

COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH AND QUALITY ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

May 26, 2021 8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. Virtual Meeting

Members Present	Members Excused	Members Unexcused	Others Present
Lee Cantrell	Joseph Allen		Ana Becker, DEHQ
Zohir Chowdhury	David Kellum		Heather Buonomo, DEHQ
Cliff Hanna			Dennis Clay, Public
Ruth Heifetz			Chris Conlan, DEHQ
Carlos McCray			Dao Doan, DEHQ
Michael Moulton			Ryan Forsyth, DEHQ
Doug Roff			John-Ross Glueck, DEHQ
Toby Roy			Rebecca Lafreniere, DEHQ
Lucero Sanchez			Lauren Macdonald, Board of
Byron Simpson			Supervisors, District 4
Malcolm Vinje			Kameisha Nichols, DEHQ
Mike Vizzier			Steven Tamayo, DEHQ

I. CALL TO ORDER

Stephen Zolezzi

The virtual meeting was called to order at 8:29 a.m., with thirteen members present.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The April 28, 2021 meeting minutes were approved.

III. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no comments from the public.

IV. VECTOR CONTROL PROGRAM OVERVIEW AND PROPOSED BENEFIT ASSESSMENT PRESENTATION

Chris Conlan, Supervising Vector Ecologist, gave a presentation on the activities of the Vector Control Program in 2020 and what 2021 is looking like for vector-borne disease detections. John-Ross Glueck, CHD Chief, discussed the proposed vector benefit assessment rate for Fiscal Year 2021-22.

The Environmental Health and Quality Advisory Board (EHQAB) took action to send a letter to the Board of Supervisors to convey their support for DEHQ's Vector Benefit Assessment proposal for Fiscal Year 2021-22, the programs integrated pest management approach, operational cost containment efforts, and increased efficiencies

V. UPDATES FROM DEH EXECUTIVE OFFICE

Announcements

- o Rebecca Lafreniere is retiring, her last day is on June 10, 2021
- o Dori Budde, Land and Water Quality Chief last day is June 2, 2021
- We are concluding the Admin Deputy Director recruitment

We have open recruitments for the following positions.

- Food and Housing Chief
- o Hazardous Materials Chief

• COVID-19 Updates

All counters will be reopened in accordance with local and State guidelines (e.g., CDPH, Cal/OSHA).

• Legislative Highlights

Updates were given by the division Chiefs.

- Food and Housing Division Programs
 - AB 61, Business Pandemic Relief
 - AB 1144, Cottage Food Operations
 - AB 838, State Housing Law: Enforcement Response to Complaints (FHD & LWQ)
- Hazardous Materials Division Programs
 - No new bills to discuss
- Community Health Division Programs
 - No bills

• Board Letter Log

Board Letter Log was reviewed.

• Vacancies

We have an 8% vacancy rate. The interviews for EHS Training are being conducted and expected to be filled by summer or Fall.

VI. ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 9:51 a.m. Next meeting will be held Wednesday, June 23, 2021 via the Microsoft Teams platform.