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OFFICIAL NOTICE AND AGENDA

MEETING OF THE BOARD FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS, LAND SURVEYORS, AND GEOLOGISTS

Carpinteria Sanitary District, Boardroom 5300 Sixth Street Carpinteria, CA 93013

Thursday, November 16, 2023, beginning at 9:00 a.m., and continuing Friday, November 17, 2023, if necessary

Electronic copies of this Notice and Agenda are available at <u>http://www.bpelsg.ca.gov</u>. The time and order of agenda items are subject to change at the discretion of the Board President and may be taken out of order. Items scheduled for a particular day may be moved to an earlier or later day to facilitate the effective transaction of business. In accordance with the Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act, all meetings of the Board are open to the public. The meeting will not be webcast.

Government Code section 11125.7 provides the opportunity for the public to address each agenda item during discussion or consideration by the Board prior to the Board taking any action on said item. Members of the public will be provided appropriate opportunities to comment on any issue before the Board, but the Board President may, at his or her discretion, apportion available time among those who wish to speak. Individuals may appear before the Board to discuss items not on the agenda; however, the Board can neither discuss nor take official action on these items at the time of the same meeting (Government Code sections 11125, 11125.7(a)).

The meeting location is accessible to the physically disabled. A person who needs disability- related accommodations or modifications in order to participate in the meeting may make a request by contacting Celina Calderone at (916) 999-3600 or celina.calderone@dca.ca.gov or by sending a written request to Ms. Calderone at the Board for Professional Engineers, Land Surveyors, and Geologists, 2535 Capitol Oaks Drive, Suite 300, Sacramento, California, 95833. Providing your request at least five (5) business days before the meeting will help to ensure availability of the requested accommodations.

For further information regarding this meeting, please contact Celina Calderone at (916) 999-3600. California Relay Service for Hearing Impaired: Dial 711.



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Board Members: President Michael Hartley; Vice-President Christina Wong; Fel Amistad; Alireza Asgari; Rossana D'Antonio; Cristina Garcia; Coby King; Guillermo Martinez; Betsy Mathieson; Frank Ruffino; Wilfredo Sanchez; and Fermin Villegas

I. Roll Call to Establish a Quorum

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Public Comment for Items Not on the Agenda

NOTE: The Board cannot discuss or take action on any matter raised during this public comment section, except to decide whether to place the matter on the agenda of a future meeting. (Government Code sections 11125, 11125.7(a).) The Board will also allow for public comment during the discussion of each item on the agenda and will allow time for public comment for items not on the agenda at the beginning of both days of the meeting. Please see the last page of this Official Notice and Agenda for additional information regarding public comment.

IV. Hearing on the Petition for Reduction or Modification of Probation of Robert G. Martinez

NOTE: This hearing will be held on Thursday, November 16, 2023, beginning at 9:00 a.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard.

V. Closed Session – The Board will meet in Closed Session to discuss, as needed:

- A. Deliberate on a Decision(s) to be Reached in a Proceeding(s) Required to be Conducted Pursuant to Chapter 5 (commencing with Section 11500), as Authorized by Government Code Section 11126(c)(3).
- B. Confer with, or Receive Advice from, Its Legal Counsel Regarding Pending Litigation Pursuant to Government Code Section 11126(e)(1) and (2)(A), on the following matters:
 - 1. <u>Ryan Crownholm, et al. vs. Richard B. Moore, et al.</u>, United States District Court, Eastern District of California, Case No. 2:22-cv-01720-DAD-CKD
 - 2. <u>Roy Allen Olsen, et al. v. California Board of Professional Engineers, Land</u> <u>Surveyors and Geologists, et al.</u>, Sacramento County Superior Court. Case No. 34-2022-00328379

NOTE: The Board will meet in Closed Session immediately following the Hearing on the Petition for Reduction or Modification of Probation to decide that matter, pursuant to Government Code Section 11126(c)(3).

VI. Administration

A. Fiscal Year 2023/24 Budget Report

VII. Enforcement

A. Enforcement Statistical Reports

1. Fiscal Year 2023/24 Update

VIII. Exams/Licensing

IX. Strategic Plan Discussion

A. DEI Supplemental Strategic Planning Process

- X. Discussion regarding the Background of the Board's Actions Relating to the Structural Engineers Association of California's (SEAOC) "Significant Structures" Proposal from 2015 to Define the Type of Structures that are Required to be Exclusively Designed by Structural Engineers (Possible Action)
- XI. Discussion of proposals from the American Council of Engineering Companies, California (ACEC-California) and California and Nevada Civil Engineers and Land Surveyors Association, Inc. (CELSA) to increase civil penalties for the unlicensed practice of land surveying, expanding Organizational Record requirements, strengthening Responsible Charge statutes and holding entities that hire unlicensed surveyors liable for unlicensed practice (Possible Action)
- XII. Review and Approval of the 2023-2024 Sunset Review Report of the Board (Possible Action)

XIII. Executive Officer's Report

- A. Rulemaking Status Report
- B. Update on Board's Business Modernization Project
- C. 2024 Board Meeting Schedule (Possible Action)
- D. Personnel
- E. ABET
- F. Association of State Boards of Geology (ASBOG)
 - 1. Report from 2023 Fall Annual Meeting
- G. National Council of Examiners for Engineering and Surveying (NCEES)
 - 1. Request from Aaron Blaisdell, PLS Washington State Board Member, for 2024-26 Western Zone Vice President Nomination (Possible Action)
- H. Update on Outreach Efforts

XIV. President's Report/Board Member Activities

XV. Approval of Meeting Minutes (Possible Action)

A. Approval of October 3, 2023, Board Meeting Minutes

XVI. Adjourn

PUBLIC COMMENT

Time is allotted during the meeting to provide members of the public with an opportunity to address the Board.



Public comments will be limited to 5 minutes per person unless, in the discretion of the Board, circumstances require a shorter period.



It is requested that the speakers stand or come forward as they are recognized to speak. It is also requested, but not required, that the speakers give their names and any organizations they represent.



The public may speak on items on the agenda during the Public Comment item or when the specific item comes up for discussion by the Board. If the Board does not notice a person's request to speak during discussion of an item, it is not a deliberate attempt to limit comment. It is sometimes difficult to notice a raised hand in a meeting room. If the Board does not notice you at first, please stand so that you may be recognized to speak.



The public may speak on items not on the agenda; however, the Board may not discuss or take action on such items at this meeting. Board members cannot engage in dialogue, other than to request clarification from the speaker, regarding items not on the agenda due to constraints imposed by law. The Board may direct staff to follow up on the item with the speaker or may direct that the item be placed on the agenda of a future meeting for discussion.



The Board asks that you not discuss a pending application or a disciplinary complaint matter because the Board members will be the "judges" who ultimately decide the matter, and, by law, they are not permitted to receive information that is not part of the official administrative record in the matter. Any issues relating to such matters should be addressed in writing to the Board's Executive Officer. If a person attempts to speak on such a matter, the person will be instructed to refrain from making further comments.



If a person becomes disruptive, the person will be requested to cease the disruptive behavior. If the person fails to do so, the Board is allowed by law to request that the person leave the meeting and may even have the person removed if he or she fails to leave.