

**BALDWIN HILLS CONSERVANCY
NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING**

The meeting of the Baldwin Hills Conservancy (BHC) will be held
Friday, July 2, 2021 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Pursuant to Executive Order N-08-21 issued by Governor Gavin Newsom on June 11, 2021, certain provisions of the Bagley Keene Open Meeting Act are suspended to help California respond to, recover from, and mitigate the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic. Consistent with the Executive Order, this public meeting will be conducted by teleconference and internet, with no public locations.

Members of the public may dial into the teleconference
and or join the meeting online at Zoom.

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Materials for the meeting will be available at the Conservancy website on the Meetings & Notices tab in advance of the meeting date.

10:00 AM - CALL TO ORDER – Dr. Raissa White, Chair

MEETING AGENDA

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA OR NON-AGENDA ITEMS SHOULD BE SUBMITTED BEFORE ROLL CALL

Public Comment and Time Limits: Members of the public can make comments in advance by emailing tiffany.jones@bhc.ca.gov or during the meeting by following the moderator's directions on how to indicate their interest in speaking. Public comment will be taken prior to action on agenda items and at the end of the meeting for non-agenda items. ***Individuals wishing to comment will be allowed up to three minutes to speak. Speaking times may be reduced depending upon the number of speakers.***

1. Roll Call – BHC Staff
2. Approval of Minutes (February) – Dr. Raissa White, Chair
3. Public Comments – Dr. Raissa White, Chair
4. Message from the Chair – Dr. Raissa White, Chair
5. Update on the Kenneth Hahn Recycled Water Lateral EIR – Interim Director EJ Caldwell – West Basin Metropolitan Water District
6. Update on the La Brea/La Cienega Greening Study – Senior Program Manager Anna Apostolos – Los Angeles Neighborhood Initiative

7. Update on the Baldwin Hills Parklands Community Resilience and Access Plan - Associate Director Natalie Hernandez - Climate Resolve
8. Executive Officer Report: Legislative, Operations, Project Status and Fiscal updates – BHC Staff Representatives
9. Board Member Announcements or Proposed Agenda Items for Future Meetings

Pursuant to Government Code Section 11126, the Conservancy may hold a closed session to discuss and take possible action regarding instructions on real estate negotiations, on personnel matters and/or to receive advice of counsel on pending or potential litigation, among other permissible subjects. Confidential memoranda related to these issues may be considered during such closed session discussions.

Next meeting is tentatively scheduled for **September 10, 2021.*

ADJOURNMENT

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**PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES
BALDWIN HILLS CONSERVANCY
Friday, February 26, 2021**

David Edsall Jr., Deputy Attorney General, conducted the swearing in of Dr. Nicole Lawson, Jennifer Lucchesi, and Colin Conner.

10:00 a.m. Call to Order - A public meeting of the Baldwin Hills Conservancy (BHC) was assembled at 10:02 a.m. on Friday, February 26, 2021 via teleconference Pursuant to Executive Order N-29-20 issued by Governor Gavin Newsom on March 17, 2020.

I. Roll Call – David McNeil, BHC Staff

Members Present: Megan Cooper, Lloyd Dixon, Norma Garcia, Yolanda Gorman, Robert Jones. Dr. Nicole Lawson, Jennifer Lucchesi, Sally Lukenbill Amanda Martin, Patricia O’Toole, Sarah Rascon, Jacqueline Dupont Walker, Jerry West, Dr. Raissa White, Udak-Joe Ntuk.

Staff Present: David McNeill, Executive Officer; Gail Krippner, Grant Program Manager; Tiffany Jones, Project Manager; David Edsall Jr., Deputy Attorney General.

II. Approval of Minutes (December) – Dr. Raissa White, Chair

The Chair called for any objections to the approval of the minutes. Member Martin provided a motion to approve the minutes unanimously. Member Dixon seconded the motion. With no objections or questions, the minutes were approved.

III. Public Comments – Dr. Raissa White, Chair

There were no comments.

IV. Message from the Chair – Dr. Raissa White, Chair

The chair wishes everyone a happy holiday and a happy new year.

