-9.10)
 - Additionally, reporting for portable equipment is required for facilities subject to GHG or Criteria facility applicability criteria ([CTR Sections 93401\(a\)\(1-2\)](#)). Portable equipment used onsite by third party contractors must be reported.



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6. Next steps for the Wastewater Sector...

- CASA One-Page Summary holds true (per FSOR)
- CASA to begin drafting proposal for performing the Two-Step Process with members

Understanding New Requirements for Air Toxics Reporting

California air districts are beginning to amend recent amendments to the California Air Resources Board's (CARB) Air Toxics "Two-Step" Reporting and Emission Inventory (Emission Inventory (EI)) and the Reporting of Greenhouse Gases and Trace Air Contaminants Regulation (TRAC). This fact sheet is to inform your organization of these regulatory updates. Note: This applies to the wastewater sector, and for your reference in discussions with air districts.

REGULATORY UPDATES: As part of improving air toxics emissions reporting, the public's access to the data and reduction strategies for priority communities, the updates to the EIC and TRAC:

- Expand the number of compounds to be included for monitoring and reporting from a total of 1106 to over 2,000 for permitted water facilities, including wastewater treatment plants (WWTs).
- Establish criteria for an monitoring AND an approach for the waste sector (i.e., the "Two-Step" process) to identify a short list of toxic metals (TRM).
- Identify strategies/treatment for emissions reductions (prioritizing overburdened communities).

Since most of the 2,000+ compounds do not have approved sampling or laboratory methods and have not been analyzed by the Office of Environmental Health Assessment, health risk associated with these compounds cannot be quantified in turn, any preliminary reported information will yield erroneous emission estimates, causing confusion and potentially unwarranted action for our neighbors.

WASTEWATER SECTOR IMPACTS & RESPONSE: CASA approved a phased compliance approach that allows permitted WWTs to report toxics as usual through 2024 with the sector identifies the two-step process to:

1. Perform a set of air samples across various treatment plant and groups to determine emission compounds of the 2,000+ compounds.
2. Quantify the emissions of identified toxic compounds based on an approved sampling and analysis approach working with air districts and CARB.

The two-step process will take approximately two (2) years and about \$10 million for the wastewater sector to complete. In the meantime, the wastewater sector is able to quantify air toxics compounds until the completion of the wastewater two-step process and must rely upon the results of the two-step process as the "best available data and methods" in other areas, where no tests need to be reported until 2024.

This summer CASA will work with the membership to establish an oversight and cost recovery structure for the two-step process. The effort, about 20 WWTs will need to sample existing and new processes in accordance with approved protocols. A sample schedule of the two-step process is provided below.

For more information or if you have questions, please contact Sam Dinkovskas at sdinkovsk@casaonline.org or David Romberg at dromberg@casaonline.org. Updates are provided as part of CASA's Air Quality, Climate Change, & Energy Workgroup monthly meetings and an Air Toxics Subgroup has been established that meets as needed.

*Sampling and reporting protocols will be developed in collaboration with and approved by local air districts and CARB. CASA will lead the coordination and development of the protocols.

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Informational Items

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1. BAAQMD Climate Pollutants Regulation 13

Rule development suspended due to COVID & lack of data

- More data needed before drafting regulations or specifying standard permit conditions
- July – BACWA surveyed POTWs regarding BMPs to control methane from:
 - Anaerobic digesters and ancillary equipment
 - Other treatment processes (i.e., lagoons)
- August – Responses being summarized and reviewed by BACWA
- September – BACWA to share summary and meet with BAAQMD

Responses from 63% of POTWs within Bay Area AQMD, representing 92% of the total flow.

THANK YOU!



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2. Carbon Sequestration Meta-Analysis

Systematic Reviews & Data Extraction

- Virginia Tech to quantify C-sequestration potential from land-applied biosolids from existing research/data
- Systematic review of published and unpublished data
- Data (with consent of authors) to be added to open-access repository
- Promote biosolids research, identification of gaps, and inform and harmonize future collection methods

Can You or Someone You Know Help?

