



MEMORANDUM

FROM: Mark Larsen

DATE: July 27, 2026

SUBJECT: Combined RCC and Stakeholder Committee Summary

Meeting Overview

The Combined Rural Communities Committee and Stakeholder Committee of the Greater Kaweah Groundwater Sustainability Agency (GKGSA) met on July 27, 2026. The Committees approved the February 23, 2026 meeting minutes and received updates regarding collections, potential changes to the tiered-water program, voluntary water-credit retirement, dry-well mitigation, subsidence management, monitoring wells, management areas, well registration, and water-transfer policy.

Public Comment

The meeting opened with an opportunity for public comment on items not listed on the agenda. No public comments were received.

Approval of Minutes

The Committees unanimously approved the February 23, 2026 meeting minutes as presented.

Greater Administration

Staff reported that collection efforts for 2023 invoicing were nearing completion and approximately 24 liens had been initiated. Staff expects the lien process for 2025 invoices to begin sooner than in prior years and discussed the possible use of the County tax roll for future unpaid charges.

The Committees also held an extensive discussion regarding potential changes to the tiered-water program. Staff described a concept under which GKGSA could purchase and retire verified surface-water credits from ditch companies or other eligible sources and make an equivalent pool of water available, upon request, to growers needing additional supply.

Discussion included:

- Replacing future overdraft allocations with water already accounted for in the basin.
- Reducing outstanding carryover credits while maintaining reliability for growers transitioning toward sustainability.
- Potential annual quantities, caps, pricing, service-area limitations, and accounting requirements.
- Upper- and lower-aquifer impacts and the need to avoid moving credits into areas experiencing subsidence.

Members generally supported continued evaluation. Staff will meet with ditch companies and other water suppliers and return with additional information before the next allocation decision.

Water Credit Retirement Nonprofit

Representatives of a newly formed 501(c)(3) nonprofit presented a proposal that would allow landowners to voluntarily donate water credits for permanent retirement and potentially claim a charitable tax deduction based on an independent appraisal.

The proposal included a partnership with GKGSA for use of the Agency accounting platform and administrative support through a per-acre-foot payment or limited seed funding.

Members discussed:

- Verification that donated credits represent real, defensible water.
- Potential tax, appraisal, audit, and accounting issues.

- Whether an initial program should be limited to native yield or other clearly verified credits.
- Fairness to all landowners and coordination with other GKGSA credit-purchase programs.

The Committees expressed interest in the proposal as an additional management tool and supported bringing it back for further discussion after legal, accounting, and program details are developed.

Greater Mitigation Plan

Staff reported that the dry-well mitigation program remains active in coordination with Self-Help Enterprises. Four wells have been drilled or are in the drilling process. Each claim requires case-by-case review because of unique circumstances, including ownership changes and evidence of conditions predating 2015.

Subsidence, Monitoring and Management

Staff and consultant Tom Harder summarized a July 21 meeting with the Department of Water Resources (DWR) regarding the amended Groundwater Sustainability Plan and subsidence management.

DWR emphasized:

- Protection of critical infrastructure.
- Use of critical-head groundwater elevations in evaluating subsidence.
- A clear response if minimum thresholds are exceeded.
- Development of an adaptive management and mitigation plan.

Mr. Harder reviewed mapped subsidence conditions and critical infrastructure potentially affected by differential subsidence, including waterways, canals, pipelines, and transportation facilities. Approximately 40 to 50 percent of the allowable subsidence identified in the GSP has occurred in portions of the subbasin, although rates have generally slowed since 2023.

Members discussed flooding, residual subsidence, mitigation reserves, trigger points for management actions, and the need for a defined response before minimum thresholds are reached or exceeded.

Monitoring updates included:

- Five pressure transducers are installed in existing wells: three in Priority Area 1 and two in Priority Area 2.
- Installation in deep production wells remains difficult because of well construction and access limitations.
- Five bids were received for a dedicated monitoring well at the Herbert Preserve and are under evaluation.
- Additional potential monitoring-well sites in Priority Area 1 are being pursued.

Management-area concepts are moving away from small section-based areas toward larger regional areas with more unified performance criteria. Staff will continue coordination with the Technical Advisory Committee, neighboring GSAs, and DWR before presenting refined concepts for review.

Subbasin Well Registration

Staff reported that approximately 2,000 wells had been registered as of July 27, compared with an estimated 8,000 to 9,000 wells. The registration deadline was July 13, 2026.

