

FINAL MINUTES
**Water Demand Committee of the
Monterey Peninsula Water Management District**
March 23, 2009

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 9:05 AM in the conference room of the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District office.

Committee members present: Kristi Markey, Chair
Regina Doyle
Bob Brower

Staff members present: Darby Fuerst, General Manager
Stephanie Pintar, Water Demand Division Manager
Arlene Tavani, Executive Assistant

District Counsel present: David Laredo

Comments from Public

No comments

Action Items

1. **Receive Minutes of February 9, 2009 Committee Meetings**
On a motion by Director Brower and second by Director Doyle, the minutes were received unanimously on a vote of 3 - 0.

2. **Develop Recommendation to the Board Regarding First Reading of an Ordinance Amending Regulation XIV, Water Conservation**
On a motion by Director Markey and second by Director Doyle, the committee recommended that the ordinance be amended per the committee discussion and submitted to the Board of Directors for first reading. The motion was approved on a vote of 3 - 0. Staff was asked to review with the Board the process for recording notices of violation, as mentioned in Rule 145, Recordation of Notice. The Board should also determine if Rule 143.A.2 should be amended by changing the December 31, 2011 date to 2012. The committee requested that the Public Outreach Committee discuss Rule 154. D that requires restaurants to provide notice that water is served only upon request. The Public Outreach Committee should determine if tent cards and notice on menus should be required, and decide if additional public outreach is needed to promote the water service rule. Staff was directed to distribute the draft ordinance to local car wash owners for review, due to proposed requirements listed under Rule 143, Retrofit of Existing Commercial Uses.

The committee reviewed the ordinance and requested that it be amended as follows. (1) Modify rules to specify that if a commercial use is permitted for a spa and has the water

capacity, multiple showerheads and rain bars will be allowed. (2) Page 11: item 3, add the phrase “when installed;” item 6, add the phrase “shall be installed. (3) Page 11, item 7, consider modifying the language to prohibit the use of water softeners. District Counsel was asked to determine if state law inhibits the District’s ability to ban water softeners. If so, the language could discourage the use of conventional water softeners and also provide a list of recommended water softener systems that are environmentally friendly. (4) Page 12, item 12, delete the last three sentences and include that information in the Findings. (5) Page 13, item 10, incorporate language regarding water softeners that will be developed for page 11, item 7. (6) Page 13, item 11, delete the words “the project” and replace with the words “non-residential projects.” (7) Page 13: item 12, delete the text in parenthesis; item 13, add in the definitions section the term “single-pass water use systems.” (8) Page 14, item E, clarify that the rule pertains to all residential uses. (9) Page 15, item 6, delete the word “retrofit” and replace with the word “retrofitted.” (10) Page 19, second paragraph, delete one occurrence of the word “to.” (11) Page 20, Rule 145, staff will amend the language to provide a more detailed explanation of the process for recording a notice of violation.

At 10 AM a recess was called. The meeting was reconvened at 10:07 AM.

During the public comment period on this item, Terri Black of BRAC Systems suggested that the District’s rules should encourage the use of sub-soil drip irrigation on turf areas. Ms. Pintar responded that in the future an ordinance related to outdoor water will be developed and it will include such a requirement.

3. Status Report on Regional Rainwater and Greywater Reuse Guidelines

Ms. Pintar reported on her attendance at the February meeting of the Monterey County Greywater Working Group. She reported that the group is focused on development of definitions and rules that would govern installation of greywater systems for outdoor residential use. Terry Black advised the committee that if greywater were to be used for indoor use, the law currently requires that it meet Title 22 standards, which would be difficult to achieve in a residential setting due to strict water monitoring regulations. Efforts are underway to retrofit the BRAC system with an ozone treatment system that would achieve 99.9% purity, but that would not meet the Title 22 standard.

4. Update on Development of Ordinance Regarding Installation of Dual Plumbing Systems

Ms. Pintar reported that a first draft has been developed. It will be modified and provided to the Rules and Regulations Committee for review in the future.

5. Set Next Meeting Date

No meeting date was set.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 10:25 AM.