



San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments
AGENDA AND NOTICE OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
ENERGY, ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES
(EENR) COMMITTEE

Wednesday, April 17, 2019 – 12:30 PM
CR&R Environmental Services Anaerobic Digestion Facility
1706 Goetz Road, Perris, CA 92570

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Denis Bertone
City of San Dimas

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Liz Reilly
City of Duarte

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Claremont
Covina
Duarte
Rosemead
San Dimas
San Gabriel
Sierra Madre
West Covina
L.A. County District #1

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Jeffrey Lee
City of Temple City's
Planning Commission

Thank you for participating in today's meeting. The EENR Committee encourages public participation and invites you to share your views on agenda items.

MEETINGS: *Regular Meetings of the EENR Committee are held on the third Wednesday of each month at 12:30 PM at the Monrovia Community Center, 119 W. Palm Avenue, Monrovia, CA 91016.* The EENR Committee agenda packet is available at the San Gabriel Valley Council of Government's (SGVCOG) Office, 1000 South Fremont Avenue, Suite 10210, Alhambra, CA, and on the website, www.sgvkog.org. Copies are available via email upon request (sgv@sgvkog.org). Documents distributed to a majority of the Committee after the posting will be available for review in the SGVCOG office and on the SGVCOG website. Your attendance at this public meeting may result in the recording of your voice.

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AGENDA ITEMS: The Agenda contains the regular order of business of the EENR Committee. Items on the Agenda have generally been reviewed and investigated by the staff in advance of the meeting so that the EENR Committee can be fully informed about a matter before making its decision.

CONSENT CALENDAR: Items listed on the Consent Calendar are considered to be routine and will be acted upon by one motion. There will be no separate discussion on these items unless a Committee member or citizen so requests. In this event, the item will be removed from the Consent Calendar and considered after the Consent Calendar. If you would like an item on the Consent Calendar discussed, simply tell Staff or a member of the Committee.



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PRELIMINARY BUSINESS

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Public Comment (*If necessary, the Chair may place reasonable time limits on all comments*)
4. Changes to Agenda Order: Identify emergency items arising after agenda posting and requiring action prior to next regular meeting (*It is anticipated that the EENR Committee may take action on the following matters*)

CONSENT CALENDAR (*It is anticipated that the EENR Committee may take action on the following matters*)

5. EENR Meeting Minutes (Page 1)
Recommended Action: Approve.

PRESENTATIONS

DISCUSSION ITEMS

6. Tour of CR&R Environmental Services' Anaerobic Digestion Facility – Mike Silva, Project Manager, CR&R Environmental Services
Recommended Action: For information.

ACTION ITEMS (*It is anticipated that the EENR Committee may take action on the following matters*)

UPDATE ITEMS

COMMITTEE MEMBER ITEMS

7. Potential Tour at Athens Services' Victorville Organics Facility
Recommended Action: For information.

STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADJOURN



SGVCOG EENR Committee Unapproved Minutes

Date: March 20, 2019

Time: 12:30 PM

Location: Monrovia Community Center’s Monroe Conference Room (119 W. Palm Avenue, Monrovia, CA 91016)

PRELIMINARY BUSINESS

- 1. Call to Order
This meeting was called to order at 12:31pm.
- 2. Roll Call

Members Present:

Claremont – J. Stark
 Rosemead – M. Clark
 San Dimas – D. Bertone
 West Covina – T. Wu
 L.A. County District #1 – H. Nguyen
 Temple City – J. Lee (Ex-officio)

Members Absent:

Sierra Madre

Late Arrivals:

Covina – M. Saint
 Duarte – L. Reilly
 San Gabriel – C. Liao

COG Staff:

A. Fung, Staff

- 3. Public Comment
There were no public comments at this meeting.
- 4. Changes to Agenda Order: Identify emergency items arising after agenda posting and requiring action prior to next regular meeting.
There were no changes to the Agenda.

CONSENT CALENDAR

- 5. EENR Meeting Minutes
- 6. Correspondence
There was a motion to approve consent items 5-6. (M/S: J. Stark/ H. Nguyen).

[Motion Passed]

AYES:	Claremont, Rosemead, San Dimas, West Covina, L.A. County District #1
NOES:	
ABSTAIN:	

ABSENT:

Covina, Duarte, San Gabriel, Sierra Madre

PRESENTATIONS

7. The Trust for Public Land: Climate-Smart Cities Initiative

P. Perrone from the Trust for Public Land presented on the details of the Trust's Climate-Smart Cities Initiative. After explaining how disadvantaged communities and low-income neighborhoods have fewer parks and green spaces to absorb stormwater, Mr. Perrone presented the benefits of cities participating in the Climate-Smart Cities Program. This program provides the platform for the Trust to partner with city leaders and residents to design, fund, and build climate-smart parks and green spaces where they are needed the most. The Trust aims to help cities use parks and natural lands as green infrastructure that links residents to popular destinations, reduces the urban "heat island" effect, absorbs rainwater, reduces flooding, protects residents from heat waves, and reduces summer energy use.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

8. San Gabriel Mountains Foothills and Rivers Protection Act

E. Robles from Office of the Congresswoman Judy Chu (CA-27) and H. Hutt from Office of the U.S. Senator Kamala Harris provided the second presentation of the meeting on the San Gabriel Mountains Foothills and Rivers Protection Act. Mr. Robles and Ms. Hutt presented on the overview of the bill, including details of expanding the existing San Gabriel Mountains National Monument, the establishment of the San Gabriel Mountains National Recreation Area, the establishment of new wilderness areas, and the re-classification of several San Gabriel Mountain rivers as Wild and Scenic Rivers. It is expected that this bill will be presented to Congress in the second week of April.

