



COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ

WATER ADVISORY COMMISSION

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AGENDA

SANTA CRUZ COUNTY WATER ADVISORY COMMISSION

Wednesday August 1, 2018, 4:00 p.m.

Fifth Floor Conference Room, Room 520 - County Governmental Center
701 Ocean Street
Santa Cruz, CA 95060

A. OPENING

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: June 6, 2018

C. PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS

Opportunity for members of the public to address the Commission on matters that are within the Commission's area of responsibility, but not on today's agenda.

D. COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS

Opportunity for Commissioners to report on matters that are not on today's agenda.

E. STAFF REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

F. UNFINISHED BUSINESS – *indicates items for discussion

1. Pajaro Valley Groundwater Management Issues
2. Santa Margarita Groundwater Management Issues
3. Water Conservation Efforts, Countywide
4. Update on County Water Resource Management Efforts
5. Mid-County Water Issues
6. County Commission on the Environment
7. Update on Conjunctive Use and Groundwater Recharge Efforts
8. Karst protection zone proposal
9. Environmental Code Compliance
10. Water Supply Planning
11. County-wide Drought Response
12. Water Advisory Commission Attendance, Role, and Work Program*
13. Cannabis Cultivation

G. NEW BUSINESS

1. **Update to County Code Chapter 2.96, Water Advisory Commission*** (Attached)
2. **Pure Water Soquel Draft Environmental Impact Report***
<https://www.soquelcreekwater.org/PWS-CEQA>
3. **Updates to County Septic System Ordinance and Management Program***

H. INFORMATION AGENDA

I. CORRESPONDENCE

J. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ACTION ON ITEMS AFFECTING WATER:

K. AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

L. ADJOURNMENT:

PLEASE CONTACT JOHN RICKER, (831) 454-2750, IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO ATTEND THIS MEETING

The County of Santa Cruz does not discriminate on the basis of disability, and no person shall, by reason of disability, be denied the benefits of its services, programs or activities. The meeting room is located in an accessible facility. If you wish to attend this meeting and you will require special assistance in order to participate, please contact Teresa Lautenschlager at 454-2022 at least 72 hours in advance of the meeting, to make arrangements. As a courtesy to those persons affected, please attend the meeting smoke and scent free.



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Wednesday June 6, 2017, 4:00 p.m.

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A. OPENING

1. **Call to Order:** 4:02 PM

2. **Roll Call:**

Present: Hamilton-Monkerud, Wilson, Berry, Gregorio, Sharp

Absent: Edgemon,

Staff: John Ricker, Kristen Kittleson; Environmental Health

3. **Election of Officers: Chair and Vice-Chair***: Motion by Wilson, seconded by Gregorio, approved unanimously to elect Berry the Chair and Wilson the Vice-Chair

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: February 7, 2018, April 4, 2018

Motion: Moved by Berry, seconded by Sharp, approved unanimously, with modification to the April 4 minutes to include under I.3. the letter from the Water Advisory Commission to the Board of Supervisors

C. PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS

Taj Dufour of Soquel Creek Water District reported on imminent availability of the Draft Environmental Impact Report for the Pure Water Soquel project. He also reported on a private agricultural well going salty in the San Andreas Road area near Sand Dollar Beach.

D. COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS

Question about ways to improve commissioner attendance.

No Action

E. STAFF REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

No Action

Information was provided on the *Connecting the Drops* event in early February, and a recent announcement from DWR that all three regional GSAs are recommended for Prop 1 grant funding.

F. UNFINISHED BUSINESS – *indicates items for discussion

1. **Pajaro Valley Groundwater Management Issues**

No discussion

2. **Santa Margarita Groundwater Management Issues**

No discussion

3. **Water Conservation Efforts, Countywide**

No discussion

4. **Update on County Water Resource Management Efforts**

No discussion

5. **Mid-County Water Issues**

No discussion

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| 6. County Commission on the Environment | <i>No discussion</i> |
| 7. Update on Conjunctive Use and Groundwater Recharge Efforts | <i>No discussion</i> |
| 8. Karst protection zone proposal | <i>No discussion</i> |
| 9. Environmental Code Compliance | <i>No discussion</i> |
| 10. Water Supply Planning | <i>No discussion</i> |
| 11. County-wide Drought Response | <i>No discussion</i> |
| 12. <u>Water Advisory Commission Role and Work Program*</u> | <i>No discussion</i> |
| 13. Cannabis Cultivation | |
| 14. <u>Riparian Corridor Protection and Management*</u> : Presentation by Kristen Kittleston on County Efforts | <i>No Action</i> |
| 15. <u>Groundwater, streamflow, fish and groundwater dependent ecosystems*</u> | <i>No Action</i> |

G. NEW BUSINESS

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| 1. <u>Potential Watermaster to Enforce Soquel Creek Adjudication *</u> | <i>No Action</i> |
| 2. <u>Water Supply Requirements for Accessory Dwelling Units*</u> | <i>No Action</i> |

