

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Santa Clarita Valley Groundwater Sustainability Agency – October 1, 2018**

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A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Santa Clarita Valley Groundwater Sustainability Agency (SCV-GSA) was held at the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency, 27234 Bouquet Canyon Road, Santa Clarita, California 91350 in the Board Room at 2:30 PM on Monday, October 1, 2018. A copy of the Agenda is inserted in the Minute Book of the Agency preceding these minutes.

**DIRECTORS PRESENT:** Directors Adam Ariki, William C. Cooper, Jerry Gladbach – Alternate, Bob Kellar, R. J. Kelly – Alternate; Gina Natoli; Matt Stone - Alternate

**DIRECTORS ABSENT:** B.J. Atkins, Maria Gutzeit, Gary Martin

Also present: Steve Cole, Assistant General Manager, SCV Water; Joe Byrne, General Counsel, SCV Water; Rick Viergutz, Principal Water Resource Planner, SCV Water; Keith Abercrombie, Chief Operating Officer, SCV Water; Kathie Martin, Public Information Officer, SCV Water; Eunie Kang, Administrative Technician, SCV Water and various members of the public.

President Cooper called the meeting to order at 2:32 PM. A quorum was present.

Item 1.4: Upon motion of Vice President Kellar, seconded by Director Gladbach and carried, the Agenda was approved by the following voice votes:

Director Ariki	Yes	Vice President Kellar	Yes
Director Atkins	Absent	Director Kelly (Alternate)	Yes
President Cooper	Yes	Director Martin	Absent
Director Gladbach (Alternate)	Yes	Director Natoli	Yes
Director Gutzeit	Absent	Director Matt Stone (Alternate)	Yes

Item 2.1: Upon motion of Director Gladbach, seconded by Director Ariki and carried, Eunie Kang was appointed as Board Secretary by the following voice votes:

Director Ariki	Yes	Vice President Kellar	Yes
Director Atkins	Absent	Director Kelly (Alternate)	Yes
President Cooper	Yes	Director Martin	Absent
Director Gladbach (Alternate)	Yes	Director Natoli	Yes
Director Gutzeit	Absent	Director Matt Stone (Alternate)	Yes

Item 3: Upon motion of Vice President Kellar, seconded by Director Kelly and carried, the Board approved the Consent Calendar including Resolution No. GSA 2018-01 by the following voice votes:

Director Ariki	Yes	Vice President Kellar	Yes
Director Atkins	Absent	Director Kelly (Alternate)	Yes

President Cooper	Yes	Director Martin	Absent
Director Gladbach (Alternate)	Yes	Director Natoli	Abstain
Director Gutzeit	Absent	Director Matt Stone (Alternate)	Yes

**RESOLUTION NO. GSA 2018-01**

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
OF THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY  
SETTING THE DATE, TIME AND LOCATION OF THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY WATER  
GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY BOARD MEETINGS**

**WHEREAS**, the Santa Clarita Valley Groundwater Sustainability Agency Joint Powers Authority (SCV-GSA) was established on September 27, 2018 and the Board of Directors of SCV-GSA would like to set its regular Board meeting dates, time and principal place of business; and

**WHEREAS**, it is in the best interest of the SCV-GSA Board of Directors to establish regularly scheduled meetings to consider and review items, approve proposed actions, and provide direction; and

**WHEREAS**, all meetings will be conducted in full compliance with the Brown Act; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Directors would like to have quarterly meetings, the first Monday of every third (3rd) month at 2:30 pm for its regular meetings; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Directors may call a special meeting at any time as needed; and

**WHEREAS**, the principal place of business and location of said meetings will be held at the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency Boardroom located at 27234 Bouquet Canyon Road, Santa Clarita, CA 91350.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Directors of SCV-GSA does hereby adopt this resolution and the schedule as listed above setting the regular Board meetings to start at 2:30 pm and be held at the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency located at 27234 Bouquet Canyon Road, Santa Clarita, CA 91350 in the Agency's Boardroom.

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Item 4.1: Rick Viergutz gave an overview presentation outlining key activities for the next three (3) months to the Board:

Item 4.2: Upon motion of Director Gladbach, seconded by Vice President Kellar and carried, the Board approved staff's recommendation and adopted Resolution No. GSA 2018-02 Directing the Board President to Execute an Administrative Services Agreement with Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency to Provide Administrative, Management, and Technical Services, by the following voice votes:

Director Ariki	Yes	Vice President Kellar	Yes
Director Atkins	Absent	Director Kelly (Alternate)	Yes
President Cooper	Yes	Director Martin	Absent

Director Gladbach (Alternate)	Yes	Director Natoli	Yes
Director Gutzeit	Absent	Director Matt Stone (Alternate)	Yes

**RESOLUTION NO. GSA 2018-02**

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE  
SANTA CLARITA VALLEY GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY (SCV-GSA)  
DIRECTING THE BOARD PRESIDENT TO EXECUTE AN ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES  
AGREEMENT WITH SANTA CLARITA VALLEY WATER AGENCY (SCV WATER)**

**WHEREAS**, the members of the Santa Clarita Valley Groundwater Sustainability Agency (SCV-GSA) executed a Joint Powers Agreement (JPA Agreement) effective September 27, 2018; and

**WHEREAS**, the JPA Agreement contains details regarding powers, membership, board, meetings, member contributions, voting, budget, and other details; and

**WHEREAS**, the JPA Agreement indicates that, unless otherwise determined by the SCV-GSA Board of Directors, SCV Water, under a separate Administrative Services Agreement with the SCV-GSA (Admin Agreement), will manage the administrative operations of the SCV-GSA and the development of the Groundwater Sustainability Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, the Admin Agreement requires SCV Water to provide staff resources to administer the operations of the SCV-GSA and authorizes SCV Water to contract directly with consultants and other parties to carry out the direction of the SCV-GSA Board, including the development and implantation of the Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP); and

**WHEREAS**, the execution of the Admin Agreement by SCV-GSA and SCV Water will enable the SCV-GSA to carry out the work necessary to comply with the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act, including the preparation of the GSP and securing of grant funds to assist with such.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Board of Directors, the governing body of the Santa Clarita Valley Groundwater Sustainability Agency, resolves and orders as follows:

1. The SCV GSA Board President is directed to execute an Administrative Services Agreement with SCV Water to perform General Services and secure Consultant Services in order to administer the SCV-GSA and develop and implement the Groundwater Sustainability Plan.

