

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts State Reclamation and Mosquito Control Board

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SUPERINTENDENT PRISCILLA MATTON, M.S.

Date: 12/11/2023

Attendance: Assistant Chair Christine Fagan and Commissioner Greg Dorrance in person; Chair Joseph Barile and Commissioner Dr. Henry Vaillancourt via conference call; Superintendent Priscilla Matton in person.

Chair Barile called the meeting to order at 7:02am with Roll Call: Joe Barile, present Christine Fagan, present: Greg Dorrance, present: Dr. Henry Vaillancourt, present.

MINUTES:

MOTION made by Greg Dorrance to accept the minutes of the November 9, 2023 meeting. Seconded: Henry Vaillancourt. No further discussion, motion passes via roll call unanimously, 4-0.

PROPOSED NPDES 2026 PERMIT CHANGES:

Superintendent Matton provided a brief report on proposed changes to EPA's federal NPDES permit. Changes would include reporting within the annual report on visual monitoring after a pesticide application to waters of the US. The report would require date, time, and location information. Currently BCMCP applicators conduct visual monitoring for adverse effects when making applications. The addition of providing a report is the concerning issue due to lack of information on how reporting and submission will be required. EPA is accepting comments till January 12, 2024. Currently the MCPs are working with EPA Region 1, AMCA and MDAR to gather information.

WATER MANAGEMENT UPDATE:

Josh Nickerson provided a written update to the Commission on completed and scheduled water management work. Since the resignation of the wetland's coordinator, work has seamlessly continued for mechanized activities. Ten proposed projects have been filed with appropriate agencies. Almost 10,000 feet of mechanized work has been completed for the second half of the year.

AMCA TRAVEL REQUEST:

Superintendent Matton requested travel approval to the AMCA meeting in March. Ms. Matton is the North Atlantic Regional Director for AMCA and is presenting a paper at the meeting about *Cs. melanura* and cryptic habitat.

MOTION made by Christine Fagan to grant approval and support for travel to the AMCA conference as it is a benefit to Superintendent Matton's job and responsibilities. Seconded: Greg Dorrance. No further discussion, motion passes unanimously via roll call, 4-0.

NEW BUSINESS:

Superintendent Matton reported the Northeastern Mosquito Control Association was a success with over 156 attendees and pesticide credits offered.

SRMCB meeting scheduled for Tuesday December 19, 2023 at 11:00am.

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday January 17, 2024 at Project Headquarters at 7:00am

ADJOURN:

There being no further business to discuss, Christine Fagan made a **MOTION** to adjourn the meeting at 7:20am. Seconded: Henry Vaillancourt. No further discussion, motion passes unanimously via roll call, 4-0.

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