Staff is working with the dashboard developer to establish a noncompliance indicator and related restrictions. Landowners who do not register may be unable to purchase additional water, transfer water, or participate in GKGSA programs until compliance is achieved.

Discussion focused on data quality, minimum information needed for compliance, county well records, completion reports, and staff quality assurance. Owner information and an accurate well location were identified as the most important initial data points.

Groundwater Sustainability Plans and Status Report

No separate GSP status report was presented. The Committees discussed monitoring water transfers by zone, particularly where transferred credits may increase lower-aquifer pumping or subsidence. Staff noted that the Rules and Regulations allow GKGSA to respond to localized problems and that future management areas may restrict transfers into subsiding zones.

Members also discussed municipal pumping, treated wastewater use, recharge, injection or aquifer-storage concepts, and the need to locate and operate projects in ways that reduce pumping impacts in subsidence-prone areas.

Next Meeting

The Committees will continue meeting as needed, with the next meeting anticipated in August 2026. Future agendas are expected to continue focused, in-depth discussions of priority management issues.



MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS HELD JULY 13, 2026

At approximately 1:00 p.m. on July 13, 2026, at GKGSA, 227 N. West Street, Visalia, 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	Chris Tantau Pete Vander Poel Jared De Groot Joe Cardoza Shawn Corely (alt)	Eric Shannon Andrew Brazil Dave VanGronigen Paul Boyer
Directors Absent:	Stephen Johnson Brian Watte	Clinton Church
Also Present:	Mark Larsen Aubrey Mauritson David DeGroot Luis Verdugo Shane Smith Don Tucker Geoff Vanden Heuvel Tom Harder Paul Nunez	Rhett Anderson Craig Hornung Madalyn Vieira Brian Brown Curtis Travioli Matt Hutchinson Marty Toomey Jason Mendes

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chairman Tantau opened the meeting for public comment. No comment was presented.

CORRESPONDENCE AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Miscellaneous Items

General Manager Larsen announced Madalyn Vieira as the new General Manager for Kings County Water District.

GSA REPORTS AND COMMITTEE DISCUSSION

Committees and Activities

Technical Advisory Committee

June 18, 2026 – Canceled

General Manager Larsen advised that the TAC meeting scheduled for June 18, 2026, was canceled.

Next Meeting Scheduled for July 16, 2026

General Manager Larsen advised that the next scheduled Technical Advisory Meeting is July 16, 2026, at 1:30 p.m.

Public comment from Geoff Vanden Heuvel.

Discussion ensued.

Combined Rural Communities & Stakeholder Committees

June 22, 2026 - Canceled

General Manager Larsen advised that the Combined Rural Communities and Stakeholder Committees meeting scheduled for June 22, 2026, was canceled.

Next Meeting Scheduled for July 27, 2026

The next meeting of the combined committees will be held on July 27, 2026, at 1:30 p.m.

Kaweah Subbasin Management

Grants Status

General Manager Larsen had no report.

LandIQ/Water Dashboard Status

General Manager Larsen had no report.

MLRP Development

General Manager Larsen had no report.

CONSENT CALENDAR:

Consider Approval of Minutes for June 8, 2026, Board Meeting

General Manager Larsen referred the Board to Agenda Item #5a, a copy of the June 8, 2026, minutes, which are attached hereto and incorporated by reference.

Director Vander Poel moved and Director Shannon seconded to approve the June 8, 2026, minutes. The Board unanimously approved the motion.

GREATER KAWEAH GOVERNING BOARD

Status Report

General Manager Larsen provided a report. Mr. Larsen reported that Ms. Vieira will be the new alternate Director for Kings County Water District.

Discussion ensued.

GREATER KAWEAH TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TAC)

Status Report

Chairman Tantau provided a report.

Discussion ensued.

Public comment from Craig Hornung.

Discussion continued.

Consider Appointment of TAC Chair and Vice Chair

Director Vander Poel moved and Director Shannon seconded to appoint Director Watte as Chairman to the TAC and Director Johnson as Vice Chair. The Board unanimously approved the motion.

GREATER KAWEAH FINANCIAL

Status Report

General Manager Larsen provided a report.

Discussion ensued.

Consider Approval of Greater Kaweah GSA – Final Budget For Fiscal Year 2026-2027,
Tulare County, Fund No. 741

General Manager Larsen provided a report. Attached hereto and incorporated by reference as Agenda Item 8b is a copy of the Final Budget for Fiscal Year 2026-2027, Tulare County, Fund No. 741.

Discussion ensued.

