



# County of Santa Cruz

## COMMISSION ON THE ENVIRONMENT

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### MINUTES

Regular Meeting – May 22, 2013 at 5 p.m.

Board of Supervisors Chambers, 701 Ocean Street, Fifth Floor

#### I. Roll Call/Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 5:04 p.m.

Present: Clark; Haifley; Christensen; Pepping; Culbertson; and Hunt.

Excused Absence: Kasa; Ketley; Wise-West; and Johnson.

#### II. Additions/Changes to Agenda

Kasa asked to give update on plastic bag ban as Item V.D. vi.

#### III. Approval of Minutes – March 27, 2013

Approved minutes of March 27, 2013

Motion: Pepping  
Second: Haifley  
Ayes: Haifley; Culbertson; and Pepping.  
Noes: none  
Abstain: Clark; Hunt; and Christensen.  
Absent: Kasa; Johnson; Ketley; and Wise-West.

#### IV. Public Input/Oral Communications

#### V. Business Matters

##### A. Elections of Chair and Vice Chair (2 year term)

###### Nomination of Clark for Chair

Motion: Haifley  
Second: Culbertson  
Ayes: Haifley; Christensen; Culbertson; Clark; Pepping and Hunt.  
Noes: none  
Absent: Kasa; Johnson; Ketley; and Wise-West.

###### Nomination of Pepping for Vice Chair

Motion: Haifley  
Second: Clark  
Ayes: Haifley; Christensen; Culbertson; Clark; Pepping and Hunt.  
Noes: none  
Absent: Kasa; Johnson; Ketley; and Wise-West.

##### B. Desalination Environment Impact Report – M. Schumacher and C. Matthews

**C. Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) development as part of 2014 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (H. Adamson, AMBAG Principal Planner).**

**D. Update on current legislative efforts (T. Goncharoff)**

**E. Updates from Commissioners**

- i. Climate Action Compact Working Group (Johnson/Haifley)
- ii. Green Building Task Force (Johnson/Haifley)
- iii. AMBAG Sustainable Communities, Regional Advisory Committee (Johnson/Haifley)
- iv. Community Choice Aggregation (Clark/Johnson)
- v. CaliforniaFIRST (Clark)
- vi. Plastic bag ban (Kasa/Goncharoff)

**F. Legislative recommendations**

**G. Set next agenda**

By consensus, items to include report on Santa Cruz County Water Resources Management and issues that COE can integrate into its work plan efforts, update on legislative progress on select proposals, and presentation by Len Beyea seeking COE support of new legislation, and discussion on COE timing and tasks for BOS recommendations in support of legislation.

**H. Announcements**

**VI. Adjournment**

Adjourned by consensus at 7:09 p.m.

***Next regular meeting is July 24, 2013***