



STATE MINING AND GEOLOGY BOARD

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Mineral Conservation and Reclamation Committee

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CONFORMED MINUTES

MINERAL CONSERVATION AND RECLAMATION COMMITTEE OF THE STATE MINING AND GEOLOGY BOARD

Conducted a Meeting on:

Thursday, April 9, 2015

9:00 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 9:00 A.M.

II. Roll Call and Declaration of a Quorum

A Roll Call was called, with Chairman Kenline and Members Anderson, Gavric and Kracov 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, February 12, 2014 Committee Meeting.

Committee Member Gavric moved to conditionally approve the minutes with changes to Item 3. Committee Member Anderson seconded and the motion carried.

IV. Continued Business [Action]

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

No continued business.

V. New Business [Action]

No new business was discussed.

2. Consideration of an Updated Model SMARA Ordinance.

Executive Officer Testa noted that SMARA requires that each city or county with a surface mining operation within its jurisdiction adopt a surface mining ordinance in accordance with State Policy that establishes procedures for the review and approval of reclamation plans and financial assurances and the issuance of a permit to conduct surface mining operations. SMARA provides for the SMGB to certify local agency mining ordinances as being in accordance with State Policy before they become effective. As of April 1, 2014, amended regulations require mandatory notification of ordinances amended by lead agencies and recertification by the SMGB. On June 16, 1996, a Model Ordinance was adopted by the SMGB to assist lead agencies in developing and revision of their local SMARA ordinance. Dispersed throughout SMARA and the corresponding SMGB regulations are subject matter that should be addressed in a lead agency ordinance. An overview of counties and cities with certified ordinances was provided.

- Member Anderson requested clarification on the intent of the addition on page 15, paragraph 8 regarding reclamation plans. EO Testa stated that it was already in regulation, the addition was only adding it to the model ordinance.
- Adam Harper representing the California Construction and Industrial Materials Association (CalCIMA), provided comments on Section 3.0.

Committee Member Gavric moved to accept the amendments but requested that such amendments be forwarded to stakeholders for additional public comment, prior to forwarding such considerations to the whole SMGB. Committee Member Kracov seconded and the motion carried with a unanimous roll call vote.



VI. Public Comment Period [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 public comment 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 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.]

Committee Member Kenline offered comments in support of revisiting the SMGB's backfilling regulations for discussion.

VII. Announcements of Future Meetings

The next meeting of the Committee was tentatively scheduled for June 11, 2015.

VIII. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:50 A.M.

APPROVED

George Kenline, Chairman



Stephen M. Testa, Executive Officer