Director Vander Poel moved and Director Shannon seconded to approve the Final Budget for Fiscal Year 2026-2027, Tulare County, Fund No. 741 as presented in the agenda packet. The board unanimously approved.

GREATER KAWEAH DASHBOARD INVOICING

Status Report

Program Manager Ruiz provided a report. Ms. Ruiz stated there is currently about \$7,000,000.00 in outstanding accounts. She noted most of those accounts are surface water holders. A reminder email will go out today.

Discussion ensued.

GREATER KAWEAH WY 2027 ALLOCATION

Status Report – Allocation

General Manager Larsen provided a report. Attached hereto as Agenda Item 10a&b is a copy of 4Creeks Tech Memo regarding the 2027 allocations. Don Tucker provided a presentation on the Tech Memo.

Discussion ensued.

Status Report – Penalty Rate for Tier Water

General Manager Larsen provided a report.

Discussion ensued.

Public comment from Brian Brown.

Discussion continued.

Public comment from Geoff Vanden Heuvel.

Discussion ensued.

GREATER KAWEAH WATER CREDIT MANAGEMENT

Status Report

General Manager Larsen provided a report. Staff continues to explore options regarding buying credits.

Discussion ensued.

Consider Approval of Policy Options to Reduce Water Credits

No action was taken.

Presentation – Water For Tomorrow, a Project to Donate and Retire Credits

Curtis Travioli, Jason Mendes, and Brian Brown provided a presentation regarding Water for Tomorrow. Attached hereto and incorporated by reference as Agenda Item 11c is a copy of his presentation.

Discussion ensued.

Public comments from Craig Hornung and Geoff Vanden Heuvel.

Discussion continued.

GREATER KAWEAH WATER PURCHASE

Consider Ratification of CVP Water Purchases

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

Discussion ensued.

Director Vander Poel moved and Director Shannon seconded to ratify the CVP water purchase agreements as presented in the agenda packet. The board unanimously approved.

Discussion continued.

GREATER KAWEAH MITIGATION PLAN

Status Report

General Manager Larsen provided a report. Don Tucker provided a PowerPoint presentation attached hereto and incorporated by reference as Agenda Item 13b regarding claim PID -25035.

Discussion ensued.

Public comment from Rhett Anderson.

Consider Approval of Current Pilot – Dry Well Mitigation Claim(s)

No action was taken.

GREATER KAWEAH WELL REGISTRATION

Status Report – Wells Registered and QA/QC Process

Program Coordinator Ross provided a status report. 1,931 wells are currently registered. Staff is spending significant time reviewing.

Discussion ensued.

GREATER KAWEAH MONITORING WELL NETWORK

Status Report and Update from Thomas Harder & Company on Priority Monitoring Well Locations

Mr. Harder provided a status report. Three transducers have been installed in Priority Area 3. A number of sites are under evaluation for future locations.

Discussion ensued.

Bid Process for Constructing Monitoring Well at Herbert Preserve

Mr. Harder reported the bid process is complete.

Discussion ensued.

GREATER KAWEAH SUBSIDENCE MONITORING, DATA, AND MANAGEMENT

Status Report and Review and Advise Staff on the Management Area Development Plan and Schedule

Tom Harder provided a report. A lot of focus has been on the upcoming meeting with DWR regarding subsidence.

Mr. Larsen reported a meeting with the surface water entities had occurred regarding potential management areas. Discussions continue.

MID-KAWEAH TASK ORDER AMENDMENTS

Status Report

General Manager Larsen provided a report. He noted the board reviewed Task Orders 10 and 16 last month. A new Task Order is presented this month regarding the Groundwater Model update. He recommends the board taken action on all three Task Orders.

Discussion ensued.

Consider Approval of Task Order 10 Data Management System Amendment 3 – (To Be Managed by Cost Share Agreement; Task Order 16 Land Subsidence Core Team Amendment 4A – (To Be Managed by Cost Share Agreement; and 2026 – 2027 Groundwater Model Update Scope of Work (To Be Managed By Cost Share Agreement

Director Cardoza moved and Director Shannon seconded to approve all three Task Orders as presented in the agenda packet. The Board unanimously approved the motion.

KAWEAH SUBBASIN GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY PLANS (GSPs)

Status Report and Review Current, Completed and Scheduled Projects and Management Actions (PMAs)

General Manager Larsen provided a report. Attached hereto and incorporated by reference is a spreadsheet of current projects and management actions.

Discussion ensued.