After a brief discussion, the Committee decided to act upon this item.

There was a motion to recommend the SGVCOG Governing Board to support the following items in accordance to the language set out in the San Gabriel Mountains Foothills and Rivers Protection Act:

- **The expansion of the San Gabriel Mountains National Monument;**
- **The establishment of the San Gabriel Mountains National Recreation Area;**
- **The classifications of Yerba Buena and Condor Peak as Wilderness Areas;**
- **The expansions of the San Gabriel and Sheep Mountain Wilderness Areas;**
- **and,**
- **The classifications of WF San Gabriel River PWSR, Little Rock Creek PWSR, Cooper Canyon PWSR, SF Cooper Canyon PWSR, NF San Gabriel River PWSR, and EF San Gabriel River PWSR as Wild and Scenic Rivers.**

(M/S: C. Liao/H. Nguyen).

There was a substitute motion to table this item until more information on this bill becomes finalized. (M/S: M. Clark/L. Reilly).

[Motion Failed]

AYES:	Duarte, Rosemead, West Covina
NOES:	Claremont, Covina, San Dimas, San Gabriel, L.A. County District #1
ABSTAIN:	
ABSENT:	Sierra Madre

The committee then voted on the original motion.

[Motion Passed]

AYES:	Claremont, Covina, San Dimas, San Gabriel, West Covina, L.A. County District #1
NOES:	Duarte, Rosemead
ABSTAIN:	
ABSENT:	Sierra Madre

ACTION ITEMS

There were no action items at this meeting.

UPDATE ITEMS

- 9.** Clean Power Alliance
There were no updates from the Clean Power Alliance.
- 10.** San Gabriel Mountains Community Collaborative
L. Reilly reported that the Community Collaborative will be having a meeting on March 23, 2019 to discuss ad-hoc-committee work plans to assist the U.S. Forest Service with its Program of Work.
- 11.** San Gabriel Valley Mosquito and Vector Control District
J. Farned from the San Gabriel Valley Mosquito and Vector Control District mentioned that the Control District is heavily investing in updating its data management system. The system will help with enhancing surveillance efforts and other collaborations. Additionally, an aerial surveillance will be conducted next month to search for non-functional swimming pools in the region.
- 12.** Los Angeles County Parks and Recreation
There were no updates from Los Angeles County Parks and Recreation at this meeting.
- 13.** Trust for Public Land
There were no updates from the Trust for Public Land at this meeting.
- 14.** San Gabriel and Lower Los Angeles Rivers and Mountains Conservancy (RMC)
J. Gonzalez from the RMC shared that the Conservancy's Proposition 68 call-for-projects will be released in the next few weeks. Committee members requested the COG to inform member agencies when the call-for-projects is publicized.
- 15.** Southern California Edison

There were no updates from Southern California Edison at this meeting.

16. Southern California Gas Company

H. Romero Shaw from Southern California Gas Company spoke about renewable natural gas filings with the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC). If the filings are approved, it is expected that renewable natural gas will replace fossil fuel and regular natural gas in SoCalGas' pipelines beginning 2022.

COMMITTEE MEMBER ITEMS

17. April CR&R Biogas Conversion Facility Tour Logistics

In lieu of the April EENR Committee meeting, the Committee will be touring CR&R's facility in Perris, CA. SGVCOG staff will work with the Chair to coordinate logistics of the tour.

18. Discussion on Potential Joint EENR-Public Works TAC-Planners TAC Meeting in May 2019

The EENR Committee will be re-scheduling its meeting time in May to have a joint-meeting with the Public Works TAC and Planners TAC on Wednesday, 5/15 or Wednesday, 5/22 at 12:30pm. The joint-meeting will focus on providing feedback to the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) regarding its opened proceedings to evaluate proposed methodologies related to the development of rules, policies, and procedures that are aimed at reducing greenhouse gas emissions from buildings.

STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS

19. Senate Bill 54/Assembly Bill 1080: Single-Use Packaging and Products

SGVCOG staff presented key details on this bill and mentioned that Committee members can choose to act on recommending the Governing Board to support or oppose this bill.

20. CalRecycle Senate Bill 1383 Updates

SGVCOG staff shared updates regarding the CalRecycle's SB 1383 formal rulemaking process and encouraged cities to share any comments and concerns with CalRecycle at SLCP.Organics@calrecycle.ca.gov.

21. Upcoming EENR Committee Presentations and Meeting Dates

The Committee will be hosting a tour of the CR&R's biogas conversion facility in Perris, CA in lieu of its April meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no announcements at this meeting.

ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at 2:02 pm.