- Help with full-text review
 - Materials and Methods section
 - Checking for soil organic carbon/matter data
- If you or someone you know would like to help, **please reach out to Mike Badzmierowski, Greg Evanylo, and Lee Daniels!**
- OR if you have non-published data showing changes in soil organic carbon/matter concentrations and stocks, consider sharing



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3. BioMAT & Integrated Resources Planning

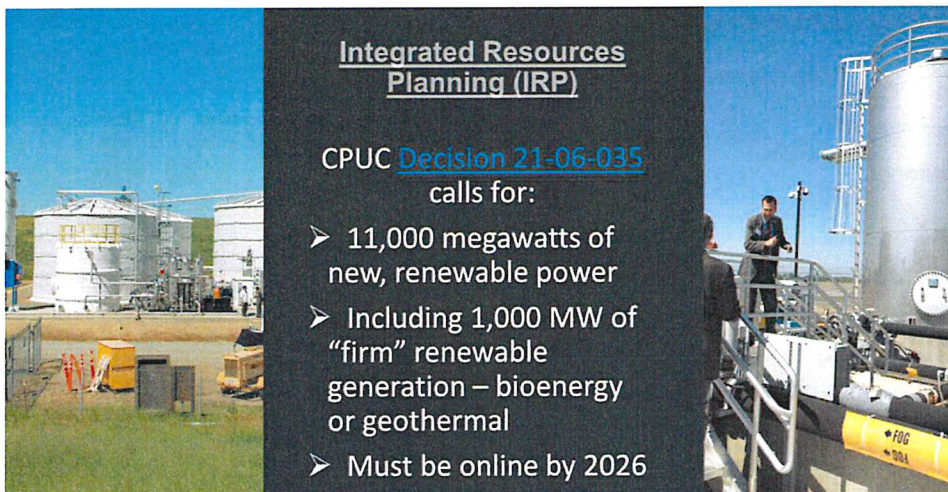


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BioMAT Program

- Created by SB 1122 (Rubio, 2012)
- Requires 250 megawatts from new, small-scale bioenergy projects
 - Including 110 MW from diverted organic waste, wastewater biogas, co-digestion, and food processing
 - Projects can be up to 3 MW export + up to 2 MW for onsite use
 - Current price offered for Category 1 = \$127.70 per MWh
 - If 5 projects enter BioMAT queue, price will go up
- CPUC has extended the program through the end of 2025

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Integrated Resources Planning (IRP)

CPUC [Decision 21-06-035](#) calls for:

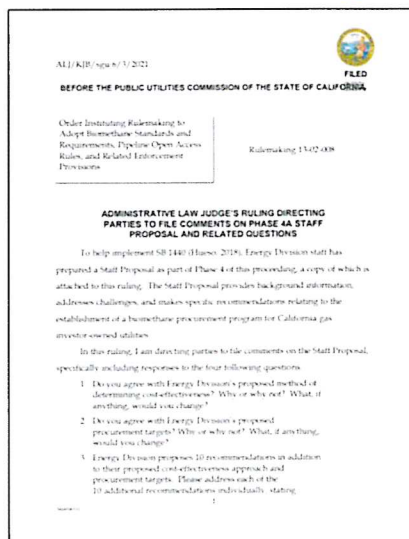
- 11,000 megawatts of new, renewable power
- Including 1,000 MW of “firm” renewable generation – bioenergy or geothermal
- Must be online by 2026

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4. CPUC SB 1440 Biogas Procurement Proceedings

- CASA is a party to the proceedings
- Staff Proposal released June 3rd
 - Consult with CARB to develop staff report
 - Determine if biomethane procurement targets or goals can be adopted in a cost-effective manner while complying with state and federal law
 - Consider 14 specific issues to ensure compliance with CA Public Utilities (PU) Code Section 651(b)
- Recommendation: Approve mandatory biomethane procurement program for CA’s four large gas IOUs
- Comments submitted June 30th



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5. New BACT for Large Emergency Diesel Engines $\geq 1,000$ bhp – Tier 4 Engines

- **CASA responding to Air Districts**
 - Bay Area AQMD – comments submitted by BACWA 2/23
 - Sacramento Metro AQMD – comments submitted by CASA 4/30
 - South Coast AQMD – public process began

- **CARB and local air districts are exploring electrified back-up engines**

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Upcoming Conferences/Events

- **Clean Water Summit Partners PFAS Workshop #2**
September 1st, Virtual

- **WaterReuse California Annual Conference**
September 19th – 21st, Los Angeles

- **WEFTEC**
October 16th – 20th, Chicago

- **Water Utility Resilience Forum**
December 13th – 15th, Miami

- **CASA Winter Conference**
January 19th – 21st, TBD

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Upcoming Meeting

September 23rd



Thank you!



