

**STATE COASTAL CONSERVANCY
TELECONFERENCE PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES**

February 26, 2009

11th Floor Conference Room
State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway
Oakland, CA

Douglas Bosco, Attorney at Law
37 Old Courthouse Square, Ste 200
Santa Rosa, CA

Department of Finance
Redwood Conference Room
915 L. St.
Sacramento, CA

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Doug Bosco, (Public Member), Chair
Jeremy Hallisey (Public Member)
Marisa Moret (Public Member)
Susan Hansch, (Designated Representative, Coastal Commission)
Bryan Cash (Designated Representative, Resources Agency)
Karen Finn (Designated Representative, Department of Finance)

OVERSIGHT LEGISLATORS PRESENT:

No Oversight members were present

OTHERS PRESENT:

Sam Schuchat, Executive Officer
Pat Peterson, Deputy Attorney General
Elena Eger, Staff Counsel

1. ROLL CALL

Ms. Moret, (Oakland; present), Mr. Hallisey, (Oakland; present), Ms. Finn
(Sacramento; present), Mr. Cash (Sacramento; present), Chair Bosco (Santa Rosa;
present)

Ms. Hansch (Oakland; arrived shortly after roll call)

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2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved and seconded. Roll Call: Ms. Moret – Yes, Mr. Hallisey – Yes, Ms. Hansch – Yes, Ms. Finn – Yes, Mr. Cash – Yes, Chair Bosco – Yes. Minutes of the December 4, 2008 public meeting were approved without change by a vote of 6-0.

3. CONSENT ITEMS

A. HUNTINGTON HARBOR ACCESSWAY MANAGEMENT PHASE TWO

Resolution:

“The State Coastal Conservancy hereby authorizes the disbursement of \$26,000 (twenty-six thousand dollars) to Orange County Coastkeeper (OCC) for the purpose of maintaining the public access easement at Portofino Cove currently held by the Conservancy. This authorization is subject to the condition that prior to the disbursement of any funds, OCC shall submit for the review and approval of the Executive Officer of the Conservancy a detailed work program and the names and qualifications of any contractors to be employed on the project.”

Findings:

“Based on the accompanying staff report and attached exhibits, the State Coastal Conservancy hereby finds that:

1. The proposed project is consistent with the purposes and criteria set forth in Public Resources Code Sections 31400-31409 regarding establishing a system of public coastal accessways.
2. The proposed project is consistent with the current Project Selection Criteria and Guidelines.
3. Orange County Coastkeeper is a nonprofit organization, existing under the provisions of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Service Code, whose purposes, which include the preservation and restoration of land for public access and recreation, are consistent with Division 21 of the Public Resources Code.”

Consent calendar was moved and seconded. Roll Call: Ms. Moret – Yes, Mr. Hallisey – Yes, Ms. Hansch- Yes, Ms. Finn – Yes, Mr. Cash – Yes, Chair Bosco – Yes. Approved by a vote of 6-0.

4. EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORT

- A. OPC Update - Executive Officer Schuchat reported that the February OPC meeting was cancelled due to the bond freeze. Next OPC meeting is scheduled for April 23 in Sacramento.
- B. Legislative Report – A report was distributed and is attached to these minutes. Deadline for Bills is February 28. A longer report will be given at the next Board meeting.
- C. Climate Change Report - Executive Officer informed the Conservancy of speakers coming to the Conservancy offices on the following dates:

March 27 Peter Miller, speaking on Conservation of pacific salmon in a changing climate

April 21 Doug Johnson, speaking on Invasive Plants

Chair Bosco asked if these talks can be accessed by phone. There is a Tele Conference line and the presentations available through WebEx.

Susan Hansch asked if we were still accepting comments on the Climate Change Criteria. Yes, comments are still being accepted.

Whether or not there is an April conservancy meeting depends on the Treasurer's ability to sell bonds. The Treasurer will attempt to do so in March.

Karen Finn mentioned and asked the EO to report on the Monterey Herald article regarding the San Clemente Dam. Mr. Schuchat reported that the project appeared to be canceled at the behest of the California American Water Company.

5. SAN ELIJO LAGOON RESTORATION PROJECT

Megan Johnson of the State Coastal Conservancy presented the Staff Recommendation.

Resolution:

"The State Coastal Conservancy hereby augments its December 4, 2008 authorization to disburse an additional amount of up to nine hundred sixty thousand dollars (\$960,000) in funds received from the San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG) to the San Elijo Lagoon Conservancy to fund conceptual designs, technical studies, environmental review, and permit applications for the San Elijo Lagoon Restoration Project, San Diego County. This authorization remains subject to the conditions of the December 4, 2008 authorization and is subject to an additional

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condition that prior to the disbursement of the SANDAG funds, the Conservancy's Executive Officer shall enter into a Memorandum of Agreement with SANDAG for receipt of these funds for the project."

Findings:

"Based on the accompanying staff report and attached exhibits, the State Coastal Conservancy hereby finds that the proposed project remains consistent with the Conservancy's findings under its December 4, 2008 authorization."

Moved and seconded. Roll Call: Ms. Moret – Yes, Mr. Hallisey – Yes, Ms. Hansch – Yes, Ms. Finn- Yes, Mr. Cash – Yes, Chair Bosco – Yes. Approved by a vote of 6-0.

6. DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL'S REPORT

No report was given

7. CONSERVANCY MEMBER COMMENTS

No comments were given

8. PUBLIC COMMENTS FROM EACH TELECONFERENCE LOCATION

Doug Deitch, Monterey Bay Conservancy, regarding water deficits in Watsonville Slough project and in the Monterey County in general.

Public comment letter from Santa Cruz Land Trust (attached to minutes)

9. CLOSED SESSION

There was no closed session

10. ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment was at 10:55 a.m.