



# bay restoration commission

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## GOVERNING BOARD NOMINATION & ELECTION PROCEDURES FACT SHEET

### **What changes were made to the SMBRC advisory body in the new MOU? Who nominates and who elects new Governing Board members?**

The “Bay Watershed Council” was renamed as the “Watershed Advisory Council” (WAC). The new WAC does not elect its own members to the Governing Board. The ex officio and appointed Governing Board members now nominate and elect eligible WAC members to seven open positions: three at-large, two business (one being a business in the tourism industry), and two environmental/public interest positions.

### **When is the nomination period open?**

The nomination period is open NOW (effective November 10, 2011). It will close on Thursday, December 8, one week prior to the Governing Board meeting when elections will take place (December 15). Floor nominations will also be opened at the December 15 meeting *before* the elections take place.

### **When will the elections take place?**

The elections will take place at the next regularly-scheduled meeting of the SMBRC Governing Board, on December 15, 2011, at 9:30 a.m. The meeting agenda will be posted on the SMBRC website ([www.smbrc.ca.gov](http://www.smbrc.ca.gov)) and at the SMBRC’s Los Angeles offices at least 10 days prior to the meeting.

### **Who is eligible for the At-Large Positions?**

Any existing member of the WAC is eligible for one of the three at-large positions. **See Attachment A for the current list of WAC members.**

### **Who is eligible for the Business Positions?**

The following members of the WAC are listed as businesses within the watershed eligible for the open business position. Currently, there are no WAC members that meet the criteria for the business/tourism position.

#### **Utilities/Industry/Business**

Brash Industries  
Chevron Products Company  
City of Los Angeles, Dept. of Water and Power  
NRG - El Segundo Operations, Inc.

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## **Who is eligible for the Environmental/Public Interest Positions?**

The following members of the WAC are listed as environmental/public interest members of the WAC and are eligible for the two open environmental/public interest positions on the Governing Board:

### **Environmental/Public Interest Organizations**

Ballona Lagoon Marine Preserve  
Ballona Creek Renaissance  
Ballona Wetlands Foundation  
Heal the Bay  
League for Coastal Protection  
Los Angeles Rod and Reel  
Malibu Surfing Association  
Natural Resources Defense Council  
Santa Monica Baykeeper  
Sierra Club - Angeles Chapter  
Surfrider Foundation, South Bay Chapter

## **How does my organization become part of the WAC? What are the qualifications?**

The MOU requires an organization to meet the following criteria:

**Watershed Advisory Council Eligibility Criteria.** Existing and potential Watershed Advisory Council members shall be deemed “eligible to serve on the Watershed Advisory Council” if they meet one of the following criteria:

- A federal, state, or local agency active within the Santa Monica Bay watershed
- An incorporated city entirely or partially within the Santa Monica Bay watershed
- A county entirely or partially within the Santa Monica Bay watershed
- A for-profit business that operates entirely or partially within the Santa Monica Bay watershed
- A nonprofit organization that operates entirely or partially within the Santa Monica Bay watershed that is in good standing pursuant to Internal Revenue Code section 501 (c)(3)

The MOU then requires a qualified organization to take the following steps toward being nominated and voted onto the WAC:

Additional entities that would like to become a member of the Watershed Advisory Council and that meet the eligibility criteria shall forward a letter of interest to the Governing Board with a resolution from the interested entity’s governing body (board of directors, etc.) authorizing the entity to seek membership and designating the entity’s representative to the Watershed Advisory Council. The Governing Board may, by majority vote at its next regularly-scheduled meeting, consider election of the requesting entity to the Watershed Advisory Council.



### **How do I get nominated for a position on the Governing Board?**

A qualified organization on the WAC should contact an ex officio or appointed Governing Board member and request that the organization be nominated to the Governing Board in order to be considered for the December 2011 elections. If your organization requires assistance with contacting an appropriate Governing Board member, contact Scott Valor at [svalor@santamonicabay.org](mailto:svalor@santamonicabay.org) or 310-922-2376 and he can connect you with the appropriate member.