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CASA ACE Committee Bill Tracker 8/24/2021

AB 72

(Petrie-Norris D) Environmental protection: coastal adaptation projects: natural infrastructure: regulatory review and permitting: report.

Current Text: Amended: 6/28/2021 [html](#) [pdf](#)

Introduced: 12/7/2020

Last Amend: 6/28/2021

Status: 8/16/2021-In committee: Referred to suspense file.

Location: 8/16/2021-S. APPR. SUSPENSE FILE

Calendar: 8/26/2021 Upon adjournment of Session - John L. Burton Hearing Room (4203)
SENATE APPROPRIATIONS SUSPENSE, PORTANTINO, Chair

Summary: Would enact the Coastal Adaptation Permitting Act of 2021. The bill would require the Natural Resources Agency to explore, and authorize it to implement, options within the agency's jurisdiction to establish a more coordinated and efficient regulatory review and permitting process for coastal adaptation projects that use natural infrastructure, as defined. The bill would require the agency to submit, by July 1, 2023, a report to the Legislature with suggestions and recommendations for improving and expediting the coordination between appropriate agencies in their regulatory review and permitting process for coastal adaptation projects that use natural infrastructure.

Position

Refer to ACE
Committee

Assigned

CASA ACE Cmte,
Jessica

AB 284

(Rivas, Robert D) California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006: climate goal: natural and working lands.

Current Text: Amended: 7/14/2021 [html](#) [pdf](#)

Introduced: 1/21/2021

Last Amend: 7/14/2021

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Calendar: 8/26/2021 Upon adjournment of Session - John L. Burton Hearing Room (4203)
SENATE APPROPRIATIONS SUSPENSE, PORTANTINO, Chair

Summary: Would require the State Air Resources Board, as part of the next scoping plan update, in collaboration with the Natural Resources Agency and other relevant state agencies and departments and no later than January 1, 2023, to identify a 2045 climate goal, with interim milestones, for the state's natural and working lands, as defined, and to integrate into the scoping plan update recommendations developed by the Natural Resources Agency and the Department of Food and Agriculture regarding practices, policy and financial incentives, market needs, and potential reductions in barriers that would help achieve the 2045 climate goal, among other recommendations. The bill would require the state board, in collaboration with the Natural Resources Agency and other relevant state agencies and departments, to include this information in each subsequent update to the scoping plan and update that information, as appropriate.

Position

Refer to ACE
Committee

Assigned

CASA ACE Cmte,
Jessica

AB 322

(Salas D) Energy: Electric Program Investment Charge program: biomass.

Current Text: Amended: 8/18/2021 [html](#) [pdf](#)

Introduced: 1/26/2021

Last Amend: 8/18/2021

Status: 8/19/2021-Read second time. Ordered to third reading.

Location: 8/19/2021-S. THIRD READING

Calendar: 8/26/2021 #165 SENATE ASSEMBLY BILLS - THIRD READING FILE

Summary: Current law creates in the State Treasury the Electric Program Investment Charge Fund to be administered by the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission and requires the PUC to forward to the Energy Commission, at least quarterly, moneys for those EPIC programs the PUC has determined should be administered by the Energy Commission for deposit in the fund. Current law requires the Energy Commission, in administering moneys in the fund for research, development, and demonstration programs, to develop and implement the EPIC program for the purpose of awarding funds to projects that may lead to technological advancement and breakthroughs to overcome barriers that prevent the achievement of the state's statutory energy goals and that may result in a portfolio of projects that are strategically focused and sufficiently narrow to make advancement on the most significant technological challenges. Current law, until January 1, 2023, requires the Energy Commission to expend certain percentages of the moneys appropriated from the fund for technology demonstration and deployment at sites that benefit certain communities.

This bill would require the Energy Commission to consider, in the investment planning process for the EPIC program, funding for eligible biomass conversion to energy projects, as specified.

Position
Support

Assigned
CASA ACE Cmte,
Jessica

AB 585

(Rivas, Luz D) Climate change: Extreme Heat and Community Resilience Program.

Current Text: Amended: 7/13/2021 [html](#) [pdf](#)

Introduced: 2/11/2021

Last Amend: 7/13/2021

Status: 8/16/2021-In committee: Referred to suspense file.

