



MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS HELD JULY 8, 2024

At approximately 1:00 p.m. on July 8, 2024, at KDWCD, 2975 N. Farmersville Blvd., Farmersville California, Chairman Chris Tantau of the Greater Kaweah GSA called to order a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Greater Kaweah Groundwater Sustainability Agency Joint Powers Authority (“GKGSA”).

Directors	Pete Vander Poel Paul Boyer Chris Tantau Brian Watte	Joe Cardoza Ernie Taylor Clinton Church Jeff Ritchie (Alt.)
Directors Absent:	Eric Shannon	Stephen Johnson
Also Present:	Mark Larsen Aubrey Mauritson David De Groot Shawn Corley Blake Mauritson Rachel Glauser	Shane Smith Don Tucker Geoff Vanden Heuvel Craig Hornung Diana Zegarra Lisa McKewen

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chairman Tantau opened the meeting for public comment.

CORRESPONDENCE AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Miscellaneous Items

General Manager Larsen had no report on miscellaneous items.

2023 Water Year Invoicing Update

General Manager Larsen provided a report on invoicing. He indicated invoices are due at the end of this month. Currently, the GSA has received about \$1.8 million in penalty collections.

Discussion ensued.

Water Sale Forum Development Date

General Manager Larsen provided a report. Efforts on the water sale forum development continue. The direction is not to connect to the Dashboard, but to provide a simple mechanism to connect landowners with one another.

Program Coordinator Ruiz reported the program is anticipated to be done by August 1.

Discussion ensued.

GSA Reports and Committee Discussion

Combined Rural Communities & Stakeholder Committees

June 24, 2024, Cancelled

General Manager Larsen advised that the June 24, 2024, meeting was cancelled.

Next Combined Meeting July 22, 2024 at 1:30 p.m.

General Manager Larsen advised that the next combined meeting of the Rural Communities and Stakeholder Committees will be held on July 22, 2024, at 1:30 p.m.

Technical Advisory Committee

Summary of June 20, 2024, Cancelled

General Manager Larsen advised that the June 20, 2024, meeting was cancelled.

Next Meeting Scheduled for July 18, 2024

General Manager Larsen advised that the next meeting of the Technical Advisory Committee will be held on July 18, 2024 at 1:30 p.m.

Kaweah Subbasin Management

Grants

General Manager Larsen advised that there were no matters to report.

LandIQ/Dashboard

General Manager Larsen advised that there were no matters to report.

Kaweah Subbasin Management Team Status

General Manager Larsen advised that there were no matters to report.

KAWEAH SUBBASIN GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY PLANS

Status Report on Draft Amended GSP for 30-Day Public Comment

General Manager Larsen provided a report. Two State Board hosted workshops occurred this past month with one being virtual and one being in person. The GSAs also authorized releasing draft GSPs for public review on June 13, 2024.

In addition, two tours were hosted by the Kaweah Subbasin for State Board Members and Staff.

Discussion ensued.

Public comment from Craig Hornung.

Status Report on Process of Addressing State Board GSP Deficiencies

General Manager Larsen provided a report. Efforts continue on additional revisions to the GSP including items not previously revised related to groundwater quality and interconnected surface waters.

Status on Subbasin Technical Work. Review, Discuss and Advise Staff on Sustainable Management Criteria (SMC) for Groundwater Quality and Interconnected Surface Water

Don Tucker of 4Creeks, provided a report on updates specific to groundwater quality.

Discussion ensued.

Tom Harder provided a report on updates specific to Interconnected Surface Waters.

Discussion ensued.

Tom Harder continued with his report. He indicated there is significant data gaps regarding this subject.

Discussion continued.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Consider Approval of Minutes for the June 10, 2024, Board Meeting, and June 13, 2024, Conjoined Meeting Minutes

General Manager Larsen referred the Board to Agenda Item #4a, a copy of the June 10, 2024, minutes, which are attached hereto and incorporated by reference. General Manager Larsen referred the Board to Agenda Item #4b, a copy of the minutes June 13, 2024, which are attached hereto and incorporated by reference.

