



**EXHIBIT 18-A**

**Final Minutes  
Monterey Peninsula Water Management District  
Water Demand Committee  
Thursday, October 3, 2024 at 1:30 p.m.**

**Call to Order / Roll Call**

Chair Edwards called the meeting to order at 1:33 p.m.

Committee members present: Alvin Edwards - Chair  
Amy Anderson  
Karen Paull

Committee members absent: None

District staff members present: David J. Stoldt, General Manager  
Stephanie Locke, Water Demand Manager  
Stephanie Kister Campbell, Conservation Analyst  
Gabriela Bravo, Conservation Analyst

District staff members absent: Sara Reyes, Board Clerk

District Counsel Present: Michael Laredo with DeLay and Laredo  
Fran Farina with DeLay and Laredo

Comments from the Public: Chair Edwards opened the public comment period; however, no comments were made.

**Action Item**

**1. Consider Adoption of Committee Minutes from August 1, 2024**

Chair Edwards introduced the item and opened the public comment period; however, no comments were made to the committee.

A motion was made by Director Paull, seconded by Director Anderson, to approve the August 1, 2024, Committee Meeting minutes. The motion passed on a roll-call vote with 3 Ayes (Anderson, Paull, and Edwards), and 0 Noes.

**2. Review Request by Dakotah Bertsch to Reinstate Water Credit for Rainwater/Greywater Systems**

Chair Edwards introduced the item. Stephanie Locke, Water Demand Manager provided an overview of this item and reported that the District received a letter on September 9, 2024, from Dakotah Bertsch, requesting the Board reinstate a Water Use Credit for the installation of

rainwater or greywater plumbing systems to flush toilets and/or wash laundry. Committee discussion followed.

Chair Edwards opened the public comment period, and the following comment was made to the committee:

- (1) Dakotah Bertsch, Landscape Architecture, reviewed the letter he sent to the Board and explained the process he follows with the Building and Health departments for clients who have successfully implemented rainwater and greywater systems. He asked that these clients receive water credits if they choose to in the future.

After some discussion, the Committee agreed with the staff's recommendation that no action be taken. Additionally, Chair Edwards requested that the General Manager report on this to the full Board at their October 21, 2024, meeting.

### **3. Discuss and Provide Direction to Staff on Open Water Permits**

Chair Edwards introduced the item. Stephanie Kister Campbell, Conservation Analyst, provided an overview of this item to the Committee. Stephanie Locke, Water Demand Manager, then answered questions from the Committee. Staff reported this matter will be presented to the full Board at its October 21, 2024 meeting.

### **Discussion Items**

#### **4. Update on 2024-2025 Water Allocation Process**

Chair Edwards introduced the item. General Manager Stoldt provided a brief report on this item and mentioned that he met with the Technical Advisory Group, which included City Managers, Planning Directors, the Naval Support Activity Monterey, the Monterey County Water Resources Agency, and Housing and Community Development on September 12, 2024. Mr. Stoldt noted that this will be a discussion item for the Board on October 21, 2024. Committee discussion followed after which he will be presenting to each jurisdiction's council/board.

### **Suggest Items to be Placed on a Future Agenda**

Chair Edwards introduced the item. The committee discussed future topics of interest, but no items were formally suggested.

### **Adjournment**

There being no further business, Chair Edwards adjourned the meeting at 3:02 p.m.

/s/ Sara Reyes

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Sara Reyes, Board Clerk to the  
*MPWMD Water Demand Committee*

Approved by the MPWMD Water Demand Committee on December 5, 2024

Received by the MPWMD Board of Director's on December 16, 2024