



## Desalination Task Force

### Minutes

**4:00 p.m. – Wednesday, February 17, 2010**  
**City of Santa Cruz Water Department Conference Room**  
**212 Locust St, Suite A, Santa Cruz California**

For the purpose of preparation of the minutes the following terms will be used throughout the current and all future minutes. The City of Santa Cruz/Soquel Creek Water District Desalination Task Force will be referred to as the “Task Force.” The City of Santa Cruz will be referred to as the “City” and the City of Santa Cruz Water Department will be referred to as the “SCWD.” The Soquel Creek Water District will be referred to as “SqCWD.” A member of the Soquel Creek Water District Board of Directors will be referred to as “Director” and the Soquel Creek Water District General Manager will be referred to as “General Manager.” A member of the Santa Cruz City Council will be referred to as “Councilmember” and the Director of the City of Santa Cruz Water Department will be referred to as “Water Director.”

**Call to Order** Director D. Kriege (Chair), called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

#### **Roll Call**

**Present:** Director B. Jaffe, Director D. Kriege (Chair), Councilmember D. Lane and Councilmember M. Rotkin.  
**Staff:** General Manager L. Brown, Deputy Water Director L. Almond.  
**Others:** Brent Haddad, MBA, Ph.D. - Project Agreement Facilitator.

**Presentation** There were no presentations.

**Statements of Disqualification** There were no statements of disqualification.

**Oral Communications** There were no oral communications.

#### **Announcements**

Director D. Kriege reported that he attended a recent Council meeting and was pleased to see the preliminary cost share was approved without discussion.

Councilmember M. Rotkin reported that he filled in for Gary Patton on his KUSP radio show and did four informational segments on the Desalination Program.

### **Approval of Minutes**

Councilmember D. Lane moved approval of the minutes of the January 20, 2010 Desalination Task Force meeting as submitted. Director B. Jaffe seconded.

VOICE VOTE	MOTION CARRIED
AYES:	B. Jaffe, D. Kriege and D. Lane.
NOES:	None.
ABSTAIN:	M. Rotkin.

### **General Business**

#### 1. Entrainment Study and Impact Assessment – Tenera Environmental Inc. Change Order No. 3

Deputy Water Director Almond provided the staff report and answered task force questions.

Councilmember M. Rotkin moved to approve a request for additional funds from Tenera Environmental Inc. in the amount of \$38,200 for the Entrainment Study and Impact Assessment with a request that the tech memo converting ETM values for APF values be put off as long as possible in order to see if the intake determination can be made. Councilmember D. Lane seconded.

VOICE VOTE	MOTION CARRIED
AYES:	B. Jaffe, D. Kriege, D. Lane and M. Rotkin.
NOES:	None.

#### 2. Cal Desal Membership

Deputy Water Director Almond provided the staff report and answered task force questions.

Councilmember M. Rotkin moved that the **scwd**<sup>2</sup> Desalination join the Cal Desal, a desalination advocacy non-profit as a public agency member once a determination has been made by staff that at least 9 other public agencies will be joining. Director B. Jaffe seconded.

VOICE VOTE	MOTION CARRIED
AYES:	B. Jaffe, D. Kriege, D. Lane and M. Rotkin.
NOES:	None.

#### 3. Draft Agreement endorsing recommendations of the **scwd**<sup>2</sup> Desalination Task Force on the proposed Seawater Desalination Facility

Project Agreement Facilitator Haddad provided the staff report and answered task force questions.

Director B. Jaffe moved approval of the Draft Agreement endorsing the recommendations of the **scwd**<sup>2</sup> Desalination Task Force on the proposed Seawater Desalination Facility with the following amendments:

Section 2: Environmental Review, paragraph A, second sentence replace expects to award to has awarded.

Attachment 1 Project Schedule: Show the EIR as complete in 2012 prior to construction starting.

Attachment 2 Recommendations:

1. Location. Justification, Delete geology replace with infrastructure.
4. Capital Cost Allocation. B. Capital Cost Categories, Piping from Desalination Plant to City System, and from City System to Soquel Creek System, move last sentence in the last paragraph to be the last sentence in the second paragraph.
5. Operating Cost Allocation. Add a sentence - This list may be modified over time and is not intended to be all-inclusive.
6. Emergencies – Principles and Procedures, Emergency Call for Desalinated Water. First paragraph, last sentence, insert droughts.

It was further moved that it be presented to both governing agencies for adoption. Councilmember D. Lane seconded.

ROLL CALL VOTE: MOTION CARRIED

B. Jaffe: Aye.  
D. Kriege: Aye.  
D. Lane: Aye.  
M. Rotkin: Aye.

### **Program Managers' Report**

#### A. Work Schedule

- The updated overall project schedule will be presented along with the budget in March.
- The final sampling for the Watershed Sanitary Survey was done on February 16.

#### B. Upcoming Tasks

- The report on the Pilot Study is near completion and will be on a future task force agenda.
- The UCSC LML site modifications will be complete in April.
- An EIR kickoff meeting is scheduled for Mid-March.
- The offshore geophysical report will be reviewed by the Technical Committee in March.
- Work continues on the RFP for preliminary design of the plant and intake.
- Kennedy Jenks Consultants Contract Amendment for next years work program.

#### C. Additional or Amended Tasks

- The Energy Study scope of work is being amended.

D. Contacts with Regulatory Agencies/Requests from Regulatory Agencies

No report.

E. Contracts

No report.

F. Public Outreach Program

- Data Instincts and Public Outreach Coordinator provided an orientation on the public outreach program to Councilmember Lane

G. Budget

- Next years budget will be on the March agenda.

H. Report of Findings

No report.

**Public Outreach** No action was taken on this item.

**Items Initiated by Members for Future Agendas**

The Task Force suggested that a joint press release be issued and a press conference be held after both agencies approve the Agreement.

**Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 5:10 p.m. until next regular meeting of the Desalination Task Force scheduled for Wednesday, March 17, 2010 at 4:00 p.m. in the Soquel Creek Water District Board Room, 5180 Soquel Drive. Soquel, California

Respectfully submitted,

ss/Donna Paul

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Staff