

Minutes of the Special Board Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Santa Clarita Valley Groundwater Sustainability Agency – June 30, 2022

A special board meeting of the Board of Directors of the Santa Clarita Valley Groundwater Sustainability Agency (SCV-GSA) was held in person at 2:30 PM on Thursday, June 30, 2022. A copy of the Agenda is inserted in the Minute Book of the SCV-GSA preceding these minutes.

DIRECTORS PRESENT: B.J. Atkins, Russ Bryden, William C. Cooper, Maria Gutzeit, Gary Martin, Gina Natoli,

DIRECTORS ABSENT: Jason Gibbs

Also present in person: 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, Jeff Barry GSI Water Solutions, Inc.; and various members of the public.

President Gutzeit called the meeting to order at 2:31 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	President Gutzeit	Yes
Vice President Bryden	Yes	Director Martin	Yes
Director Cooper	Yes	Director Natoli	Yes
Director Gibbs	Absent		

Item 2.1: Upon motion of Director Atkins, seconded by Director Martin and carried, the Board approved the Consent Calendar by the following roll call votes:

Director Atkins	Yes	President Gutzeit	Yes
Vice President Bryden	Yes	Director Martin	Yes
Director Cooper	Yes	Director Natoli	Yes
Director Gibbs	Absent		

Item 3.1: Rick Viergutz presented a quarterly status report of the Groundwater Sustainability Plan (SGMA) Implementation Activities.

Topic covered:

- Public comment period to DWR on adopted GSP is closed
- Annual Report
- Addressing data gaps
- Monitoring, reporting, and outreach
- Promoting best water use practices
- Fiscal and Grants

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- Consultant proposals

Item 3.2: Rick Viergutz provided an update of the Sustainable Groundwater Management Grant Application (SGMSP)

GSA member agency representatives are encouraged to evaluate options for a grant application. If member agencies feel a strong candidate project or projects exist, staff will bring an item to the SCV-GSA Board at its next regular scheduled meeting for discussion and decision making about moving forward with a grant application.

Item 3.3: Rick Viergutz presented an addendum to the Santa Clara River Valley East Groundwater Subbasin Groundwater Sustainability Plan 2021 Annual Report.

Topic covered:

- 5/5 basin conditions are above the minimum thresholds and the basin is being operated sustainably.
- Groundwater Elevation, Groundwater Storage, and Land Subsidence
- Depletion of Interconnected Surface Water
- Degraded Groundwater Quality

We have advised the Department of Water Resources (DWR) that additional data has been reviewed and the data gap in our first annual report filled. DWR has provided direction for submitting data next year.

SCV Water is moving forward with a program to select and sample private wells. In addition, piezometers have been installed to monitor groundwater levels within the GDE area and land surface elevation control points are being established to monitor for subsidence in coordination with LA County Department of Public Works.

Item 3.4: Upon motion of Director Cooper seconded by Director Martin and carried, the Board approved the SCV-GSA Fiscal Year 2022/23 Budget and authorize the contract with GSI Water Solutions to support the GSP, subject to future reevaluation of the Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement (JPA) annual member contributions, by the following roll call votes:

Director Atkins	Yes	President Gutzeit	Yes
Vice President Bryden	Yes	Director Martin	Yes
Director Cooper	Yes	Director Natoli	Yes
Director Gibbs	Absent		

Item 3.5: Steve Cole provided an update on the status of the Bouquet Canyon Creek efforts.

Item 3.6: Upon motion of Director Natoli seconded by Director Cooper and carried, the Board approved of the Resolution No. 2022-02 Rescheduling the Regular Santa Clarita Valley Groundwater Sustainability Agency Board Meetings by the following roll call votes:

Director Atkins	Yes	President Gutzeit	Yes
Vice President Bryden	Yes	Director Martin	Yes
Director Cooper	Yes	Director Natoli	Yes
Director Gibbs	Absent		

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Item 4: No future agenda items requested

Item 5: The meeting was adjourned at 4:19 PM.

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Eunie Kang

Eunie Kang, Board Secretary

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Maria Gutzeit

President of the Board