KAWEAH-TULE GROUNDWATER EXCHANGE PROJECT

Status Report

General Manager Larsen provided a report. As mentioned last month, a pre-feasibility report has been completed and is still under review by all.

Discussion ensued.

GREATER KAWEAH STANDING COMMITTEES

Consider Specific Request for Committee Input, Recommendation, or Feedback

Rural Communities Committee (RCC) and Stakeholder Committee (SC)

The board recommended the following topics be subject of a future RCC and SC meeting:

- Credit retirement;
- The Land Fallowing Program; and

- Potentially subsidence based on the outcome of the meeting with DWR.

Discussion ensued.

Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)

As the TAC will not meet this month, agenda items were not discussed.

NEXT MEETING DATE

Scheduled Meeting August 10, 2026, at 1:00 p.m.

Chairman Tantau announced that the next regular meeting of the Groundwater Sustainability Agency will commence on Monday, August 10, 2026, at 1:00 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

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

Number of Potential Cases: Two

The Board of Directors, while in closed session pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2), met with General Counsel Aubrey Mauritsen regarding two potential items of anticipated litigation.

CLOSED SESSION ITEM

Report Action Taken in Closed Session Required by Government Code 54957.1

The Board of Directors returned to open session. Chairman Tantau advised that there was no reportable action.

ADJOURNMENT

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

Mark Larsen, Secretary

Balance Sheet

As of June 30, 2026

Jun 30, 26**ASSETS****Current Assets****Checking/Savings**

1000 · Cash in Treasury - Fund 741	296.98
1001 · Valley Strong Business Checking	8,651,238.54
1002 · Valley Strong Money Market	2,562,580.26
1003 · Valley Strong Bus Share Savings	5,114.53
1004 · Cash in Treasury - Fund 313	706,665.50
1005 · Valley Strong Public Bus. MM	15,639,755.47

Total Checking/Savings	27,565,651.28
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Accounts Receivable

1200 · Accounts Receivable	-15,703.95
1215 · Grant Receivable	-915,067.50

Total Accounts Receivable	-930,771.45
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Other Current Assets

1201 · Assessments Receivable - TC	57,265.00
1202 · Assessments Receivable - KC	2,784.80
1500 · Due from Tulare County	166,321.71
1501 · Due from Kings County	571,004.38

Total Other Current Assets	797,375.89
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LIABILITIES & EQUITY**Liabilities****Current Liabilities****Accounts Payable**

2000 · Accounts Payable	253,269.90
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Total Accounts Payable	253,269.90
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Other Current Liabilities

2100DUP · Due to Other AgenciesDUP	4,173,871.88
2150DUP · Due to KDWCDDUP	-488,967.55
2500 · Prepaid Penalties	4,868,059.59
2501 · Unearned Revenue - KC	71,928.40
2502 · Unearned Revenue - TC	209,129.63

Total Other Current Liabilities	8,834,021.95
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Equity