H. INFORMATION AGENDA

I. CORRESPONDENCE

J. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ACTION ON ITEMS AFFECTING WATER:

- a. May 8, 2018, #23 - Approve amendment to agreement with San Lorenzo Valley Water District, in the amount of \$109,940, for a new total of \$127,240, to develop a San Lorenzo Watershed Conjunctive Use Plan, and take related actions, as recommended by the Director of Health Services
- b. May 8, 2018, #19 - Approve agreement with Hydrometrics Water Resources, Inc., in the amount of \$85,695 to conduct hydrologic modeling for the Mid-County Groundwater Basin, and take related actions, as recommended by the Director of Health Services
- c. May 8, 2018, #18 - Adopt resolution confirming the established benefit assessments/service charges for County Service Area Number 12, Wastewater Management (CSA 12) for fiscal year 2018-19, adopt resolution setting the public hearing for June 12, 2018 on proposed FY 2018-19 Assessment/Service Charge Reports for CSA 12, and direct Clerk of the Board to publish notice of the public hearing, as recommended by the Director of Health Services

K. AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

L. ADJOURNMENT: at 6:01

Minutes Prepared by: John Ricker, EH Staff

Chapter 2.96 WATER ADVISORY COMMISSION

Sections:

- 2.96.010** Established—Statutory authority.
- 2.96.020** Membership.
- 2.96.030** Term of office.
- 2.96.040** Organization and procedures.
- 2.96.050** Subcommittees.
- 2.96.060** Powers and duties.

2.96.010 Established—Statutory authority.

The Water Advisory Commission is hereby established under the authority of Government Code Section [31000.1](#), in compliance with SCCC 2.38.060. [Ord. 3372 § 1, 1983; Ord. 2111, 1975; prior code § 3.19.010].

2.96.020 Membership.

The Commission shall consist of seven members, residents of Santa Cruz County, appointed by the Board of Supervisors:

- (A) Each Supervisor shall nominate one person who may reside within the Supervisor's district to serve on the Commission;
- (B) One representative of the public water purveyors with 200 or more connections shall be appointed by the Board of Supervisors on an at-large basis;
- (C) One representative of the private or mutual water companies with 5-199 connections in Santa Cruz County shall be appointed by the Board of Supervisors on an at-large basis. [Ord. 3372 § 1, 1983; Ord. 3240 § 1, 1982; Ord. 2111, 1975; prior code § 3.19.040].

2.96.030 Term of office.

Each member representing a supervisorial district shall serve for a term of four years, commencing on April 1st of the year in which the member's nominating Supervisor begins a full term. Each at-large member shall serve for a term of four years, staggered in accordance with SCCC 2.38.100(A)(2), with such staggering determined by lot. [Ord. 3372 § 1, 1983; Ord. 2111, 1975; prior code § 3.19.050].

2.96.040 Organization and procedures.

(A) General Organization. The Commission shall comply in all respects with SCCC 2.38.110 through 2.38.250.

(B) Staff Support. The County ~~Public Works Department~~Environmental Health Division of the Health Services Agency shall provide staff support for the Commission. The ~~Public Works~~Environmental Health Director, or his designated representative, shall serve as the Administrative Secretary to the Commission and shall receive copies of all minutes, reports and recommendations submitted to the Board of Supervisors by the Commission.

(C) Other Services. Staff members from the Planning Department, ~~Environmental Health Service~~Public Works Departmentes and the County Counsel shall provide services to the Commission, and shall attend Commission meetings upon request. [Ord. 4692 § 1, 2002; Ord. 3372 § 1, 1983; Ord. 2111, 1975; prior code § 3.19.060].

2.96.050 Subcommittees.

The Board of Supervisors may establish by resolution, and in accordance with the provisions of SCCC 2.38.070, one or more subcommittees to report to the Water Advisory Commission and the Board of Supervisors on specific water policy concerns. The membership of any such subcommittee may include persons with specialized and professional knowledge in water policy matters, as the Board may direct. [Ord. 3372 § 1, 1983; Ord. 2111, 1975; prior code § 3.19.030].

2.96.060 Powers and duties.

The Commission shall advise the Board of Supervisors on all matters relating to water policy, ~~and shall specifically advise the board on the formulation, review, updating and implementation of the County's water master plan.~~ The Commission shall also recommend policies to the Board of Supervisors to ensure that the production of water and the development of additional water supplies are consistent with the growth management program and the General Plan of Santa Cruz County. In addition, the Commission shall recommend to the Board of Supervisors any policies necessary to protect the watersheds, groundwater, fish and game, and recreational resources of Santa Cruz County. The Commission shall also undertake other duties relating to water quality resources, as requested by the Board of Supervisors. [Ord. 3372 § 1, 1983; Ord. 2111, 1975; prior code § 3.19.020].