Location: 8/16/2021-S. APPR. SUSPENSE FILE

Calendar: 8/26/2021 Upon adjournment of Session - John L. Burton Hearing Room (4203)
SENATE APPROPRIATIONS SUSPENSE, PORTANTINO, Chair

Summary: Would establish the Extreme Heat and Community Resilience Program for the purpose of coordinating state efforts and supporting local and regional efforts to mitigate the impacts of, and reduce the public health risks of, extreme heat and the urban heat island effect, and would require the Office of Planning and Research to administer the program through the Integrated Climate Adaptation and Resiliency Program.

Position
Refer to ACE
Committee

Assigned
CASA ACE Cmte

AB 843

(Aguiar-Curry D) California Renewables Portfolio Standard Program: renewable feed-in tariff: Bioenergy Market Adjusting Tariff program: community choice aggregators.

Current Text: Amended: 7/5/2021 [html](#) [pdf](#)

Introduced: 2/17/2021

Last Amend: 7/5/2021

Status: 8/16/2021-In committee: Referred to suspense file.

Location: 8/16/2021-S. APPR. SUSPENSE FILE

Calendar: 8/26/2021 Upon adjournment of Session - John L. Burton Hearing Room (4203)
SENATE APPROPRIATIONS SUSPENSE, PORTANTINO, Chair

Summary: The California Renewables Portfolio Standard Program requires the Public Utilities Commission to establish a renewables portfolio standard requiring all retail sellers, defined as including electrical corporations, community choice aggregators, and electric service providers, to procure a minimum quantity of electricity products from eligible renewable energy resources, as defined, so that the total kilowatthours of those products sold to their retail end-use customers achieves 33% of retail sales by December 31, 2020, 44% by December 31, 2024, 52% by December 31, 2027, and 60% by December 31, 2030. The California Renewables Portfolio Standard Program requires every electrical corporation to file with the commission a standard tariff for electricity generated by an electric generation facility, as defined, that qualifies for the tariff, is owned and operated by a retail customer of the electrical corporation, and is located within the service territory of, and developed to sell electricity to, the electrical corporation. The commission refers to this requirement as the renewable feed-in tariff. This bill would provide that the renewable feed-in tariff would apply to a qualifying electric generation facility that is developed to sell electricity to the electrical corporation or, for a bioenergy electric generation facility, to an electrical corporation or a community choice aggregator within the electrical corporation's service territory.

Position
Support

Assigned
CASA ACE Cmte,
Jessica

AB 897

(Mullin D) Office of Planning and Research: regional climate networks: regional climate adaptation and resilience action plans.

Current Text: Amended: 7/14/2021 [html](#) [pdf](#)

Introduced: 2/17/2021

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Calendar: 8/26/2021 Upon adjournment of Session - John L. Burton Hearing Room (4203)
SENATE APPROPRIATIONS SUSPENSE, PORTANTINO, Chair

Summary: Current law requires, by July 1, 2017, and every 3 years thereafter, the Natural Resources Agency to update, as prescribed, the state's climate adaptation strategy, known as the Safeguarding California Plan. Current law establishes the Office of Planning and Research in state government in the Governor's office. Current law establishes the Integrated Climate Adaptation and Resiliency Program to be administered by the office to coordinate regional and local efforts with state climate adaptation strategies to adapt to the impacts of climate change, as prescribed. This bill would authorize eligible

entities, as defined, to establish and participate in a regional climate network, as defined. The bill would require the office, through the program, to encourage the inclusion of eligible entities with land use planning and hazard mitigation planning authority into regional climate networks. The bill would authorize a regional climate network to engage in activities to address climate change, as specified.

Position	Assigned
Refer to ACE Committee	CASA ACE Cmte

AB 1086 (Aquiar-Curry D) Organic waste: implementation strategy: report.

Current Text: Amended: 7/7/2021 [html](#) [pdf](#)

Introduced: 2/18/2021

Last Amend: 7/7/2021

Status: 8/16/2021-In committee: Referred to suspense file.

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Calendar: 8/26/2021 Upon adjournment of Session - John L. Burton Hearing Room (4203)
SENATE APPROPRIATIONS SUSPENSE, PORTANTINO, Chair

Summary: Would request that the California Council on Science and Technology, in consultation with its academic and research partners and specified state agencies, undertake and, within 12 months of entering into a contract, complete a report that provides an implementation strategy to achieve the state's organic waste, and related climate change and air quality, mandates, goals, and targets. If the council agrees to undertake and complete the report, the bill would require the council to provide the report to the relevant state agencies after peer review in order for one or more of the relevant state agencies to conduct at least one public meeting and publish the draft implementation strategy on its internet website. The bill would also require the council, if it agrees to undertake and complete the report, to submit the report to the Legislature. The bill would require the implementation strategy to include, among other things, recommendations on policy and funding support for the beneficial reuse of organic waste.

