



# STATE MINING AND GEOLOGY BOARD

DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION

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## *Policy and Legislation Committee*

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## **CONFORMED MINUTES**

### THE POLICY AND LEGISLATION COMMITTEE OF THE STATE MINING AND GEOLOGY BOARD

**Conducted a Meeting on:**

**Friday, February 21, 2014**

**9:30 A.M.**

**(Or immediately following the Mineral & Geologic Resources Committee)**

**LOCATION:**

**Assembly Hearing Room #444  
State Capitol  
Sacramento, CA 95814**

## **AGENDA**

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will be included in a late document submittal listing. Late submittals, received after 48 hours prior to the scheduled meeting, will not be included on the late document submittal list. The SMGB would accept a two-page written summary of testimony, or final comments based on, and limited to, review of the SMGB's packet and/or Executive Officer's report, at the time of the public hearing. Such two-page summaries would be included as part of the administrative record before the SMGB. This policy does not apply to quasijudicial proceedings (i.e., appeals, petitions, etc.) where administrative procedures for the submittal of documents are set forth in statute and regulation.

Individuals are responsible for presenting their own projects at the meeting.

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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 (Kenline)**

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 A.M. by Committee Chairman Kenline, with Members Gavric and Nouskham present, and a quorum was declared.

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

**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, June 13, 2013 Committee Meeting.

Committee Member Gavric moved to approve the minutes. Committee Member Nouskham 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. Discussion and Possible Action on Legislative Update.

Executive Officer Testa stated that at its January 9, 2014 regular business meeting, the SMGB requested that discussion and consideration of new and proposed legislation be agendized for the Policy and Legislation Committee (Committee) on a periodic basis. Provided is a 2014 Tentative Legislative Calendar, and a tabulation of the most current version of proposed legislation identified as being of interest to the Committee and SMGB. The information being provided is for the Committee's information, and discussion.

- Bills of interest discussed included AB 52 (Gatto), AB 1514 (Gonzalez), SB 135 (Padilla) and SB 447 (Lara). Member Nouskham requested that AB 52 be monitored and that time constraints put on tribes could prove problematic, and inquired from State geologist Parrish as to funding mechanisms for SB 135.
- Member Gavric inquired from State Geologist Parrish about technical discussion being provided with emphasis as to how this program will function.
- Member Nouskham requested that a legislative update be provided on a routine basis.



No action taken.

**V. New Business [Action]**

**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 Good of the Meeting information was discussed.

**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 continued business was 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 was offered.

**IX. Announcements of Future Meetings**

The next meeting of the Policy and Legislation Committee was scheduled for March 13, 2014, concurrent with the next regular business meeting of the SMGB with Los Angeles as the location.

**X. Adjournment**

The Committee meeting was adjourned at 9:40 A.M.

**APPROVED**

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George Kenline, Committee Chairman

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Stephen M. Testa, Executive Officer

