



MEMORANDUM

DATE: January 16, 2014
TO: Carmel River Advisory Committee
FROM: Thomas Christensen, Riparian Projects Coordinator
SUBJECT: Packet for January 23, 2014 Committee Meeting

Enclosed is the meeting packet for the next meeting of the Committee, which will be held on:

**Thursday, January 23, 2014
10:00 A.M.**

***Mid-Carmel Valley Fire Station Community Room
8455 Carmel Valley Road***

You may also download the meeting packet from the following website:

<http://www.mpwmd.dst.ca.us/programs/river/crac/cracinfo.htm>

For directions, contact Thomas Christensen at the Carmel Valley field office at 238-2547 or by e-mail (thomas@mpwmd.net).

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**Carmel River Advisory
Committee Members**

Chair (Vacant)
Lance Monosoff,
Vice Chair
Vincent Frumkin
Thomas D. House, Jr.
Lawrence V. Levine
Frank Pierce
Margaret Robbins

Public Comment

Anyone wishing to address the Committee on a matter not listed on the agenda may do so during Public Comment.

After staff reports have been distributed, if additional documents are produced by the District and provided to the Committee regarding any item on the agenda, they will be made available at 5 Harris Court, Building G, Monterey, CA during normal business hours and on the District website after the meeting is completed.

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AGENDA
CARMEL RIVER ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Thursday, January 23, 2014

10:00 A.M. at

Mid-Carmel Valley Fire Station Community Room

- 1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL**
- 2. PUBLIC COMMENT**
- 3. CONSENT CALENDAR**
 - A. Consider Approval of Minutes from the September 26, 2013 Regular Meeting.**
- 4. PRESENT CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION TO JOHN DALESSIO FOR SERVICE ON THE CARMEL RIVER ADVISORY COMMITTEE**
- 5. ELECTION OF CHAIR FOR THE REMAINDER OF FISCAL YEAR 2013 - 2014**
- 6. UPDATE AND DISCUSSION ON CARMEL RIVER WATERSHED CONSERVANCY ACTIVITIES - Lorin Letendre**
- 7. UPDATE AND DISCUSSION ON RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT MONTEREY COUNTY ACTIVITIES – Rami Shihadeh**
- 8. UPDATE FROM CAL-AM ON SAN CLEMENTE DAM – Aman Gonzalez**
- 9. STAFF REPORTS:**
 - A. Monterey Peninsula Water Supply Projects – Larry Hampson**
 - B. Update on Current Rainfall and Runoff Conditions – Thomas Christensen**
 - C. Final South-Central California Steelhead Recovery Plan– Larry Hampson**
 - D. Update on Cal-Am Settlement Agreement – Larry Hampson**
- 10. ITEMS TO BE PLACED ON FUTURE AGENDAS**
- 11. ADJOURNMENT**

Staff notes regarding these agenda items will be available for public review on Monday, January 20, 2014 at the District office in Monterey. In addition, such documents may be posted on the District website at <http://www.mpwmd.dst.ca.us/programs/river/crac/cracinfo.htm>

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**MONTEREY PENINSULA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
CARMEL RIVER ADVISORY COMMITTEE
January 23, 2014**

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

2. PUBLIC COMMENT - Anyone wishing to address the Committee on a matter not listed on the agenda may do so during Public Comment.

3. CONSENT CALENDAR

A. Minutes from the September 26, 2013 Regular Meeting of the Carmel River Advisory Committee Regular Meeting are attached as **Exhibit A**.

ACTION REQUIRED: The Consent Calendar contains routine items that will be approved or accepted upon ratification of the Consent Calendar. A Committee member may request that a Consent Calendar item be considered separately by the Committee.

4. PRESENT CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION TO JOHN DALESSIO FOR SERVICE ON THE CARMEL RIVER ADVISORY COMMITTEE:

BACKGROUND: John Dalessio served on the Committee between 2002 and 2013 and was its Chair for eight years from 2005 through 2013. During that period, the Committee focused its efforts on issues including Carmel River lagoon breaching, removal of San Clemente Dam, replacement water supplies for Carmel River diversions, disbursement of Cal-Am Settlement Agreement funds, and enforcement of Carmel River ordinances to protect the streamside corridor. The Committee expanded its outreach and understanding of community concerns by incorporating regular updates from the Carmel River Watershed Conservancy and inviting to Committee meetings representatives of key organizations involved in management decisions in the Carmel River Basin, including Cal-Am, the National Marine Fisheries Service, the California Department of Fish and Wildlife, the California Coastal Conservancy, and the Resource Conservation District of Monterey County. The District wishes to appreciation for this long standing service to the community by Mr. Dalessio. A certificate of appreciation will be available for signing by the Committee members at their January 23, 2014 meeting.

5. ELECTION OF CHAIR FOR THE REMAINDER OF FISCAL YEAR 2013-2014

BACKGROUND: The District's Rules about the organization of the Committee are silent as to handling the early termination of a turn at being the Chair. The Committee could consider electing a new Chair at the meeting for the remainder of the fiscal year (through the end of June) or Lance Monosoff, as Vice Chair, could chair the remainder of the meetings.

ACTION Recommended: The Committee should discuss what action it would like to take for the remainder of the fiscal year (through June 30, 2014) concerning a vacancy in the Chair position.

