



1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Yasutake called the meeting of the Board of Directors to order at 9:00 a.m. as a teleconference meeting. Individuals in attendance are listed below:

Board Members

Jeff Nelson, Carmichael Water District
Caryl Sheehan, Citrus Heights Water District
Marcus Yasutake, City of Folsom
Brett Ewart, City of Sacramento
Kerry Schmitz, County of Sacramento
Robert Matteoli, Del Paso Manor Water District
Paul Schubert, Golden State Water Company
Christian Petersen, Fair Oaks Water District
Brett Gray, Natomas Central Mutual Water Company
John Wingerter, Orange Vale Water Company
Mary Harris, Rio Linda/Elverta Community Water District
Robert Wichert, Sacramento Suburban Water District
Ted Costa, San Juan Water District

Staff Members

Jim Peifer, Rob Swartz, Ryan Ojakian, Josette Reina-Luken, Cecilia Partridge, Monica Garcia and Chris Sanders, legal counsel

Others in Attendance

Gwynne Pratt, Jay Boatwright, John Woodling, Kelye McKinney, Rebecca Scott, Hilary Straus, Tim Shaw, Cathy Lee, Greg Zlotnick, Paul Helliker, Joe Duran, Andrew Fecko, Atley Keller, Brian Hensley, Christopher Hunley, Todd Eising, Trevor Joseph, Dave Anderson, David Wheaton, Craig Davis and Vanessa Nishikawa

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

3. CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion/Second Carried (M/S/C) Ms. Harris moved, with a second by Mr. Ewart to approve the minutes of the June 9, 2022 Board meeting and extend Resolution 2021-02, to renew authorization to hold

meetings of the Board of Directors via teleconference pursuant to Assembly Bill 361 until such time as the State of Emergency resulting from the COVID -19 pandemic no longer impacts the ability of Board members and the public to safely meet in person. Jeff Nelson, Carmichael Water District, Caryl Sheehan, Citrus Heights Water District, Marcus Yasutake, City of Folsom, Brett Ewart, City of Sacramento, Kerry Schmitz, County of Sacramento, Robert Matteoli, Del Paso Manor Water District, Christian Petersen, Fair Oaks Water District, Paul Schubert, Golden State Water Company, Brett Gray, Natomas Central Mutual Water Company, John Wingerter, Orange Vale Water Company, Mary Harris, Rio Linda/Elverta Community Water District and Ted Costa, San Juan Water District voted yes. Robert Wichert, Sacramento Suburban Water District voted no.

4. SACRAMENTO CENTRAL GROUNDWATER AUTHORITY INTEGRATION

Jim Peifer said that the SGA Board adopted a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to work towards an integration of the Sacramento Central Groundwater Authority with RWA and SGA. The MOU created an ad hoc committee to determine a framework and guiding principles. The committee was unable to develop a consensus for a governance proposal that would satisfy the interests of all SGA and SCGA members. Staff is recommending rescinding the MOU.

Chair Yasutake commented that although he saw potential benefits and he was not in favor of the outcome.

There was discussion on the missed opportunities of not integrating the three agencies. It was mentioned that coordination between the GSAs to align long term efforts and common interests would benefit the region.

M/S/C Ms. Harris moved, with a second by Mr. Costa to rescind the Memorandum of Understanding of a Strategy for Shared Operations of the Regional Water Authority the Sacramento Groundwater Authority and the Sacramento Central Groundwater Authority. Jeff Nelson, Carmichael Water District, Caryl Sheehan, Citrus Heights Water District, Marcus Yasutake, City of Folsom, Brett Ewart, City of Sacramento, Kerry Schmitz, County of Sacramento, Robert Matteoli, Del Paso Manor Water District, Christian Petersen, Fair Oaks Water District, Paul Schubert, Golden State Water Company, Brett Gray, Natomas Central Mutual Water Company, John Wingerter, Orange Vale Water Company, Mary Harris, Rio Linda/Elverta Community Water District and Ted Costa, San Juan Water District voted yes. Robert Wichert, Sacramento Suburban Water District voted no.

5. GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY PROGRAM UPDATE

Mr. Swartz gave an update on the status of the Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) and the 2022 transfers that are consistent with the SGA Water Accounting Framework. He provided information on the GSP Implementation, preparing the implementation tracking table and starting the domestic well identification effort. Information is needed from purveyors on parcels they serve and parcels that have their own well.

Ms. Villasenor gave examples of domestic well identification and how parcels can be identified that have a well. The information on the tracking table is colored coded to identify if a well is confirmed, not likely or likely to be present. The data base will be maintained and will be a tool to assist in managing outreach.

6. LEGISLATIVE/REGULATORY UPDATE

Mr. Ojakian provided information on AB 2201 that would require a groundwater extraction facility in critically overdraft basins to have a permit from a GSA to extract groundwater, AB 2895 revises and recasts the water transfer process and SB 1124 would require the Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (OEHHA) to establish a Public Health Goal (PHG) and the Water Board to establish a primary Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) for manganese. AB 2895 and SB 1124 are expected to remain in place as stated. AB 2201 may change, but not significantly.

The budget will be passed by August 31, 2022 with a water package included.

7. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Mr. Peifer commented about an article written by David Guy, Northern California Water Agency, on Groundwater Recharge as a solution to climate change.

Mr. Peifer gave a presentation to the Building Industry Association on Groundwater Recharge.

8. DIRECTORS' COMMENTS

Chair Yasutake thanked the committee members and everyone who put in time and effort on the 3X3 effort.

Mr. Ewart reported that 2022 Groundwater Substitution Transfers have been successful. These types of transfers build relationships between agencies

Mr. Petersen said that groundwater transfers were important.

Mr. Costa said that banking water is beneficial for the region.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the Board, Chair Yasutake adjourned the meeting at 10:08 a.m.

By:

Chairperson

Attest:

Josette Reina-Luken, Board Secretary/Treasurer