3200 · Retained Earnings	12,522,884.80
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Net Income	5,822,079.07
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Total Equity	18,344,963.87
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TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	27,432,255.72
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Greater Kaweah Groundwater Sustainability Agency
Profit & Loss Budget Performance
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	Apr - Jun 26	Jan - Jun 26	Annual Budget	YTD \$ Over Budget	YTD% of Budget
Income					
4000 · Assessments					
4006 · Kings County Assessmer	171,668.71	474,172.70	490,000.00	-15,827.30	96.77%
4000 · Assessments - Other	0.00	43,643.90	0.00	43,643.90	100.0%
Total 4000 · Assessments	171,668.71	517,816.60	490,000.00	27,816.60	105.68%
4002 · Interest - KC	149,948.56	304,441.48			
4005 · Tulare County Assessments	475,824.55	1,369,990.45	1,375,000.00	-5,009.55	99.64%
4007 · GSA Non Irrigated Assesmer	0.00	651.10			
4100 · Grant Income	3,117.50	3,117.50	1,000,000.00	-996,882.50	0.31%
4150 · Miscellaneous Income	24,808.50	50,119.74	400,000.00	-349,880.26	12.53%
4200 · Penalty Fund					
4210 · Overdraft Penalty Fund	1,226,952.15	1,849,009.20	6,500,000.00	-4,650,990.80	28.45%
4220 · Carryover Water Fund	1,954,245.40	3,313,575.30	3,500,000.00	-186,424.70	94.67%
4200 · Penalty Fund - Other	-2,090.40	-2,090.40	0.00	-2,090.40	100.0%
Total 4200 · Penalty Fund	3,179,107.15	5,160,494.10	10,000,000.00	-4,839,505.90	51.61%
Total Income	4,004,474.97	7,406,630.97	13,265,000.00	-5,858,369.03	55.84%
Expense					
2100 · Due to Other Agencies	4,007.51	6,020.98			
5100 · Payroll (fully burdended)	140,684.88	278,102.07	550,000.00	-271,897.93	50.56%
5110 · Office Administration					
5111 · Supplies, Equipment, Pos	2,957.49	12,364.83	18,000.00	-5,635.17	68.69%
5112 · Publications, Notices, We	4,017.15	7,574.95	8,000.00	-425.05	94.69%
5110 · Office Administration - OI	0.00	706.92	0.00	706.92	100.0%
Total 5110 · Office Administration	6,974.64	20,646.70	26,000.00	-5,353.30	79.41%
5113 · Rent	12,000.00	24,000.00	48,000.00	-24,000.00	50.0%
5114 · Utilities	4,025.30	8,421.24	15,000.00	-6,578.76	56.14%
5115 · Equipment, Computers, Furr	3,562.49	6,224.96	1,000.00	5,224.96	622.5%
5116 · Repair & Maintenance	2,014.77	4,623.42	2,000.00	2,623.42	231.17%
5117 · Employee Training & Travel	830.44	4,154.28	3,000.00	1,154.28	138.48%
5120 · Communication, Outreach, N	186.00	372.00	20,000.00	-19,628.00	1.86%
5200 · Insurance	1,141.56	1,141.56	14,000.00	-12,858.44	8.15%
5300 · Professional Services					
5310 · Legal	15,335.00	44,349.00	250,000.00	-205,651.00	17.74%
5320 · Audit	0.00	0.00	15,000.00	-15,000.00	0.0%
5300 · Professional Services - O	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%
Total 5300 · Professional Services	15,335.00	44,349.00	265,000.00	-220,651.00	16.74%
5400 · GSP Development & Implementatio					
5401 · Dashboard Development	47,184.10	61,386.40	140,000.00	-78,613.60	43.85%
5402 · GSP Development & Upd	1,235.50	18,505.25	50,000.00	-31,494.75	37.01%
5403 · Mgmt. Actions & Policy	92,740.59	246,338.19	500,000.00	-253,661.81	49.27%
5404 · DMS Update & Managem	0.00	10,566.67	50,000.00	-39,433.33	21.13%
5405 · Annual Reporting	0.00	8,179.27	50,000.00	-41,820.73	16.36%
5406 · Engineering	55,913.70	162,224.60	400,000.00	-237,775.40	40.56%
5400 · GSP Development & Impl	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%
Total 5400 · GSP Development & Ir	197,073.89	507,200.38	1,190,000.00	-682,799.62	42.62%
5407 · Water Purchase	0.00	0.00	2,000,000.00	-2,000,000.00	0.0%
5408 · GK Land Following Expense	0.00	83,605.00	1,500,000.00	-1,416,395.00	5.57%
5409 · Well Mitigation Expenses	262.07	42,259.94	3,000,000.00	-2,957,740.06	1.41%
5410 · Subbasin Coordination	0.00	147,912.49	105,000.00	42,912.49	140.87%
5420 · Monitoring/Measuement/Data					
5421 · GW Level (Semi Annual)	0.00	0.00	15,000.00	-15,000.00	0.0%
5422 · GW Quality (Quarterly)	38,637.75	65,276.75	100,000.00	-34,723.25	65.28%
5423 · Subsidence (Annual)	24,813.75	32,532.08	200,000.00	-167,467.92	16.27%
5424 · Landowner Demand Trac	58,169.46	167,013.13	265,000.00	-97,986.87	63.02%
5425 · New Monitoring Wells	36,727.38	126,323.00	500,000.00	-373,677.00	25.27%
5426 · Well Registration	10,333.75	14,372.92	10,000.00	4,372.92	143.73%
5420 · Monitoring/Measuement/I	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%
Total 5420 · Monitoring/Measuemer	168,682.09	405,517.88	1,090,000.00	-684,482.12	37.2%
5430 · Grant Writing	0.00	0.00	30,000.00	-30,000.00	0.0%
5440 · Rate Studies, Prop 218, Prop	0.00	0.00	60,000.00	-60,000.00	0.0%
5525 · Implementation Grant	0.00	0.00	100,000.00	-100,000.00	0.0%
Total Expense	556,780.64	1,584,551.90	10,019,000.00	-8,434,448.10	15.82%
Net Income	3,447,694.33	5,822,079.07	3,246,000.00	2,576,079.07	179.36%

