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Legislative Advocacy Committee of the
Monterey Peninsula Water Management District

August 8, 2019

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 pm in the MPWMD conference room.

Committee members present:

Molly Evans, Chair
Mary Adams
Jeanne Byrne (participated by telephone)

Committee members absent:

Gary Hoffmann

Staff members present:

David J. Stoldt, General Manager
Arlene Tavani, Executive Assistant

District Counsel present:

David C. Laredo

Legislative Consultant:

John Arriaga, A&E Associates
Laurie Johnson, A&E Associates (participated by telephone)

Comments from the Public:

No comments.

Action Items

1. Adopt Minutes of March 21, 2019 Committee Meeting

On a motion by Adams and second by Evans, the minutes were approved on a vote of 2 – 1 by Adams and Evans, Byrne abstained.

Discussion Items

2. Report from John Arriaga on Legislative Status and Tracking

John Arriaga reviewed the August 8, 2019 Legislative Update memo provided in the committee packet and responded to questions. He reported that SB 669 which would have established a tax on water bills to fund water system improvements in disadvantage communities, was rejected. Instead, SB 200 was approved which allocated \$130 million for safe drinking water projects. Regarding the MPWMD Legislative Track document, he reported that no further action will be taken in this legislative session on most of the highlighted bills. The legislature will convene for five weeks and then adjourn on September 13, 2019.

3. Report from Ferguson Group on Federal Activities

No report.

4. Report from General Manager on Recent or Upcoming Legislative Actions

General Manager Stoldt distributed a packet of documents related to the District's discussions with state and federal legislative staff, and also letters to legislators advocating support or opposition to

bills related to water infrastructure, conservation and office administration. Stoldt responded to questions from the committee.

Other Items: No discussion.

Adjournment – 4:40 pm.

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