



**SPECIAL MEETING OF THE OCEAN PROTECTION COUNCIL
MINUTES**

December 7, 2016

1:00 pm

Conference Room 1305, Natural Resources Agency
1416 Ninth Street, Sacramento CA 95814
and via teleconference from various locations

Council Members in Attendance:

John Laird, Secretary for Natural Resources, Council Chair
Gordon Burns, Undersecretary for Environmental Protection Agency
Michael Brown, Public Member
Geraldine Knatz, Public Member

1. Secretary Laird called the meeting to order at 1:05 pm.
2. **ACTION:** Authorization to disburse funds to the California Ocean Science Trust to provide science services and science communication services to the Ocean Protection Council.

Deborah Halberstadt presented the staff recommendation, that the Ocean Protection Council (OPC) authorize disbursement of up to \$445,000 to the California Ocean Science Trust (OST) to provide science services and science communication services to the Ocean Protection Council.

3. **Council Vote:** Knatz moved to approve the disbursement of funds to the California Ocean Science Trust, seconded by Burns.

The motion was approved by roll call, as follows:

Mr. Burns – aye
Mr. Brown – aye
Ms. Knatz – aye
Chair Laird – aye

The meeting was adjourned at 1:35 pm.