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CONFORMED MINUTES

MINERAL & GEOLOGIC RESOURCES COMMITTEE OF THE STATE MINING AND GEOLOGY BOARD

Conducted a Meeting on:

Thursday, September 12, 2013

8:30 A. M.

Assembly Hearing Room #444
State Capitol
Sacramento, California 95814

AGENDA

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I. Call to Order (Kenline)

The meeting was called to order at 8:30 A.M.

II. Roll Call and Declaration of a Quorum

All committee members were 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, September 12, 2013 Committee Meeting.

Committee Member Gavric moved to approve the minutes. Committee Member Lane 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.]

 Consideration of the County of Santa Clara's amended Surface Mining Ordinance (File 5520-12Z) as Being in Accordance with the Surface Mining and Reclamation Act (SMARA; Public Resources Code Section 2710 et seg.).

Executive Officer Testa noted that the County of Santa Clara (County) has recently amended its Surface Mining and Reclamation Ordinance. The County's mining ordinance was originally certified by the SMGB in 2000 (Ordinance No. 1200.299). In correspondence dated June 3, 2013, the County requested a preliminary review of the County's amendments of its amended certified ordinance No. 555.19. On August 23, 2013, the County provided a copy of its amended ordinance reflecting preliminary comments offered by the SMGB's Executive Officer in correspondence dated August 8, 2013, and requested that this matter be placed before the Minerals and Geologic Resources Committee (Committee), for additional comment and consideration. The Committee is considering recommending certification of the amended ordinance to the whole SMGB pending adoption by the County's Board of Supervisors.

 Gary Rudholm, manager of the County's SMARA program, provided an overview of the County's efforts to amend its ordinance and make it current and more user friendly, and an overview of the administrative process being undertaken by the County.

Committee Member Gavric moved to recommend approval to the whole SMGB of the amended ordinance. Committee Member Lane seconded and the motion carried with a unanimous voice vote.

V. New Business [Action]

No new business was 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



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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 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 was offered.

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.]

- Member Gavric inquired as to a previous meeting whereas Member Baca brought up the potential need for a revised classification and designation petition form. Executive Officer Testa noted that the form was revised such that the Classification Petition form is a standalone form. Future consideration would be given to designation petitions, but that no designation petition has ever been submitted to the SMGB to date, albeit there have been some preliminary interest in pursuing such.
- Executive Officer Testa also summarized activities of interest to the Committee including the scanning of all SMGB certified mining ordinances and posting such on the SMGB's website, scanning and posting of all SMGB recognized Mineral Resources Management Policies (MRMP) on the SMGB's website, preparation of an updated Model Mining Ordinance and Model MRMP for the Committee's for the consideration, and preparation of an Information Report on strategic minerals of national interest.

VII. Announcements of Future Meetings

Adjournment

VIII.

The next meeting of the Committee was tentatively scheduled for October 2013.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 A.M. APPROVED George Kenline, Chairman Stephen M. Testa, Executive Officer

