



# STATE MINING AND GEOLOGY BOARD

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## *Surface Mining Standards Committee*

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## CONFORMED MINUTES

### THE SURFACE MINING STANDARDS COMMITTEE OF THE STATE MINING AND GEOLOGY BOARD

**Conducted a Meeting on:**

**Thursday, March 14, 2013**

**9:00 A.M.**

**Fresno County Farm Bureau  
Conference Room  
1274 W. Hedges Ave.  
Fresno, CA 93728**

## AGENDA

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**[NOTE: Times are approximate. The chairman may alter the hearing start time or agenda item order during the meeting]**

**I. Call to Order (Lane)**

**II. Roll Call and Declaration of a Quorum**

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 A.M. by Committee Chairman Lane, with Member Barry and SMGB Chairman Gonzalez present, and a quorum was declared.

**III. Consent Items [Action]**

[All the items appearing under this section will be acted upon by the committee by one motion and without discussion; however, any committee member wishing to discuss a particular item may request the Chairman to remove the item from the Consent Calendar and consider it separately under Continued Business or New Business]

1. Approval of Minutes, January 12, 2012, Committee Meeting.

Committee Member Barry moved to approve the minutes. SMGB Chairman Gonzalez seconded and the motion carried with a unanimous voice vote.

**IV. Continued Business [Action]**

[These business items have been continued from a previous meeting/hearing]

2. Consideration of an Amended Reclamation Plan for Super Creek Quarry Expansion (CA Mine ID #91-33-0003), Painted Hills Mining Company (Operator), Allan Bankus, Jr. (Agent), City of Desert Hot Springs.

Executive Officer Testa noted that under SMARA, a surface mining operation must have a reclamation plan and financial assurance approved by its respective lead agency. The SMGB is the SMARA lead agency for the City of Desert Hot Springs, and is responsible for the review and approval of reclamation plans, financial assurances, and environmental documents. The Committee is considering recommending to the whole SMGB approval of an Amended Reclamation Plan for expansion of the surface mining operation known as the Super Creek Quarry, located in the City of Desert Hot Springs, upon completion of environmental studies pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA).

- Will Arcand, Senior Engineering Geologist with the SMGB, provided a status of operations and overview of the surface mining operation.
- Kerry Shapiro, legal counsel for the operator, appreciated the opportunity to address the Committee and provided an overview.
- Marty Derus, consultant for the operator also provided an overview of certain elements, including reclamation summary, incorporated in the amended reclamation plan.

Committee Member Barry moved to recommend approval of the amended reclamation plan to the whole SMGB upon completion of the environmental study. SMGB Chairman Gonzalez seconded and the motion carried with a unanimous voice vote.

**V. New Business [Action]**

No new business discussed.



**VI. Good of the Meeting [Information]**

[This time is scheduled to provide the public with an opportunity to address non-agenda items. Those wishing to speak should do so at this time. All persons wishing to address the Committee should fill out a speaker card and present it to the Secretary so that the Chair can determine the number of persons who wish to speak. Speakers are limited to three minutes except by special consent of the Chairman]

No reports provided.

**VII. Continuing Business [Information]**

[This item is provided as an opportunity for any SMGB Committee member to receive information on any items of continuing interest to the SMGB.]

No continuing business discussed.

**VIII. New Business [Information]**

[This item is provided as an opportunity for any SMGB Committee member to bring any item of new business to the Committee's attention for further discussion and further action.]

No new business discussed.

**IX. Announcements of Future Meetings**

The next meeting of the Committee was not scheduled.

**X. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 A.M.

**APPROVED**

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John Lane, Chairperson

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Stephen M. Testa, Executive Officer

