DISCUSSION ITEMS

1) Welcome and Introductions
   a) Executive Committee Chair Parry Klassen brought the meeting to order, and roll call was completed.

2) Basin Plan Amendment Language
   - Jeanne Chilcott provided a brief overview of the ongoing work on the basin plan language and the anticipated timeline for workshop, hearing, and consideration for adoption of the basin plan amendment.
     - Due to time constraints the committee agreed to reschedule the 11/2 Executive Committee meeting to 11/09.
     - Committee members were asked to submit any comments on today’s discussion no later than Friday, October 20th.
   - Jeanne Chilcott began presented the most recent revisions to Salinity Management Strategy.
   - Some of the comments received from the committee on the draft for the Salinity Management Strategy were:
     - Page 5 – Need to be clear on language that current management options only address 15% of the salt.
     - Page 6
       - In Phase 2, rather than “may be modified,” indicate “will be reevaluated” based on P&O findings.
       - Change all occurrences of “existing” to “standard.”
     - Page 8
       - First bullet under Standard approach for groundwater, in place of “no new or expanded allocation” of assimilative capacity, “limited use” might be more appropriate.
       - Text needs to reflect that the Regional Board has discretion in allocation of assimilative capacity.
     - Page 9
       - 1a – add “in the region” to the phrase, “protective of salt sensitive crops in the region.” Replace “scientifically defensible” with “conservative.”
       - 3 – There was general agreement that assimilative capacity would be more readily available with participation in the P&O Study. Committee members were asked to forward examples of when continuation of previously approved assimilative capacity would be “appropriate.”
       - 4 – Delete the first sentence that begins, “The Regional Water Board will limit…”
     - Page 10
       - 5 – Delete the first sentence.
     - Page 11 – Include a separate paragraph that clarifies what is meant by “meeting milestones,” and to show progress. Also need something on dischargers who do not opt in, or fail to participate.
     - Page 12
       - What are the circumstances in which a discharger would not be allowed to participate in the P&O study and Alternative Salinity Permitting Approach?
       - 2 – Consider using “Setting Permit Provisions” instead of “Limits.” The Board has the authority to put in a limit, and discretion to set a performance goal.
       - 4 – SNMP phrasing is “to the extent the board finds it appropriate and necessary…”
Public Education and Outreach materials must convey that permittees cannot wait until the effective date to start the planning process.

Page 14 – Transition from Phase I to Phase II will be reworked based on the morning discussion on that issue.

Are there ways to incentivize participation of the proactive dischargers? Recognition and/or adjustment in fees for permittees who have invested in improvements.

SMCLs – A small group will meet with the water purveyors to discuss their concerns and their proposed alternative language.

Drought and Conservation Policy was not discussed, Jeanne requested the committee review the policy and provide input on that document by 10/20.

3) **Review Next Meetings - Schedule/Location**
   - 10/12 Policy Meeting 9:00 – 3:00
   - 11/9 Policy Meeting 9:00 – 4:00
   - Admin Meeting 12/14 1:00 – 2:30