

Minutes of the Special Board Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Santa Clarita Valley Groundwater Sustainability Agency – July 27, 2023

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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 in person at 2:30 PM on Thursday, July 27, 2023. A copy of the Agenda is inserted in the Minute Book of the SCV-GSA preceding these minutes.

DIRECTORS PRESENT: Russ Bryden, Jeff Ford (Alternate for William C. Cooper), Maria Gutzeit, Gary Martin, Gina Natoli, Piotr Orzechowski, Laurene Weste (Alternate for Jason Gibbs)

DIRECTORS ABSENT: Jason Gibbs and William C. Cooper

Also present in person: SCV-GSA General Counsel Tom Bunn, SCV-GSA Board Secretary Eunie Kang; SCV Water Agency Assistant General Manager Steve Cole, Principal Water Resource Planner Rick Viergutz, Communications Manager Kevin Strauss and various members of the public.

President Bryden called the meeting to order at 2:30 PM. A quorum was present.

Item 1.3: There was no public comment.

Item 1.4: There were no changes to the July 27, 2023 Board Agenda and it was accepted as presented.

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Item 2: Upon motion of Director Gutzeit, seconded by Director Orzechowski and carried, the Board approved the Consent Calendar by the following roll call votes:

President Bryden	Yes	Director Natoli	Yes
Director Ford	Abstain	Director Orzechowski	Yes
Director Gutzeit	Yes	Director Weste	Yes
Vice President Martin	Yes		

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Item 3.1: Upon motion of Director Gutzeit, seconded by Director Ford and carried, the Board adopted the New or Replacement Well Review Process Required by Governor’s Executive Order N-3-23 with the recommended changes made by Director Natoli by the following roll call votes:

President Bryden	Yes	Director Natoli	Yes
Director Ford	Yes	Director Orzechowski	Yes
Director Gutzeit	Yes	Director Weste	Yes
Vice President Martin	Yes		

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Item 4: Steve Cole reported on the following:


- Bouquet Canyon Creek – On August 24, 2023, the Wildlife Conservation Board is set to consider the grant application for the Bouquet Canyon Creek Recovery Project. The grant amount of \$12,067.00 will help fund for planning, design, and environmental compliance.
- CEMEX Mine Application of Appropriation of Water – Assemblywoman Pilar Schiavo bill, AB 1631, would require the State Water Resources Control Board to reopen the protest period for applications by a mine that are still pending for 30 years or more. This would allow for additional protests in the Cemex application.

Item 5: No future agenda items requested.

Item 6: The meeting was adjourned at 3:07 PM.

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Eunie Kang, Board Secretary

ATTEST:

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Russ Bryden  
President of the Board