V. Recognition of Past Chair Keshia Sexton - Dr. Raissa White, Chair

Chair White recognized the efforts and contribution of former Chair, Keisha Sexton. Chair White and Executive Director David McNeill presented the award of appreciation to former Chair Keisha Sexton, who was unable to attend the meeting.

VI. Consideration of Resolution # 21-01 Authorizing a BHC Proposition 84 Local Assistance Grant, in an Amount Not to Exceed \$19,941 to HoneyLove Urban Beekeepers for the Stoneview Nature Center Sanctuary Apiary – David McNeill, Executive Officer

Member Norma Garcia commented this is an exciting opportunity for more interpretative education and teaching children about the environment and biodiversity. She then asked if education or interpretive signage program was a part of the grant. If it wasn’t, could it be included. George Braunegg, from HoneyLove, responded that HoneyLove has laminated educational signage, and they are changed every

two weeks by Stoneview staff. Member Norma Garcia commented that she supports this effort that will continue to educate children and communities that visit the site.

Member Lawson questioned if there was sufficient space if the program needed to expand and what happens to the harvested honey. George Braunegg from HoneyLove responded that within the 35 by 35 area, bees will naturally regulate themselves. If there is a need to expand, there are other local hives to relocate the bees. The honey harvested is usually used for meetings and educational classes as a treat.

Vice Chair Cooper questioned the use of the harvested honey and asked for more permanent interpretive elements.

Member Martin questioned if the addition of bees would help pollenate endangered species in the Parklands, and if so, to highlight that fact via signage.

There being no other questions, there was a motion to approve by Member Gorman. Seconded by Member Dixon. Motion was approved unanimously through roll call voting

VII. Update on Amendment to Agreement #BHC1800 with California Conservation Corps Foundation for the Water Capture Project at Yvonne B. Burke Sports Complex – David McNeill, Executive Officer

There is no extra money requested, but a revision of the schedule for additional time and moving budget items around based on Resolution 1606. This is not an item to be put to vote, just a courtesy update to the board to promote transparency.

VIII. Executive Officer Report: Legislative, Annual FPPC Reporting, Project Status, and Fiscal updates – BHC Staff Representatives

Project status updates were given by Gail Krippner and Tiffany Jones. Gail gave an update on the completed La Cienega Pedestrian Bridge and how it is now open to the public. She gave the status on the California Conservation Corp at Yvonne B. Burke and how there was a second amendment for more time and moving budget items. Tiffany discussed the closing out of the LACC project at the Baldwin Hills Stairs. She discussed the new project, Green Valley, with LA County Parks and Recreation at KHSRA and that contract negotiations with the environmental consultant for the biological resource assessment is currently in progress.

IX. Board Member Announcements or Proposed Agenda Items for Future Meetings

Member Dupont Walker wished everyone happy Black History Month and challenged everyone as part of Black History Month to assist elders in their community in getting a vaccine.

Chair White added that this mission and commitment should carry over to Women's History Month in March.

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**Next meeting is tentatively scheduled for May 21, 2021.*

ADJOURNMENT

There being no more business brought before the board, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 10:57 a.m.

Approved:

Dr. Raissa White, Chair

Date

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Memorandum

To: Governing Board

Fr: David McNeill

Date: July 2, 2021

Re: Item 5: Update on the Kenneth Hahn Recycled Water Lateral EIR - Interim Director EJ Caldwell – West Basin Metropolitan Water District

Recommendation: No action required. Power Point materials to be provided.

Background: West Basin Metropolitan Water District (West Basin MWD) is the chief water supplier in the Baldwin Hills region, and operates the Edward C. Little Water Reclamation facility in El Segundo. This June, the West Basin MWD Board authorized funding in their annual budget to conduct additional environmental studies for the Kenneth Hahn Recycled Water Lateral (KHSRA Lateral).

The KHSRA Lateral is one of West Basin's priority projects to deliver recycled water to the Parklands and beyond. The study would provide due diligence and engineering estimates for a build out of their current purple pipe water infrastructure located in the northern portion of Inglewood to reach Ladera Park, Yvonne B. Burke Ball Field Complex, Kenneth Hahn State Recreation Area, and the Inglewood Oil Field. Opportunities to include expansion to Holy Cross and Hillside Memorial cemeteries as well as Culver City Park are also being studied.