Position	Assigned
Refer to ACE Committee	CASA ACE Cmte, Jessica

AB 1261 (Burke D) State Air Resources Board: greenhouse gas emissions: incentive programs.

Current Text: Amended: 5/24/2021 [html](#) [pdf](#)

Introduced: 2/19/2021

Last Amend: 5/24/2021

Status: 7/5/2021-In committee: Referred to suspense file.

Location: 7/5/2021-S. APPR. SUSPENSE FILE

Calendar: 8/26/2021 Upon adjournment of Session - John L. Burton Hearing Room (4203)
SENATE APPROPRIATIONS SUSPENSE, PORTANTINO, Chair

Summary: Would require the State Air Resources Board, to establish specified processes to assist the state in achieving its greenhouse gas emissions reduction goals, including a process to identify any overlap among its incentive programs, as defined, that share the same objectives and a process to define, collect, and evaluate data on the behavioral changes that result from each of its incentive programs. The bill would require the state board to use the information collected pursuant to these processes to refine the greenhouse gas emissions estimates for each of its incentive programs in its annual reports to the Legislature, its funding plans, and any long-term planning documents or reports. The bill would require the state board to develop a process to define, collect, and evaluate data that will translate to metrics demonstrating the socioeconomic benefits that result from each of its incentive programs, and to use this data to make funding and design recommendations in its annual reports to the Legislature and funding plans, as provided.

Position	Assigned
Refer to ACE Committee	CASA ACE Cmte

SB 1 (Atkins D) Coastal resources: sea level rise.

Current Text: Amended: 6/24/2021 [html](#) [pdf](#)

Introduced: 12/7/2020

Last Amend: 6/24/2021

Status: 7/14/2021-July 14 set for first hearing. Placed on suspense file.

Location: 7/14/2021-A. APPR. SUSPENSE FILE

Calendar: 8/26/2021 Upon adjournment of Session - State Capitol, Room 4202
ASSEMBLY APPROPRIATIONS SUSPENSE, GONZALEZ, LORENA, Chair

Summary: The California Coastal Act of 1976 establishes the California Coastal Commission and provides for planning and regulation of development in the coastal zone, as defined. The act requires the commission, within 90 days after January 1, 1977, to adopt, after public hearing, procedures for the preparation, submission, approval, appeal, certification, and amendment of a local coastal

program, including a common methodology for the preparation of, and the determination of the scope of, the local coastal programs, as provided. This bill would also include, as part of the procedures the commission is required to adopt, recommendations and guidelines for the identification, assessment, minimization, and mitigation of sea level rise within each local coastal program, as provided. The bill would delete the timeframe specified above by which the commission is required to adopt these procedures.

Position	Assigned
Refer to ACE Committee	CASA ACE Cmte, Jessica

SB 18 **(Skinner D) Hydrogen: green hydrogen: emissions of greenhouse gases.**

Current Text: Amended: 6/30/2021 [html](#) [pdf](#)

Introduced: 12/7/2020

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ASSEMBLY APPROPRIATIONS SUSPENSE, GONZALEZ, LORENA, Chair

Summary: Would require the State Air Resources Board, by December 31, 2022, as a part of the scoping plan and the state's goal for carbon neutrality, to identify the role of hydrogen, and particularly green hydrogen, in helping California achieve the goals of the act and the state's other climate goals. The bill would require the state board, in consultation with the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission (Energy Commission) and Public Utilities Commission (PUC), to prepare an evaluation posted to the state board's internet website by June 1, 2023, that includes specified information relative to the deployment, development, and use of hydrogen. The bill would require the state board, in making these evaluations, to consult with the California Workforce Development Board and labor and workforce organizations.

