

Minutes of the Special Board Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Santa Clarita Valley Groundwater Sustainability Agency – November 23, 2021

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A special board meeting of the Board of Directors of the Santa Clarita Valley Groundwater Sustainability Agency (SCV-GSA) was held via web and teleconference at 2:30 PM on Tuesday, November 23, 2021. A copy of the Agenda is inserted in the Minute Book of the SCV-GSA preceding these minutes.

DIRECTORS PRESENT: B.J. Atkins, William C. Cooper, Jason Gibbs, Jerry Gladbach (Alternate), Gary Martin, Gina Natoli, David Rydman (Alternate)

DIRECTORS ABSENT: Russ Bryden, Maria Gutzeit

Also present via web and teleconference: SCV-GSA General Counsel Tom Bunn, SCV-GSA Board Secretary Eunie Kang, SCV Water; Assistant General Manager Steve Cole, Director of Water Resources Dirk Marks, Principal Water Resource Planner Rick Viergutz, Communications Manager Kathie Martin, Tara Bravo CV Strategies, Jeff Barry GSI Water Solutions, Inc.; and various members of the public.

President Natoli called the meeting to order at 2:34 PM. A quorum was present.

Item 1.3: There was no public comment.

Item 1.4: Upon motion of Director Martin, seconded by Director Atkins and carried, the Agenda was approved by the following roll call votes:

Director Atkins	Yes	Director Martin	Yes
Director Cooper	Yes	President Natoli	Yes
Director Gibbs	Yes	Director Rydman	Abstain
Director Gladbach	Yes		

Item 2.1: Upon motion of Director Gladbach, seconded by Director Atkins and carried, the Board approved the Continuation of Remote Meetings as described in Assembly Bill 361 by the following roll call votes:

Director Atkins	Yes	Director Martin	Yes
Director Cooper	No	President Natoli	Yes
Director Gibbs	Yes	Director Rydman	Yes
Director Gladbach	Yes		

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Item 3: Upon motion of Director Martin, seconded by Director Atkins and carried, the Board approved the Consent Calendar by the following roll call votes:

Director Atkins	Yes	Director Martin	Yes
Director Cooper	Yes	President Natoli	Yes
Director Gibbs	Yes	Director Rydman	Abstain
Director Gladbach	Abstain		

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Item 4.1: Rick Viergutz and Jeff Barry presented an overview of the Sustainable Management Criteria for Groundwater-Surface Water Interactions and Triggers for Groundwater Dependent Ecosystems (GDEs). The presentation described the use of the GDE evaluation process, including timing considerations for evaluating GDEs, implementation of management actions, including reduction or redistribution of groundwater extraction, and the resulting temporal response in groundwater elevations.

There was public comment on item 4.1.

Item 4.2: Rick Viergutz and Jeff Barry presented to the Board draft responses to public comments received on the Draft Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) and the additional outreach and public engagement efforts.

There was public comment on item 4.2.

Item 4.3: Upon motion of Director Gladbach, seconded by Director Rydman and carried, the Board approved Director Gary Martin as the Voting Delegate and Director William Cooper as the Alternate Voting Delegate for the SCV-GSA Board at the Association of California Water Agency (ACWA) Election for the 2022-2023 Term by the following roll call votes:

Director Atkins	Yes	Director Martin	Yes
Director Cooper	Yes	President Natoli	Yes
Director Gibbs	Absent	Director Rydman	Yes
Director Gladbach	Yes		

Item 4.4: Upon motion of Director Gladbach, seconded by Director Cooper and carried, the Board authorized the letter of Support for Santa Clarita Valley Agency's Saugus 3 & 4 Wells Project Grant Application by the following roll call votes:

Director Atkins	Yes	Director Martin	Yes
Director Cooper	Yes	President Natoli	Yes
Director Gibbs	Absent	Director Rydman	Yes
Director Gladbach	Yes		

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Item 5: Director Atkins requested a continuous update on the status of the Bouquet Canyon Creek.

Item 6: The meeting was adjourned at 4:48 PM.

DocuSigned by:

*Eunie Kang*

Eunie Kang, Board Secretary

ATTEST:

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*Maria Gutzeit*

President of the Board