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**Water Protection Advisory Board**  
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Minutes: April 11, 2014

Location: Bernalillo County Public Works Division, 2400 Broadway

Time: 8:35 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.

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Board Members Present: Chairman Steve Glass, Vice Chair Elizabeth Richards, Jennifer Thacher, John Derr, Erik Webb.

PIC Members Present: Mark Kelly, Jane DeRose-Bamman, Lori Pettit, Ken Ziegler, Carlos Bustos, Rick Shean, Mellisa Cuellar

Guests: Tad Niemski and Helen Maestas

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I. Chair Steve Glass called the meeting to order at 8:35 a.m.

**II. Approval of Agenda**

Chair Glass opened the discussion for the approval of the Agenda.

Motion was made by Board member John Derr to approve the agenda, and seconded by Board member Erik Webb. Motion to approve the agenda as amended carried unanimously.

**III. Approval of Minutes**

Chair Glass opened the discussion for the approval of the draft minutes. Board discussed making minor corrections to the minutes.

Motion was made by Board member John Derr to approve the minutes with minor corrections and seconded by Board member Jennifer Thacher. Motion to approve the minutes as amended carried unanimously.

**IV. ABCWUA Response and Independent Conceptual Site Model for the KAFB BFF spill**

**Rick Shean, Water Quality Hydrologist, ABCWUA (Water Authority)**

**John Sigda, Ph.D., Senior Hydrologist, INTERA Inc.**

**Eileen Marcillo, Staff Hydrologist, INTERA Inc.**

Mr. Rick Shean of the Albuquerque Bernalillo County Water Utility Authority (Water Authority) provided the board with a summary of the Water Authority's

response to the Kirtland Air Force Base (KAFB) Bulk Fuels Facility (BFF) Spill, and describing the service area in the area of the contamination. Mr. Shean told the board that the collaborative contingency plan between the Water Authority and the Air Force is still being drafted, however, the Water Authority has formally notified the New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) that in the event a production well is contaminated by the jet fuel spill, the Water Authority would shut down the affected well and adjust pumping and San Juan Chama water use to make up the difference until a new well or surface water rights could be acquired.

Dr. John Sigda and Ms. Eileen Marcillo of INTERA, Inc., the independent environmental consulting firm for the Water Authority, provided the board with the conceptual site model they have prepared for the Water Authority using groundwater quality data collected by KAFB's contractor at the BFF site. INTERA has determined that there are significant data gaps in the KAFB's investigation of the jet fuel spill, precluding an accurate understanding of the current extent and future movement of the contamination in subsurface, including the aquifer, towards the Water Authority's production wells.

#### **V. Board Business**

- **Legislative Updates**

Jane DeRose-Bamman of the Water Authority and member of the Water Quality Control Commission (WQCC) announced that the Triennial Water Quality Standards Review would be heard by the WQCC during their May meeting. (Note: the public discussion period of the public discussion draft of the Water Quality Standards Triennial review has been extended to May 30, 2014.)

- **PIC Agency Updates**

Mr. Carlos Bustos of the Bernalillo County announced that Bernalillo County launched its "There is no poop fairy" campaign aimed at the prevention of stormwater pollution.

#### **VI. Public Comment Period**

Tad Niemski who is from the Trumbull and Washington roads area told the board that he is concerned about how long is the KAFB spill cleanup is taking. The Board assured Mr. Niemski that progress is being made to address the contamination.

#### **VII. Adjourned**

Meeting adjourned at 10:15 AM