

WATER MANAGEMENT BOARD Special Meeting on August 2, 2023

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Scheduled times are based on Central Time and are estimated start times.

Agenda items may be delayed due to prior scheduled items.

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Wednesday, August 2, 2023

10:00 AM Call to Order

Roll Call

Adopt Final Agenda

Conflicts Disclosures and Requests for State Board Waivers

Adopt June 30, 2023 Board Minutes

Public comment period in accordance with SDCL 1-25-1

Consider Motion and any Responses to Motion to Disqualify Water Management Board's Legal Counsel and Seek Outside Counsel – filed by John M. Hines, Legal Counsel for McCook Lake Recreation Area Association

Consider Motion and any Responses to Motion to Strike Dakota Bay, LLC's Resistance, Joinder, Exhibits, and Appearances regarding the McCook Lake Recreation Area Association's Petition for Declaratory Ruling regarding Appropriative Permits and Shoreline Alteration – filed by John M. Hines, Legal Counsel for McCook Lake Recreation Area Association

Consider McCook Lake Recreation Area Association's Petition for Declaratory Ruling – filed by John M. Hines, Legal Counsel for McCook Lake Recreation Area Association

Consider Water Permit Application No. 8744-3, Dakota Bay – Nakaila Steen

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Continue any prior agenda items not yet completed.

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Board members are reminded they are subject to SDCL 3–23-1 to 3-23-5 (Disclosure Laws) which address the disclosure of any conflicts of interest a member may have regarding contracts with the State of South Dakota. Board members should report any potential conflicts to the board and seek a waiver where appropriate.

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STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL RESOURCES WATER MANAGEMENT BOARD

PETITION FOR DECLARATORY) BAY,	ION TO STRIKE DAKOTA LLC'S RESISTANCE, JOINDER, BITS, AND APPEARANCES
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COMES NOW, Petitioner McCook Lake Recreation Area Association ("Association"), by and through its attorney, John M. Hines, and in support of its Motion to Strike, states as follows:

- 1. The Association filed a Petition for Declaratory Ruling ("Petition") with the Water Management Board on or about March 10, 2023.
- 2. Dakota Bay, LLC was personally served a copy of the Petition, on its member/manager Michael Chicoine, on March 10, 2023. Mr. Chicoine was also personally served a copy of the Petition in his individual capacity on February 28, 2023.
- 3. On June 15, 2023, as instructed by the Chief Engineer, a Public Notice was published in the *Yankton Press & Dakotan* and *Elk Point Leader Courier*, ("Notice") giving notice of the Association's Petition, and informing the public of the scheduled hearing on the Petition.
- 4. The Notice also informed the public that "[a] petition to opposing the declaratory ruling shall be filed on a form provided by the Chief Engineer."
- 5. The Notice further informed the public that "[a] petition filed by an interested person must be filed by June 30, 2023."

- 6. On June 22, 2023, the Chief Engineer, by and through Assistant Attorney General Ann Mines Bailey, filed a petition opposing the declaratory ruling on the form provided by the Chief Engineer.
- 7. Prior to June 30, 2023, Dakota Bay, LLC ("Dakota Bay") did not, and still has not, filed a petition opposing the declaratory ruling on the form provided by the Chief Engineer.
- 8. Because Dakota Bay did not submit a petition opposing the declaratory ruling prior to June 30, 2023, Dakota Bay, LLC is not a party to the declaratory ruling.
- 9. On July 21, 2023, attorneys for Dakota Bay submitted several documents to the Water Management Board, namely: "Resistance to Petition to [sic] Declaratory Ruling Filed by the McCook Lake Recreation Area Association and Joinder to the Chief Engineer's Prehearing Brief"; "Notices of Appearance" [for the declaratory ruling]; and provided an "Exhibit 400".
- Dakota Bay's attempt to intervene in this proceeding is untimely, particularly since it had notice of the Association's Petition no less than 112 days prior to the June 30, 2023 deadline. See, SDCL § 1-26-17.1 ("A person who is not an original party to a contested case and whose pecuniary interests would be directly and immediately affected by an agency's order made upon the hearing may become a party to the hearing by intervention, if timely application therefor is made.")
- 11. Dakota Bay's untimely intervention prejudices the Association because the Association has just 12 days from the date it received the filings to prepare any arguments against Dakota Bay. Additionally, because Dakota Bay, LLC did not use the form provided by the Chief Engineer, the Association can only speculate what "unique injury" Dakota Bay claims it will suffer as a result of the declaratory ruling.

12. Dakota Bay's untimely intervention further prejudices the Association because

the deadline for the exchange of exhibits has already passed.

13. Because Dakota Bay is not a party, and its attempted intervention is untimely, its

filings are improper, immaterial, and impertinent, and should be stricken by the Water

Management Board ("Board"). SDCL § 1-26-19(1) ("Irrelevant, incompetent, immaterial, or

unduly repetitious evidence shall be excluded.")

14. Furthermore, the Board should clarify that Dakota Bay is not permitted to offer

argument or evidence during the declaratory ruling hearing scheduled for August 2, 2023 at

10:00 a.m.

WHEREFORE, the Association respectfully requests the Board grant its Motion to Strike

and for such other relief as the Board deems equitable and just.

Dated this 25th day of July 2023.

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Certificate of Service

The undersigned hereby certifies that on this 25th day of July, 2023 a true and correct copy of the foregoing *Motion to Strike* was served by U.S. Mail, first-class, postage prepaid, upon the following:

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