West Basin's water recycling programs have proven tremendously successful in delivering recycled water to communities throughout Southwest LA County. West Basin's Harbor-South Bay Water Recycling Project is projected to develop up to 70 million gallons of recycled water each day and shall be used for municipal, industrial, and environmental purposes. This alternative source of water will reduce Southern California's dependence on imported water from the San Joaquin Bay Delta and will improve water reliability and resilience in the region.

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Date: July 2, 2021

Re: Item 6: Update on the La Brea/La Cienega Greening Study – Senior Program Manager Anna Apostolos – Los Angeles Neighborhood Initiative

Recommendation: No action required. Power Point materials to be provided.

Background: In February of 2020, CD 10 authorized \$200,000 in City of LA AB1290 funding for a study to improve La Brea Ave and La Cienega Blvd as pedestrian and watershed friendly gateways to the Baldwin Hills Parklands.

Los Angeles Neighborhood Initiative (LANI) is administering the project, which includes the development of corridor greening design concepts with maintenance guidelines for public streets, medians and walkways along portions of La Cienega and La Brea between Coliseum and Stocker. The consulting firm, Web Associates, has been working in collaboration with LANI and a community-led steering committee to inform their plans based on needs and desires of the region.

The study components include evaluating existing access and circulation, connectivity, safety, storm water movement, and carbon sequestration. Final concept designs and guidelines will be published leading to future opportunities to implement the project with local and state funding will be pursued in collaboration with our partners.

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Re: Item 7: Update on the Baldwin Hills Parklands Community Resilience and Access Plan - Associate Director Natalie Hernandez, Climate Resolve

Recommendation: No action required. Power Point materials to be provided.

Background: In July 2020, the BHC Governing Board approved Resolution # 20-07 which authorized a BHC Proposition 68 Local Assistance Grant in an Amount Not to Exceed \$200,000 to Climate Resolve for the Baldwin Hills Parklands Community Resilience and Access Plan. The Community Resilience and Access Plan is a research-based planning process driven by local community stakeholders and agency leaders. The final product will be a published and electronic media resource that includes research, analysis, access maps and community recommendations for implementing and sustaining a resiliency hub network and related infrastructure in the Parklands.

The project includes an important collaboration with SLATE-Z's leadership, a historic partnership of over 50 public, private, and community-based organizations dedicated to revitalizing South Los Angeles by moving residents to economic opportunity. SLATE-Z, together with Climate Resolve are implementing targeted community outreach to engage surrounding neighborhoods as well as South LA stakeholders in the design process.

The engagement activities currently focus on stakeholder input by facilitating three focus groups drawing from in and around the Slauson corridor empowerment zone. This includes group sessions, an online survey, an organized bus tour of the Parklands and pop-up demonstration of an environmental pilot project such as cooling stations, cool roof or solar electronics charging stations in the Parklands. The first Community Resilience and Access Plan public meeting was held virtually on June 9, 2021, from 4:30 – 6:00 PM.

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Re: Item 8: Executive Officer Report: Project Status, Fiscal, Legislative and Operations Updates – BHC Staff Representatives

Projects Status Report

See Attachment # 1 for the updated Baldwin Hills Conservancy (BHC) Local Assistance/Capital Outlay Project Status Report.

Fiscal Update

See Attachment # 2 - BHC Summary Expenditure Sheet by Fund and Attachment #3 - BHC Prop 1, Prop 40, Prop 84 and Prop 68 Bond Cash Funds. The reports correspond with the end of fiscal month ten (10) for the 2020-2021 Fiscal Year.

Legislative Update

AB 963 Kamlager-Dove – On May 20, 2021, the Baldwin Hills Conservancy: Urban Watersheds Conservancy Expansion Bill was held under submission at the Assembly Appropriations Committee. Under the current status, the bill will not be considered until the 2022 legislative session.

AB 128 Ting - On June 14, 2021, Budget Act of 2021 was enrolled by the Legislature and presented to the Governor for consideration. The Budget Act appropriates funding for BHC support through the Environmental License Plate Fund, as well as new and re-appropriations from Propositions 68, 1, 84 and 40. Additionally, as a result of this year's one-time budget surplus, there are \$1.225 billion in General Funds for a climate resilience package that will be appropriated contingent upon future legislation the coming weeks.