Director Watte moved and Director Ritchie seconded to approve the June 10, 2024, minutes and June 13, 2024 minutes. The Board unanimously approved the motion.

LAND-BASED ASSESSMENT RESOLUTIONS ANNUAL FOLLOW UP ACTION ITEMS

Consider Approval of Two Resolutions for County of Tulare and County of Kings Each, Establishing the Assessment Rate

General Manager Larsen referred the Board to Agenda Item #5a and 5b, copies of the Resolutions for County of Tulare and County of Kings each, Establishing the Assessment Rate, which are attached hereto and incorporated by reference.

Discussion ensued.

Director Vander Poel moved and Director Boyer seconded to approve the County of Tulare Resolution, Establishing the Assessment Rate of \$10 per acre. The motion was unanimously approved.

Director Vander Poel moved and Director Church seconded to approve the County of Kings, Establishing the Assessment Rate of \$10 per acre. The motion was unanimously approved.

Follow Up Discussion and Action on any Other Related County Filing Items Needed to Set the Assessment

General Manager Larsen advised that there were no matters to discuss. Matt Klinchuch of P&P continues to assist with any related county filing item needs.

JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT AMENDMENT

Status Report (Second Amended Agreement to Form a Joint Powers Authority Circulating for Approval

General Manager Larsen provided a report. He advised that we are waiting on a few entities to approve and expect that to occur this month.

BYLAWS

Status Report

Chairman Tantau reported that we are still waiting for the approval of the JPA before proceeding with consideration of the revised Bylaws. As a result, no action was taken.

FINANCIALS

Consider Approval of the Quarterly Financial Report for the Quarter Ending June 30, 2024

General Manager Larsen reported financials are delayed as a result of the significant collection of penalty revenue. As a result, there was no consideration of the Financial Report.

WATER YEAR 2025 ALLOCATION

Status Report

Consulting Engineer Dave De Groot provided a status report. The technical group has delayed announcing Water Year 2025's allocation as a result of continued work on the revised GSP and specifically work done to the Subbasin model. The work related to the model is needed to ensure the upcoming allocations are in line with proposed Sustainable Management Criteria.

Discussion ensued.

Consulting Engineer Dave De Groot continued with his report on the establishment of allocations and related needs to finish the modeling.

Public comment from Geoff Vanden Heuvel.

Discussion continued.

Public comment from Johnny Gailey.

GREATER LAND FOLLOWING PROGRAM

Review and Discussion 2024 Program

General Manager Larsen provided an update. Efforts continue on attempts to schedule a meeting to finalize the program for the upcoming year.

Discussion ensued.

MITIGATION

Status Report

General Manager Larsen provided a report. The collaboration with SHE continues to go very well.

Consider Ratification of Domestic Well Mitigation Agreement with Self-Help Enterprises

General Manager Larsen provided a report. Attached hereto and incorporated by reference as Agenda Item #12b is a copy of the Agreement.

Discussion ensued.

Director Cardoza moved to ratify the Domestic Well Mitigation Agreement with Self-Help Enterprises. Director Vander Poel seconded, and the board unanimously approved the motion, with the exception of Director Boyer who recused himself from the vote.

WELL PROJECTS

Status Report

General Manager Larsen provided a report. Previously the board approved moving forward with a new monitoring well. Efforts continue to develop the monitoring wells. The board also previously approved an early pilot well mitigation program with SHE. The hope is to have the well drilled pursuant to the early pilot program by the end of this month.

Tom Harder reported on the development of the monitoring well.

Discussion ensued.

NEXT MEETING DATE

Scheduled Meeting Monday, August 12, 2024 at 1:00 P.M.

Chairman Tantau announced the next regular meeting of the Groundwater Sustainability Agency will commence on Monday, August 12, 2024, at 1:00 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

[Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2)]

Number of Potential Cases: One

The Board of Directors did not adjourn to closed session.

ADJOURNMENT

As there was no further business to come before the Board of Directors, the meeting was concluded.

Mark Larsen, Secretary