



**STATE OF NEW MEXICO
WATER QUALITY CONTROL COMMISSION**

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State Parks Division
Soil and Water Conservation Commission
Bureau of Geology and Mineral Resources
Municipal/County Representative
Members -at Large

APPROVED April 12, 2005

**Minutes of the
New Mexico Water Quality
Control Commission Meeting
January 11, 2005**

The New Mexico Water Quality Control Commission (WQCC) meeting was held on January 11, 2005 at the New Mexico PERA Building.

MEMBERS PRESENT: January 11, 2005

Bill Olson	Acting Chair, New Mexico Environment Department
Cheryl Bada	State Parks Division
Steve Glass	City of Albuquerque – Municipal/County Representative
Maxine Goad	Member-at-Large
Edward Vigil	Member-at-Large
Howard Hutchinson	Soil and Water Conservation Commission
Doug Murray	Office of State Engineer
Mark Fesmire	Oil Conservation Division
Lynn Brandvold	Bureau of Geology and Mineral Resources

MEMBERS ABSENT: January 11, 2005

Tim Darden	Department of Agriculture
Mike Sloane	Department of Game & Fish
Fred Lujan	Member-at-Large

OTHERS PRESENT:

Zack Shandler, WQCC Counsel	Marcy Leavitt, NMED
Sally Worthington	Louis Rose
Felicia Orth	Glenn Saums, NMED
Rachel Conn	Barbara Claire
Jack Milarch	Bruce Gallaher

Lynette Guevara, GWQB
Andy Nowak
Kelly Bitner

Jennifer Ickes, SWQB
B.J. Brock

Bill Olson, Acting Chair, called the meeting of the WQCC to order at 9:05 a.m.

Item #1 Roll Call

Sally Worthington took roll and noted a quorum was present.

Item #2 Approval of Agenda

Agenda Item #4 moved up to Agenda Item #3 and following items re-numbered.

ACTION: Commissioner Glass moved to approve the agenda as amended.
Commissioner Brandvold seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

**Item #3 Opening of a 30-day public comment on the draft Upper Rio Grande Part II
(Cochiti to Pilar, NM) Watershed TMDLs, presented by NMED SWQB**

Jennifer Ickes, TMDL Team Leader for the Surface Water Quality Bureau, stated they would like to open up for public comment the Upper Rio Grande Part II TMDLs which cover the area of Cochiti Reservoir to Pilar, NM. The Public Comment Period will open today, January 11, 2005 and run until February 10, 2005 at 5:00 PM. The TMDLs are available here today and were posted on the NMED/SWQB website, mailed to SWQB mailing lists, and legal notices were placed in newspapers. The Upper Rio Grande Part II TMDL public meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 25, 2005 from 6-7 PM in Espanola, NM. The SWQB plans to seek approval of the final draft documents at the April 12, 2005, WQCC meeting. They also have additional TMDLs that are going to open between now and the next meeting and they will be either mailed or emailed to the Commissioners. They will be seeking approval on these additional TMDLs during April.

**Item #4 Continuation of deliberation and action on Triennial Review of Standards
for Interstate and Intrastate Surface Waters, 20.6.4 NMAC (WQCC 03-05
(R))**

Acting Chair, Bill Olson, initiated the return to the process of deliberation continued from the December, 2004 meeting. Chair Olson requested that the minutes reflect the remarkable job done by Hearing Officer Felicia Orth and the Commission wholeheartedly agreed. Attachment A of the Hearing Officer's Report served as basis for the deliberations. The Commission concluded deliberations, which began on November 9 and 10, 2004 and continued on December 14 & 15, 2004; the Standards were adopted as amended. Commissioner Hutchinson asked that his objections be noted in the Final Order and Statement of Reasons. The Final Order/ Statement of Reasons will include information on specific actions taken during the deliberations.

ACTION: **Commissioner Brandvold moved to approve the Standards for Interstate and Intrastate Surface Waters, 20.6.4 NMAC as amended. Commissioner Glass seconded. Commissioner Fesmire recused. Motion carried unanimously.**

Item #5 Approval of the December 14 & 15, 2004 Meeting Minutes.

ACTION: **Commissioner Goad moved to approve the December 14 & 15, 2004 minutes as amended. Commissioner Brandvold seconded. Motion carried unanimously.**

Item #6 Other business

None at this time.

Item #7 Next meeting

The next meeting of the Water Quality Control Commission is scheduled for April 12, 2005.

ACTION: **Commissioner Brandvold moved to adjourn. Commissioner Glass seconded. Motion carried unanimously.**

WQCC Chair