Operations Update

The BHC has completed the migration of the office server to the cloud via SharePoint and our staff's local desktops to OneDrive. Both Microsoft cloud platforms are hosted by Department of Water Resources and allow access to BHC virtual workstations via web

browser from any location. The procurement process for staff telework equipment has been completed. Delivery dates for laptops, cell phones and peripheral equipment are likely to be intermittent due to the impacts of COVID 19 on supplies of some components as well as shipping delays. The operational transition to a hybrid or remote-centered model will require updated policies and training which are available through CNRA and CalHR. Telework operations will continue under the EO emergency orders with the anticipation a statewide telework policy will be announced by CalHR in the coming month.

**BHC Project Status Report
for 7/2/21**

Project Title	Grantee	Contract ID	Fund Source	Funds Allocated	Agreement Expiration	PROJECT STATUS
La Cienega Pedestrian Bridge Project	Los Angeles County Department of Parks and Recreation	BHC17003	Prop 40	\$3,900,000	6/30/2021	Project closeout in progress, expected June 2021; Complete project close-out expected September 2021.
Baldwin Hills Scenic Overlook Trail and Stormwater Improvement Project	Los Angeles Conservation Corps (LACC)	BHC1708	Prop 84	\$830,684	12/31/2020	Project completed December 2020; processing final invoice June 2021.
Water Capture Project for Yvonne B. Burke Sports Complex	California Conservation Corps Foundation (CCCF)	BHC1800	Prop 1	\$1,500,000	10/31/202	Construction contract finalized; Project timeline extended by amendment; Permits in progress with County Dept. of Public Works; DPW requested additional information; Construction to follow permits; Project completion expected October 2021; Complete project close-out expected January 2023.

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for 7/2/21**

Project Title	Grantee	Contract ID	Fund Source	Funds Allocated	Agreement Expiration	PROJECT STATUS
Green Valley Connection Improvement Project at KHSRA	Los Angeles County Department of Parks and Recreation	BHC2002	Prop 1	\$700,000	3/31/2026	Contract negotiation with environmental consultant for the Biological Resources Assessment in progress; Estimated Project completion March 2026; Complete project close-out expected June 2026.
Mar Vista Community Greening Plan and Greenway Design	Kounkuey Design Initiative (KDI)	BHC2004	Prop 68	\$359,800	5/31/2022	First virtual Community Workshop held Tuesday 5/11/21; In-person community meetings held also in May 2021; May-June finalizing agreement betw, KDI and Mar Vista Gardens; Estimated project completion May 31, 2022; Complete project close-out expected August 2022.
Community Resilience and Access Plan	Climate Resolve (CR)	BHC2005	Prop 68	\$200,000	6/30/2022	BHC Community Resilience and Access Plan Kick Off Meeting was held virtually on 6/9/21; Research on existing plans and climate data continue; Estimated project completion June 2022; Complete project close-out expected September 2022.

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Baldwin Hills Reservoir Revitalization and Restoration Plan	Tree People, Inc.	BHC2005	Prop 68	\$198,000	12/31/2022	Design firm contract negotiation June-July 2021; Estimated Project completion December 2022 ; Complete project close-out expected March 2023.
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Cover of BHC Expenditure 20-21 FM10

Attachment #2

<u>5/27/2021</u>	<u>Activity #</u>	<u>Original Appropriation</u>	<u>Remaining Appropriation</u>	<u>EXP + ENC</u>	<u>BALANCE</u>	<u>Encumber by</u>	<u>Liquidate by</u>
ELPF - #0140, Support							
2019 Budget Act Item 3835-001-0140	10001	\$ 375,000.00	\$ 389,000.00	\$ 285,099.61	\$ 103,900.39	06/30/21	06/30/23
Prop 40 - #6029, Support							
2019 Budget Act Item 3835-001-6029	10005	\$ 135,000.00	\$ 141,000.00	\$ 86,838.12	\$ 54,161.88	06/30/21	06/30/23
Prop 84 - #6051, Support*							
2019 Budget Act Item 3835-001-6051	10009	\$ 110,000.00	\$ 133,000.00	\$ 64,025.21	\$ 68,974.79	06/30/21	06/30/23
Prop 1 - #6083, Support							
2019 Budget Act Item 3835-001-6083	10006	\$ 111,000.00	\$ 110,000.00	\$ -	\$ 110,000.00	06/30/21	06/30/23
Prop 68 - #6088, Support							
2019 Budget Act Item 3835-001-6088	10010	\$ 184,000.00	\$ 189,000.00	\$ 78,338.74	\$ 110,661.26	06/30/21	06/30/23
Total Support Balance:					\$ 447,698.32		