### **Who nominates and votes for these positions?**

The ex officio and appointed members of the Governing Board are authorized by the MOU to nominate and vote for the open positions. Note that all ex officio and appointed members, whether deemed “voting” or “non-voting” for policy matters, may participate in the election of the additional seven positions. **The contact information for appointed and ex officio Governing Board members can be found on Attachment B to this memo.**

If you are having difficulty contacting an appointed or ex officio Governing Board member, contact Scott Valor at [svalor@santamonicabay.org](mailto:svalor@santamonicabay.org) or 310-922-2376 and he will assist you.

### **I am not yet a member of the WAC, but I want to be nominated for a GB position. How do I do that?**

At the December 15 Governing Board meeting, prior to the vote on open Governing Board positions, there will be an opportunity for Governing Board members to consider a vote on new WAC members. Any organization that is elected to the WAC at that time will then have the opportunity to be nominated by an ex officio or appointed Governing Board member from the floor for one of the open positions. Floor nominations will then be added to the list of previous nominations prior to a vote.

If your organization is interested in being a member of the WAC, it will need to follow the procedures outlined above and have the consideration of its appointment to the WAC placed on the agenda at least 10 days prior to the meeting. If your organization meets the above-referenced requirements, contact Scott Valor at [svalor@santamonicabay.org](mailto:svalor@santamonicabay.org) or 310-922-2376 before Monday, December 5, to be sure that your organization’s potential appointment to the WAC is placed on the agenda.

### **When is the next WAC meeting?**

The next WAC meeting is not yet scheduled, but will likely take place in the spring of 2012. The MOU requires at least one WAC meeting per year in a workshop-style format.

ATTACHMENT A

**Watershed Advisory Council Members (as of November 2011)**

**Local Municipalities**

City of Agoura Hills  
City of Beverly Hills  
City of Los Angeles  
City of Calabasas  
City of Culver City  
City of El Segundo  
City of Inglewood  
City of Hermosa Beach  
City of Malibu  
City of Manhattan Beach  
LA County Supervisor, District 3

LA County Supervisor, District 4  
City of Palos Verdes Estates  
City of Rancho Palos Verdes  
City of Redondo Beach  
City of Rolling Hills  
City of Rolling Hills Estates  
City of Santa Monica  
City of Thousand Oaks  
City of Torrance  
City of West Hollywood  
City of Westlake Village

**Federal, State and Local Agencies (water quality, resource management, public health)**

US EPA Region 9  
NOAA-NMFS Southwest Division  
US Army Corps of Engineers  
National Park Service,  
  
State Water Resources Control Board  
CA Regional Water Quality Control Board - Los Angeles Region  
CA Coastal Commission

CA State Coastal Conservancy

CA Dept. of Fish and Game  
CA Dept. of Parks and Recreation  
Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy  
Resource Conservation District of SM Mtns.  
LA County Fire Department - Lifeguard Division  
LA County Department of Public Health Services  
LA County Department of Beaches and Harbors

**Utilities/Industry/Business**

Brash Industries  
Chevron Products Company  
City of Los Angeles, Dept. of Water and Power  
NRG - El Segundo Operations, Inc.

**Other Members**

Chair, Technical Advisory Committee  
Chair, Malibu Creek Watershed Advisory Council

**Stormwater and Municipal Wastewater Management Agencies**

CalTrans, District 7  
County Sanitation Districts of LA County  
Las Virgenes Municipal Water District  
City of Los Angeles, Bureau of Sanitation  
City of Los Angeles, Bureau of Engineering  
County of Los Angeles, Dept. of Public Works  
West Basin Municipal Water District

**Environmental Organizations/User Groups**

Ballona Lagoon Marine Preserve  
Ballona Creek Renaissance  
Ballona Wetlands Foundation  
Heal the Bay  
League for Coastal Protection  
Los Angeles Rod and Reel  
Malibu Surfing Association  
Natural Resources Defense Council  
Santa Monica Baykeeper  
Sierra Club - Angeles Chapter  
Surfrider Foundation, South Bay Chapter

**Legislative Representatives**

Senior US Senator  
Junior US Senator  
  
US Representative, 30<sup>th</sup> District  
US Representative, 36<sup>th</sup> District  
State Senator, 23<sup>rd</sup> District  
State Senator, 28<sup>th</sup> District  
State Assemblymember, 41<sup>st</sup> District  
State Assemblymember, 53<sup>rd</sup> District

**ATTACHMENT B**  
**Appointed and Ex Officio Governing Board Members & Alternates**

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