

Measure M2 Environmental Oversight Committee

August 6, 2014
Meeting Minutes

Committee Members Present:

Chair Patricia Bates, OCTA Board of Directors
Vice-Chair Melanie Schlotterbeck, Measure M Support Groups
Charles Baker, Caltrans
Dr. David Chapel, Brandman University
Lori Donchak, OCTA Board of Directors
Philip La Puma, Measure M2 Taxpayer Oversight Committee
David Mayer, CA Department of Fish and Wildlife
Derek McGregor, Public Member
John Walsh, California Wildlife Conservation Board

Committee Member(s) Absent:

Veronica Chan, US Army Corps of Engineers
Dan Silver, Endangered Habitats League
Jonathan Snyder, US Fish and Wildlife Services

Orange County Transportation Authority Staff Present:

Marissa Espino, Strategic Communications Officer
Lesley Hill, Planning Department Project Manager
Janice Kadlec, Public Reporter
Dan Phu, Project Development Section Manager
Monte Ward, Measure M Consultant

Guest(s)

Paul Thier

1. Welcome

Chair Patricia Bates called the Environmental Oversight Committee (EOC) meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. and asked Philip La Puma to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chair Patricia Bates noted there were a couple of new members at the meeting and asked everyone to introduce themselves.

2. Approval of the July 2, 2014 Minutes

Chair Patricia Bates asked if there were any additions or corrections to the April 2, 2014 EOC meeting minutes.

A motion was made by Melanie Schlotterbeck, seconded by Lori Donchak, and passed unanimously to approve the July 2, 2014 EOC meeting minutes as presented.

3. Ad-Hoc Working Group Meetings Recap

Dan Phu gave a quick recap on where things stand on the endowment framework. The endowment framework will go to the Finance and Administration Committee for their input on August 13 and return to the Finance and Administration Committee for approval of a set of recommendations on August 27. Then the recommendations will go to the OCTA Board of Directors on September 8.

Monte Ward invited EOC members to attend any of the Board Committee meetings to support the recommendations. They would be welcomed. Staff will be presenting the recommendations on the endowment along with the financial consultant from the conservation planning effort as well as the OCTA finance staff.

Chair Patricia Bates said Vice-Chair Melanie Schlotterbeck will be at the Finance and Administration meetings to provide support for things that need a little more explanation.

4. Public Tours

Marissa Espino gave an update on the public tours of acquired properties. They have two events coming up – August 9 will be the last hike of the season and August 16 will be the last equestrian ride. If anyone is interested in attending please let staff know.

Chair Patricia Bates suggested having a list of the public access activities that have taken place and including it in the future Board package. This would remind the Board that they have been doing tours and there has been public access. A couple of paragraphs describing what has been done would be helpful.

5. Public Comments

Paul Thier said there was an article in Friday's OC Register newspaper about how many horses have been moved from the county. The article did not touch on OCTA's attempts to remove horses from the county as far as restricting access, buying properties, and fencing properties off. He is sure somewhere along the line the Register will be interested in this. He cautioned OCTA to put reserves for litigation in the endowments they are creating. OCTA should be putting funds in for the fight with the new proposed proposition which may affect Measure M.

6. Committee Member Reports

There were no committee member reports.

7. Next Meeting – TBD

Marissa Espino reported there will be no meeting on September 3, but there will be a meeting sometime in September. She will notify committee members when they know for sure.

8. Adjournment to Closed Session

The EOC adjourned to closed session at 10:15 a.m.

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8 the EOC adjourned to discuss the price and terms of payment for the acquisition of the following real properties.

The negotiator for OCTA is Dan Phu. The negotiators for the real properties are as specified.

Real Property	Geographic Area	Assessor's Parcel Number	Owner's Negotiator	Acreage
Aliso Canyon	Coastal	056-240-66	John Mansour	150
Irvine Mesa Corridor	Cleveland Nat'l	105-060-02, 105-060-09, 105-060-19, 105-051-36, 876-011-02, 876-011-03, 876-011-19, 876-011-07, 876-011-08, 876-011-11, 876-011-18, 105-051-18, 876-021-15, 876-021-04, 876-021-05, 105-051-33, 105-051-21, 105-051-57, 105-201-12, 105-201-11	David Meyers	670
Holtz Ranch (CCRC Farms LLC)	Cleveland Nat'l Forest	876-034-01, 876-041-01, 105-051-83, 105-051-84, 105-051-85, 105-070-93	Brad Schnepf	327.9
MacPherson	Cleveland Nat'l Forest	105-051-06, 105-051-08	Craig MacPherson	216.7
Mitchell Properties West	Trabuco	842-081-12	Steven U. Parker	101.7
Saddleback Meadows	Trabuco	856-071-01/09, 856-072-01/51, 856-073-01/58, 856-074-01/45; 856-075-01/57, 856-081-01/11, 856-082-01/44, 856-083-01/46, 856-084-01/37, 856-085-01/41, 856-086-01/37, 856-091-02/11, 856-092-01/42, 856-093-01/25, 856-094-01/34, 856-095-01/62, 856-096-01/57, 856-097-01/34, 856-098-01/37	William Fleissig	222
Sky Ranch	Trabuco	842-021-4, 05, 07, 08 and 842-031-04, 05, 08, 09	Dave and Michael Eadie	526.9
Takahashi (Baker Square LLC)	Cleveland Nat'l Forest	105-051-12	Carl Reinhart	643
Watson	Trabuco	858-021-10, 11	Dave and Michael Eadie	98.3