Prop 1 - #6083, Local Assistance/ Capital Outlay							
2019 Budget Act Item 3835-101-6083	20011	\$ 1,300,000.00	\$ 1,300,000.00	\$ -	\$ 1,300,000.00	06/30/23	06/30/25
2018 Budget Act Item 3835-101-6083	20009	\$ 2,000,000.00	\$ 2,000,000.00		\$ 2,000,000.00	06/30/21	06/30/23
2017 Budget Act Item 3835-101-6083	20008	\$ 2,000,000.00	\$ 2,000,000.00	\$ -	\$ 2,000,000.00	06/30/23	06/30/25
2016 Budget Act Item 3835-101-6083	20006	\$ 2,000,000.00	\$ 1,778,076.66	\$ 778,076.66	\$ 1,000,000.00	06/30/22	06/30/24
2015 Budget Act Item 3835-101-6083	20004	\$ 2,000,000.00	\$ 418,863.09	\$ 27,863.09	\$ 391,000.00	06/30/21	06/30/23
Total Prop 1 Balance:					\$ 6,691,000.00		

Cover of BHC Expenditure 20-21 FM10

Prop 40 - #6029, Local Assistance							
2016 Budget Act Item 3835-101-6029	20007	\$ 6,025,000.00	\$ 6,025,000.00	\$ 3,900,000.00	\$ 2,125,000.00	06/30/22	06/30/24
2015 Budget Act Item 3835-301-6029	20005	\$ 11,604,000.00	\$ 4,988,792.00	\$ 2,059,087.00	\$ 2,929,705.00	06/30/21	06/30/23
Total Prop 40 Balance:					\$ 5,054,705.00		

Prop 68 - #6088, Local Assistance/Capital Outlay							
2020 Budget Act Item 3835-101-6088	XXXXX	\$ 1,100,000.00	\$ 1,100,000.00	\$ -	\$ 1,100,000.00	06/30/23	06/30/25
2019 Budget Act Item 3835-101-6088	20013	\$ 1,100,000.00	\$ 1,100,000.00	\$ -	\$ 1,100,000.00	06/30/22	06/30/24
2018 Budget Act Item 3835-101-6088	20012	\$ 1,100,000.00	\$ 1,100,000.00	\$ 557,810.00	\$ 542,190.00	06/30/22	06/30/22
Total Prop 68 Balance:					\$ 2,742,190.00		

Prop 84 - #6051, Capital Outlay							
2015 Budget Act Item 3835-301-6051	30004	\$ 2,118,000.00	\$ 1,128,688.82	\$ 33,856.72	\$ 1,094,832.10	06/30/21	06/30/23
2014 Budget Act Item 3835-301-6051	30003	\$ 3,120,000.00	\$ 795,438.00	\$ 381,853.26	\$ 413,584.74	06/30/23	06/30/25
Total Prop 84 Balance:					\$ 1,508,416.84		

BOND CASH FUNDS

Bond Cash - As Of 5/27/21

COMMERCIAL PAPER TE	
PROP 68:	6088

CASH ALLOCATED
\$210,000.00

EXPENDITURES
\$171,177.68

BALANCE
\$38,822.32

2015 COMMERCIAL PAPER TE	
PROP 84:	6051
PROP 40:	6029
PROP 1:	6083

CASH ALLOCATED
\$6,349,878.26
\$27,366,054.54
\$2,335,586.89

EXPENDITURES
\$5,588,319.65
\$24,834,837.27
\$2,106,903.29

BALANCE
\$761,558.61
\$2,531,217.27
\$228,683.60

All figures are derived from the Agency Bonds Consolidated Reporting System v1.3 (ABCRS)