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Item 4.3: Upon motion of Director Natoli, seconded by Director Kelly and carried, the Board approved staff's recommendation and adopted Resolution No. GSA 2018-03 Authorizing the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency to Execute a Grant Agreement on Behalf of the Santa Clarita Valley Groundwater Sustainability Agency with the California Department of Water Resources, by the following voice votes:

Director Ariki	Yes	Vice President Kellar	Yes
Director Atkins	Absent	Director Kelly (Alternate)	Yes

President Cooper	Yes	Director Martin	Absent
Director Gladbach (Alternate)	Yes	Director Natoli	Yes
Director Gutzeit	Absent	Director Matt Stone (Alternate)	Yes

**RESOLUTION NO. GSA 2018-03**

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE  
SANTA CLARITA VALLEY GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY (SCV-GSA)  
AUTHORIZING THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY WATER AGENCY (SCV WATER) TO  
EXECUTE A GRANT AGREEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE SCV-GSA WITH THE  
CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES FOR PREPARATION OF  
PORTIONS OF A GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY PLAN (GSP), AND REQUIRING  
COMPLETION OF A SCV-GSA BOARD ADOPTED FINAL GSP**

**WHEREAS**, Castaic Lake Water Agency (CLWA), along with the City of Santa Clarita, the County of Los Angeles, Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 36, Newhall County Water District and the Santa Clarita Water Division jointly formed the Santa Clarita Valley Groundwater Sustainability Agency (SCV-GSA) through a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) on May 24, 2017; and

**WHEREAS**, the MOU required that the parties cooperate and coordinate in pursuing State of California grant and loan funding opportunities that may apply to carrying out the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA); and

**WHEREAS**, in November 2017, following adoption of Resolutions by the SCV-GSA and CLWA, CLWA applied for a Proposition 1 grant on behalf of the SCV-GSA for preparation of portions of a Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) that would be made part of a SCV-GSA adopted Final GSP; and

**WHEREAS**, the grant provides significant funding for critical portions of the GSP and also requires that the full GSP be completed; and

**WHEREAS**, on January 1, 2018, the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency (SCV Water) was formed and is the successor to Castaic Lake Water Agency, the Santa Clarita Water Division, and Newhall County Water District, pursuant to Senate Bill 634, Chapter 833 (SB 634); and

**WHEREAS**, following formation of SCV Water the members to the MOU were then SCV Water, the City of Santa Clarita, the County of Los Angeles, and Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 36; and

**WHEREAS**, on April 4, 2018, the Department of Water Resources notified CLWA that its application for grant funds on behalf of the SCV-GSA was conditionally awarded \$416,106; and

**WHEREAS**, the members to the MOU developed a Joint Powers Agreement and Administrative Services Agreement to form the SCV-GSA Joint Powers Authority; and

**WHEREAS**, the members of the Santa Clarita Valley Groundwater Sustainability Agency (SCV-GSA) executed a Joint Powers Agreement (JPA Agreement) effective September 27, 2018; and

**WHEREAS**, under the Administrative Services Agreement, SCV Water will administer the conditions of the grant on behalf of the SCV-GSA Joint Powers Authority; and

**WHEREAS**, with creation of SCV Water and formation of the SCV-GSA Joint Powers Authority, DWR has requested SCV Water and the SCV-GSA prepare revised resolutions to authorize execution the grant agreement; and

**WHEREAS**, on October 2, 2018, the SCV-GSA Board of Directors will consider adopting a Resolution authorizing SCV Water, consistent with the Joint Powers Agreement and Administrative Services Agreement, to execute and administer the Proposition 1 grant for preparation of portions of a GSP, which also requires completion of a SCV-GSA Board adopted final GSP, and provision of the local cost share; and

**WHEREAS**, SCV-Water commits to administering the grant and funding the local cost share consistent with the fully executed Joint Powers Agreement and Administrative Services Agreement.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Board of Directors, the governing body of the Santa Clarita Valley Groundwater Sustainability Agency, resolves and orders as follows:

1. The General Manager of SCV Water is authorized and directed to enter into and execute an agreement with DWR on behalf of the SCV GSA to receive a grant under the 2017 Sustainable Groundwater Planning Grant pursuant to the Water Quality, Supply, and Infrastructure Improvement Act of 2014 (Proposition 1) (Water Code Section 79700 et. seq.) for project components supporting planning and development of the GSP and requiring completion of a SCV-GSA Board adopted final GSP.

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Item 6: Upon motion of Director Kelly, seconded by Vice President Kellar and carried, the meeting was adjourned at 3:10 PM by the following voice votes:

Director Ariki	Yes	Vice President Kellar	Yes
Director Atkins	Absent	Director Kelly (Alternate)	Yes
President Cooper	Yes	Director Martin	Absent
Director Gladbach (Alternate)	Yes	Director Natoli	Yes
Director Gutzeit	Absent	Director Matt Stone (Alternate)	Yes

  
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 Eunie Kang, Board Secretary

ATTEST:

  
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 William P. Luapp  
 President of the Board