

BALDWIN HILLS CSD  
COMMUNITY ADVISORY PANEL (CAP) MEETING  
Minutes August 28, 2014  
FINAL

**A. Call to Order - 7:00 PM**

David McNeil Chair.

**B. Announcement of Agenda**

Approved.

**C. Regional Planning/ECC Update - Tim Stapleton**

**CAP Membership** – Catherine Cottles has resigned from the CAP and has been replaced by Charles McCaw for the United Homeowners Association.

**ECC** – Luis Perez

Drill rig is off the field, last well completed in June. Mr. Kuechle asked about the Periodic Review and Mr. Perez noted that the County is waiting for County Counsel to advise on whether the report can be released without the air quality study. The report will be ready to be released upon County Counsel approval.

**D. Operator Update – Lisa Paillet**

**Drilling Update** - Ms. Paillet noted 18 new wells have been drilled to date in 2014. One re-working rig is currently on the field. Mr. McNeill asked about the re-work rig and noise, Ms. Paillet noted that the sites are modeled and the modeling results determine if sound walls are required. Mr. Gless asked about the number of rigs on the field, Ms. Paillet provided that between 3 and 4 rigs were on the field at any given time in August.

**Landscaping Update** - Phase 5 landscaping continues along La Cienega near Stocker.

**Compliance Plans** - The 2015 Annual Drilling Plan and the 2013 Ground Movement Survey are scheduled for submittal shortly.

**E. Well Completion Question** – Mr. Kuechle asked about whether diesel was used down hole in the well completion process, Ms. Paillet stated that FM O&G does not use diesel in any well completions at the oil field. Diesel fuel use in hydraulic fracturing operations in other states was detailed in a recent L.A. Times newspaper article. The article noted that some oil company operators in other states were not getting the appropriate EPA permit to use diesel fuel in down-hole operations. Mr. Kuechle further refined his question as to what chemicals are used by FM O&G for down-hole operations and what regulatory agencies oversee the use of those chemicals. Ms. Paillet noted that FM O&G obtains all required permits for all of their drilling and down hole-operations. It was noted that the Federal Safe Water Drinking Act requires permits for the use of diesel fuel. Mr. Kuechle stated that he had requested someone from FM O&G to come to the CAP and discuss the issue.

Mr. Perez noted that diesel fuel is used for a gelling agent and or lubricant for hydraulic fracturing operations, however, this type of well completions are not occurring in California or at the Inglewood oil field. Mr. Perez further noted that the regulatory agencies, including EPA, do monitor and permit substances used in well completion activities. Mr. Kuechle asked as to whether the County reviews these other agency permits, Mr. McNeil suggested that the question would be appropriate for the MACC. Mr. Perez noted that the Fire Department Haz Mat unit completes an annual audit at the oil field as part of the Business Plan permit process. Mr. Kuechle further expressed his concern that even with multiple regulatory agency permits, the oversight of chemical use at the oil field may not be complete. Mr. Kuechle requested that the County check on the issue and that some agency should be providing global oversight as a way of checking that all requirements are being met.

Mr. Perez suggested that County Fire Department provide an update on the issue to the CAP. Ms. Sahli-Wells re-iterated Mr. Kuechle's request that one agency should be tasked with confirming that all the various agency requirements are being met, such as a master checklist that is reviewed for compliance. Mr. Perez noted that FM O&G may be the only entity that has the entire list of all the regulatory requirements and that such oversight is beyond the scope of the County's jurisdiction. Ms. Njamfa stated the County should have that information as part of the public right to know process. Mr. Melvin concurred that a presentation by the Fire Department on the issue would be appropriate. Mr. McNeill suggested the question is also appropriate for the MACC.

The MACC membership was listed as County Fire Department, Culver City Fire Department, SCAQMD, LA County DRP, DOGGR, RWQCB, Public Works, Public Health, EPA, County Fire Hazardous Waste. MACC is Multiple Agency Coordination Committee.

Mr. Kuechle summarized the issue/question to FM O&G: What chemicals are used in the wells and what permits from what regulatory agencies are required for those chemicals.

**F. Public Comment**

**FM O&G For Sale Question** - Mr. Gless asked as to whether FM O&G is for sale. Ms. Paillet confirmed that FM O&G on-shore assets are for sale.

**Ground Movement Study** - Mr. McNeill asked about the Ground Movement Study and the DOGGR questions on the study. Ms. Paillet noted that the DOGGR issues have been addressed.

**Landscaping** - Phase 5 landscaping location along La Cienega was described.

**Health Studies** – Location of reports on the web site was described.

**Well Drilling Question** – The annual drilling plan provides information on the well drilling activities at the oil field.

**G. Approval of Minutes:**

July 2014 minutes approved.

**H. Announcement** – Next CAP meeting September 25, 2014. Adjourn 7:50.

ATTENDANCE: 8/28/14

(\*absent)

**DESIGNATED SEATS PER 22.44.142.J.1.a*****Governmental Entities***

1	Department of Regional Planning	Timothy Stapleton
2	City of Culver City	Meghan Sahli-Wells
3	West Los Angeles College	Nabil Abu-Ghazaleh*

***Operator (per 22.44.142.C)***

5	Freeport McMoran Oil & Gas	Lisa Paillet
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**NOMINATED SEATS PER 22.44.142.J.1.a****(Accepted first-come/first-served within each sub-group)*****Landowners (per 22.44.142.C)***

6	Vickers Family Trust	Roger Shockley*
7	Cone Fee Family Trust	Nancy Snowden for Liz Gosnell

***Neighborhood Organizations (Recognized Homeowners Association)***

8	Ladera Heights Civic Assoc.	Carmen Spiva
9	Windsor Hills HOA	Gary Gless
10	United HOA (View Park)	Charles McCaw
11	Culver Crest Neighborhood Assoc.	John Kuechle
12	Blair Hills HOA	Jon Melvin
13	Raintree Community HOA	Bambi Njamfa
14	Baldwin Hills Estates HOA	Rhonda Jones*

***Neighborhood Organizations (No Recognized Homeowners Association)***

15	Ladera Crest Homeowner	George Mallory*
16	Baldwin Vista Homeowner	Irma Munoz*

***School Districts***

17	Los Angeles Unified	Glenn Striegler*
18	Culver City Unified	Susanne Robins

***Neighborhood Organizations (All Others)***

19	Windsor Hills Block Club	Toni McDonald-Tabor*
20	Community Health Councils	Erin Steva
21	Baldwin Hills Conservancy	David McNeill
22	The City Project	Daphne Hsu*