Position	Assigned
Refer to ACE Committee	CASA ACE Cmte, Jessica

SB 27 **(Skinner D) Carbon sequestration: state goals: natural and working lands: registry of projects.**

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ASSEMBLY APPROPRIATIONS SUSPENSE, GONZALEZ, LORENA, Chair

Summary: Would require, no later than July 1, 2023, the Natural Resources Agency, in coordination with the California Environmental Protection Agency, the state board, the Department of Food and Agriculture, and other relevant state agencies, to establish the Natural and Working Lands Climate Smart Strategy that serves as a framework to increase adoption of natural and working lands-based carbon sequestration and that advances the state's climate goals. The bill would require the state board, as part of its scoping plan, to establish specified carbon dioxide removal targets for 2030 and beyond.

Position	Assigned
Refer to ACE Committee	CASA ACE Cmte, Jessica

SB 83 **(Allen D) Sea Level Rise Revolving Loan Program.**

Current Text: Amended: 6/29/2021 [html](#) [pdf](#)

Introduced: 12/15/2020

Last Amend: 6/29/2021

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Calendar: 8/26/2021 Upon adjournment of Session - State Capitol, Room 4202
ASSEMBLY APPROPRIATIONS SUSPENSE, GONZALEZ, LORENA, Chair

Summary: Current law establishes in state government the Ocean Protection Council. Current law requires the council to, among other things, establish policies to coordinate the collection, evaluation, and sharing of scientific data related to coastal and ocean resources among agencies. Current law establishes the State Coastal Conservancy with prescribed powers and responsibilities for implementing and administering various programs intended to preserve, protect, and restore the state's coastal areas. This bill would require the council, in consultation with the conservancy, to develop the Sea Level Rise Revolving Loan Program for purposes of providing low-interest loans to local jurisdictions for the purchase of coastal properties in their jurisdictions identified as vulnerable

coastal property, as provided.

Position
Refer to ACE
Committee

Assigned
CASA ACE Cmte,
Jessica

SB 372

(Leyva D) Medium- and heavy-duty fleet purchasing assistance program: zero-emission vehicles.

Current Text: Amended: 7/12/2021 [html](#) [pdf](#)

Introduced: 2/10/2021

Last Amend: 7/12/2021

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ASSEMBLY APPROPRIATIONS SUSPENSE, GONZALEZ, LORENA, Chair

Summary: Current law establishes the Air Quality Improvement Program that is administered by the State Air Resources Board for purposes of funding projects related to, among other things, the reduction of criteria air pollutants and improvement of air quality. Pursuant to its existing statutory authority, the state board has established the Clean Vehicle Rebate Project, as a part of the Air Quality Improvement Program, to promote the use of zero-emission vehicles by providing rebates for the purchase of new zero-emission vehicles. Current law, the California Pollution Control Financing Authority Act, establishes the California Pollution Control Financing Authority, with specified powers and duties, and authorizes the authority to approve financing for projects or pollution control facilities to prevent or reduce environmental pollution. This bill would establish the Medium- and Heavy-Duty Zero-Emission Vehicle Fleet Purchasing Assistance Program within the Air Quality Improvement Program to make financing tools and nonfinancial supports available to operators of medium- and heavy-duty vehicle fleets to enable those operators to transition their fleets to zero-emission vehicles.

Position
Refer to ACE
Committee

Assigned
CASA ACE Cmte,
Jessica

SB 418

(Laird D) Sea level rise planning: database.

Current Text: Amended: 3/17/2021 [html](#) [pdf](#)

Introduced: 2/12/2021

Last Amend: 3/17/2021

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ASSEMBLY APPROPRIATIONS SUSPENSE, GONZALEZ, LORENA, Chair

Summary: Current law requires the Natural Resources Agency, in collaboration with the Ocean Protection Council, to create, update biannually, and post on an internet website a Planning for Sea Level Rise Database describing steps being taken throughout the state to prepare for, and adapt to, sea level rise. Current law further requires that various public agencies and private entities provide to the agency, on a biannual basis, sea level rise planning information, as defined, that is under the control or jurisdiction of the public agencies or private entities, and requires the agency to determine the information necessary for inclusion in the database, as prescribed. Current law repeals these provisions on January 1, 2023. This bill would extend the sunset date for the above provisions until January 1, 2028.

Position
Refer to ACE
Committee

Assigned
Alma, CASA ACE
Cmte

SB 619

(Laird D) Organic waste: reduction regulations.