6. UPDATE AND DISCUSSION ON CARMEL RIVER WATERSHED CONSERVANCY ACTIVITIES:

BACKGROUND: This is a regular agenda item. Lorin Letendre, President of the Carmel River Watershed Conservancy (CRWC), will update the Committee about CRWC activities.

RECOMMENDATION: No action is required. This is a discussion item.

7. UPDATE AND DISCUSSION ON RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT MONTEREY COUNTY ACTIVITIES:

BACKGROUND: This is a regular agenda item. Rami Shihadeh, Carmel River Watershed Coordinator of the Resource Conservation District Monterey County (RCDMC), will update the Committee about RCDMC activities.

RECOMMENDATION: No action is required. This is a discussion item.

8. UPDATE FROM CAL-AM ON SAN CLEMENTE DAM:

BACKGROUND: Aman Gonzalez, Senior Project Manager at Cal-Am, will update the Committee on this item.

RECOMMENDATION: No action is required. This is a discussion item.

9. STAFF REPORTS

A. MONTEREY PENINSULA WATER SUPPLY PROJECTS

BACKGROUND: Larry Hampson will give a status update on the following:

- District partnership with DeepWater Desal on a desalination plant in Moss Landing
- Groundwater Replenishment Project for the Seaside Basin
- Cal-Am proposal for a desalination plant in Marina

B. UPDATE ON CURRENT RAINFALL AND RUNOFF CONDITIONS

BACKGROUND: Thomas Christensen will report on this item.

C. FINAL SOUTH-CENTRAL CALIFORNIA STEELHEAD RECOVERY PLAN

BACKGROUND: The National Marine Fisheries Services (NMFS) released the final steelhead recovery plan in December 2013, which includes the Carmel River Basin. Larry Hampson will report on this item.

D. UPDATE ON CAL-AM SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

BACKGROUND: Cal-Am, NMFS, and the California Department of Fish and Wildlife have tentatively agreed to transfer all funds from the Settlement Agreement to the State Coastal Conservancy for disbursement to projects to improve the steelhead fishery in the Carmel River. Larry Hampson will report on this item.

10. ITEMS TO BE PLACED ON FUTURE AGENDAS

Committee members should bring up any new business at this time to determine whether it should be included on a future meeting's agenda.

11. ADJOURNMENT

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Exhibit A

**MONTEREY PENINSULA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
CARMEL RIVER ADVISORY COMMITTEE
10:00 A.M. Regular Meeting at
Mid-Carmel Valley Fire Station Community Room
September 26, 2013**

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

MEMBERS PRESENT: John Dalessio, Lance Monosoff, Vince Frumkin, Thomas House,
Frank Pierce, Larry Levine, and Margaret Robbins

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

PUBLIC PRESENT: Jack Ellwanger, Brian LeNeve, Mibs McCarthy, and Gunnar Reimers

STAFF PRESENT: Larry Hampson, Thomas Christensen

2. PUBLIC COMMENT – None

3. CONSENT CALENDAR – Frank Pierce made a motion to approve the minutes from the July 11, 2013 Regular Meeting, and was seconded by Thomas House. **The minutes were approved by a unanimous vote.**

4. UPDATE AND DISCUSSION ON CARMEL RIVER WATERSHED CONSERVANCY ACTIVITIES – With Lorin Letendre absent, Jack Ellwanger updated the group on the Carmel River Festival and Feast. Jack stated that the event was to celebrate the removal of San Clemente Dam and current restoration efforts. He also stated the event was going to be a partnership between the Carmel River Steelhead Association, Carmel River Watershed Conservancy, and the Carmel Valley Association.

5. UPDATE AND DISCUSSION OF –

A. Monterey Peninsula Water Supply Projects – Larry Hampson stated that two desalination projects are currently being studied. One project is the Cal-Am sponsored project in North Marina and the other is the DeepWater Desal at Moss Landing. The DeepWater Desal project is being pursued as an alternative project should the Cal-Am sponsored desalination project in North Marina not prove feasible.

In addition, Larry stated that MPWMD is working with the Monterey Peninsula Regional Water Pollution Control Agency to complete an Environmental Impact Report on a 3,500 AFY project to recycle water for indirect potable use in the Seaside Groundwater Basin.

B. Increased Surface Water Storage Within the Carmel River Watershed – Larry Hampson updated the group on MPWMD's efforts to evaluate and study alternatives at Los Padres Reservoir including dredging, raising the dam, removing the dam, managing sediment, fish passage improvements and the potential for off-channel

surface storage to replace Los Padres Reservoir storage.

- C. Update on Current Rainfall and Runoff Conditions – Thomas Christensen updated the group that rainfall was 68% of average to date. He also stated that runoff was 40% of average.
- D. Update on Vegetation Management – Thomas Christensen stated that two areas along the Carmel River were being impacted by vegetation encroachment (Highway One Area and Quail 8 Condominium area). Thomas stated that these areas were scheduled to have work carried out during the late fall of 2013.

6. ITEMS TO BE PLACED ON FUTURE AGENDAS

Committee members scheduled the next committee meeting for January 23, 2014. The following topics were requested to be placed on a future agenda:

- a. Water Supply Project Update
- b. Update on Current Rainfall Runoff Conditions
- c. San Clemente Dam Update

7. ADJOURNMENT

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