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Introduced: 2/18/2021

Last Amend: 4/13/2021

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ASSEMBLY APPROPRIATIONS SUSPENSE, GONZALEZ, LORENA, Chair

Summary: Current law requires the Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery, in consultation with the state board, to adopt regulations to achieve those targets for reducing organic waste in landfills, and authorizes those regulations to require local jurisdictions to impose requirements on generators or other relevant entities within their jurisdiction, to authorize local jurisdictions to impose penalties on generators for noncompliance, and to include penalties to be imposed by the department for noncompliance. Current law provides that those regulations shall take effect on or after January 1, 2022, except that the imposition of penalties by local jurisdictions pursuant to the regulations shall not take effect until 2 years after the effective date of the regulations. This bill, until January 1, 2023,

would require the department to only impose a penalty on a local jurisdiction, and would require a penalty to only accrue, for a violation of the regulations if the local jurisdiction did not make a reasonable effort, as determined by the department, to comply with the regulations.

Position

Support

Assigned

Alma, CASA ACE

Cmte, Jessica

Total Measures: 15

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BOARD MEMBER MEETING ATTENDANCE REQUEST

Date: _____ Name: _____

I would like to attend the _____ Meeting
of _____

To be held on the _____ day of _____ from _____ a.m. / p.m. to
_____ day of _____ from _____ a.m. / p.m.

Location of meeting: _____

Actual meeting date(s): _____

Meeting Type: (In person/Webinar/Conference) _____

Purpose of Meeting: _____

Meeting relevance to District: _____

Request assistance from Board Secretary to register for Conference: YES NO

Frequency of Meeting: _____

Estimated Costs of Travel (if applicable): _____

Date submitted to Board Secretary: _____

Board approval obtained on Date: _____

Please submit this form to the Board Secretary no later than 1 week prior to the Board Meeting.

9/2/2021

BOARD AGENDA ITEM REQUESTS

Agenda Item 9B

- Separate Item to be distributed at Board Meeting
- Separate Item to be distributed prior to Board Meeting
- Verbal Report
- Presentation

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As COVID Limits Access To Chlorine, Water Systems Ask EPA For Help



By [Peter Chawaga](#)

For the first time since the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) established an avenue for water systems to request help with supply chain issues in 1974, they are using it to ask the federal government for chlorine-based treatment chemicals.

“Local water officials say they fear chlorine suppliers are prioritizing deliveries to swimming pools instead of local water utilities,” [Bloomberg Law reported](#). “Water systems in California, Utah, New Mexico and New York turned to the [U.S.] EPA under Section 1441 [of the SDWA], which authorizes the Commerce Department to order supplies to provide chemicals to water systems in need.”



The chlorine shortage has likely been caused by ramifications of the COVID-19 pandemic, as well as a happenstance disaster at a major supplier’s facility.

“As the pandemic forced families to stay at home, swimming pool demand surged while chlorine production sank,” [Business Insider reported](#). “The supply of chlorine is still being limited by a Louisiana chlorine plant that caught fire last summer, cutting off a large percentage of the nation’s chlorine tablet supply... The Chlorine Institute said reports suggest the Louisiana plant will be out of order until 2022.”

Chlorine-based treatment chemicals are used by water systems across the country to disinfect water and wastewater, and a lack of supply would force them to cease services completely. A water system in Oceanside, CA, for instance, requested help through the SDWA provision as it had only five days’ worth of chlorine supply in reserve.

“That is not a good place to be because, if you miss another load, we’re talking about drinking water supply for 170,000 people,” the division manager of Oceanside’s water utilities department told [Bloomberg Law](#). “That’s a lot of people to not have drinking water.”

In addition to requesting supply chain help from the EPA, some water systems have found alternative suppliers that can fulfill their orders, though this can add a lot of work to the water systems and those other suppliers may charge more. But if nothing else, using the SDWA provision to seek chlorine supply is an indicator of where the supply chain priorities should be.

“Poway, Calif., turned to the EPA after a delay in its chemical deliveries ‘to send a signal that water needed to be prioritized,’ city spokeswoman Rene Carmichael said,” per [Bloomberg Law](#). “Chlorine needs to go to people who make safe drinking water,’ she said.”

To read more about how water systems use chlorine, visit [Water Online’s Disinfection Solutions Center](#).

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COVID rules for police, fire crews

MARIN HEALTH ORDER

Vaccinations or weekly tests required for first responders

By Adrian Rodriguez

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Marin's police, firefighters and ambulance medics will soon be subject to COVID-19 vaccination requirements.

Dr. Matt Willis, Marin County's public health officer, announced Friday that first responders must provide proof of vaccination or submit to weekly testing. Sonoma, Contra Costa, Santa Clara and San Francisco counties have established similar mandates.

The new order, which takes effect Sept. 15, is the same given to Marin County school employees earlier this month, Willis said. It also extends to all public sector employees, meaning city and any local government staff. The difference though, is that unvaccinated municipal workers will not be required to test weekly, unless ordered to by their employers, Willis said.

Additionally, he said, the order fills a gap

state's blueprint system."

Moreover, he said, 18 coronavirus patients were hospitalized in Marin on Friday, most of them unvaccinated, Willis said.

"The delta variant is extremely good at finding unvaccinated people," he said.

Willis said the county has seen that outbreaks in highrisk settings, when they occur, are often sparked by infected staffers or visitors who unknowingly bring the virus into the site. By having more first responders vaccinated, it will protect them and the people they serve, Willis said.

John Bagala, president of the Marin Professional Firefighters union, said he is talking to the California State Firefighters' Association as well as Marin's fire chiefs about the impacts of the order.

in the state mandate for health care professionals because it covers private ambulance crews.

The order comes only days after Willis said the county is in no hurry to target Marin's first responders for inoculation mandates.

"The reality is that we're seeing right now our transmission rates are really high at 17 cases per 100,000 (per day)," Willis said.

"That's actually one of the lower case rates in the country, which says something about how active this virus is," Willis said. "We would actually be in the 'purple' tier if we were still using the

masks and undergo surveillance testing and other protective measures.

"Not only do I think it's reasonable, from a legal standpoint, I believe it's completely enforceable," Bagala said.

The county documented 508 new coronavirus cases during the 14-day period ending Thursday. The county's total number of known cases during the pandemic was 13,586 on Thursday.

Of the Marin County residents eligible for vaccination — those 12 and older — 196,335, or about 88%, are fully vaccinated. The county reported that 212,492 people, or about 95% of the eligible population, have had one vaccine dose.



“We’re committed to all workers and all members of the community — it’s a top priority,” Bagala said.
“We’re also going to continue to stand by our members to make their own decisions. Those who are unvaccinated will continue to wear

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MILL VALLEY

Sewer district honored for odor control project

The Sewerage Agency of Southern Marin has been recognized by the California Association of Sanitation Agencies for its \$2.2 million odor control system project completed last year.

The project was part of an upgrade to the wastewater treatment plant across from Mill Valley Middle School and Bayfront Park. The association honored the agency with an award of excellence for outstanding capital project at its 66th annual conference in San Diego earlier this month.

FAIRFAX

Town seeks input on outdoor dining

Town officials have extended a survey seeking public comments on the outdoor dining program.

The survey is available at bit.ly/3sNmqaO through 5 p.m. Friday.

NOVATO

Suspects face charges for alleged carjacking

Two men have been charged with robbery in connection with a Novato carjacking investigation.

The crime happened at about 11 p.m. Aug. 18 in the southern part of the city, according to Detective Sgt. Alan Bates of the Novato Police Department. The victim reported being assaulted by two robbers who then stole the victim's vehicle.

Police found the vehicle abandoned nearby. After further investigation they identified the suspects as Orlando Marcel Lewis Jr., 20, of Novato and Marquise Wallace Jr., 19, of Sausalito. Police arrested both suspects the following day.

Lewis was already a suspect

in another vehicle theft and robbery case earlier this month in Novato. He allegedly took the car keys from a woman he had been driving with, would not let her out of the car and injured her in the ensuing scuffle.

The Marin County District Attorney's Office filed charges on Aug. 20. Lewis is charged with second-degree robbery, attempted second-degree robbery, dissuading a witness from reporting a crime and false imprisonment by violence.

His defense attorney, Jon Rankin, described both incidents as romantic conflicts. Wallace is charged with second-degree robbery. His public defender did not respond to a request for comment. Both suspects are scheduled to be arraigned Thursday in Marin County Superior Court.

TIBURON

Demolition proposed on Las Lomas Lane

The Tiburon Design Review Board has scheduled a hearing on a residential demolition plan at 131 Las Lomas Lane.

The application calls for a new home with a twocar attached garage, a new driveway to Centro West Street, extra guest parking and other changes. The teleconference hearing is scheduled for 7 p.m. Sept. 2. More information is online at bit.ly/3yfy5B.