Greater Kaweah Groundwater Sustainability Agency
Accounts Payable by Account
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	Date	Num	Name	Memo	Amount
2100 · Due to Other Agencies					
	04/03/2026	FY2026-478	KDWCD	Jacob Salinas Misc Ex	548.97
	05/14/2026	FY2026-494	KDWCD	J Salinas	91.10
	05/14/2026	FY2026-494	KDWCD	J Salinas Misc	815.49
	05/14/2026	FY2026-494	KDWCD	Gozen Lunch Shared C	114.52
	05/14/2026	FY2026-494	KDWCD	J Salinas	37.43
	05/14/2026	FY2026-494	KDWCD	Larry Dotson	1,350.00
	06/02/2026	FY2026-500	KDWCD	Larry Dotson	1,050.00
Total 2100 · Due to Other Agencies					4,007.51
5100 · Payroll (fully burdened)					
	04/03/2026	FY2026-478	KDWCD	KDWCD Staff time	50,389.32
	05/14/2026	FY2026-494	KDWCD	KDWCD Staff time	45,180.15
	06/02/2026	FY2026-500	KDWCD	KDWCD Staff time	45,115.41
Total 5100 · Payroll (fully burdened)					140,684.88
5110 · Office Administration					
5111 · Supplies, Equipment, Postage					
	04/07/2026	ACH	Debit Card Charges	April Difference	100.00
	04/09/2026	2026-05	Valley Strong Credit Un	Mission Coffee	22.57
	04/09/2026	2026-05	Valley Strong Credit Un	Staples	68.34
	04/09/2026	2026-05	Valley Strong Credit Un	Amazon	43.09
	04/09/2026	2026-05	Valley Strong Credit Un	Wooden Indian	60.00
	04/09/2026	2026-05	Valley Strong Credit Un	Smart and Final	14.41
	04/09/2026	2026-05	Valley Strong Credit Un	VP	337.76
	04/09/2026	2026-005	Valley Strong Credit Un	Pitney Bowes	178.09
	04/09/2026	2026-005	Valley Strong Credit Un	Urbane	276.68
	04/09/2026	2026-005	Valley Strong Credit Un	Me N Eds	68.87
	04/09/2026	2026-005	Valley Strong Credit Un	Savemart	10.00
	04/09/2026	2026-005	Valley Strong Credit Un	Costco	16.98
	05/15/2026	2026-051	Valley Strong Credit Un	Home Depot	20.04
	05/15/2026	2026-0051	Valley Strong Credit Un	Nespresso	51.30
	05/15/2026	2026-0051	Valley Strong Credit Un	Subway	83.23
	05/15/2026	2026-0051	Valley Strong Credit Un	Jimmy Johns	131.00
	05/15/2026	2026-0051	Valley Strong Credit Un	Smart & Final	14.99
	05/15/2026	2026-0051	Valley Strong Credit Un	USPS	109.73
	05/15/2026	2026-0051	Valley Strong Credit Un	USPS	389.41
	05/15/2026	2026-0051	Valley Strong Credit Un	Staples	112.58
	05/15/2026	2026-0051	Valley Strong Credit Un	USPS	12.39
	05/15/2026	2026-0051	Valley Strong Credit Un	Staples	114.42
	05/15/2026	2026-0051	Valley Strong Credit Un	USPS	18.24
	05/15/2026	2026-0051	Valley Strong Credit Un	Bread Savage	54.33
	06/04/2026	2026-061	Valley Strong Credit Un	Sacramento	22.00
	06/04/2026	2026-061	Valley Strong Credit Un	Vintage Press	151.30
	06/04/2026	2026-061	Valley Strong Credit Un	Amazon	53.86
	06/04/2026	2026-061	Valley Strong Credit Un	Smart and Final	15.09
	06/04/2026	2026-061	Valley Strong Credit Un	Jimmy Johns	121.00
	06/04/2026	2026-061	Valley Strong Credit Un	El Tarasco	63.87
	06/04/2026	2026-0061	Valley Strong Credit Un	Nespresso	158.20
	06/09/2026	2026-01	Epic Print & Promo	Sierra"s New Cards	85.72
Total 5111 · Supplies, Equipment, Postage					2,979.49
5112 · Publications, Notices, Website					
	04/17/2026	INV-2026-018	Break9	Water Exchange App t	500.00
	04/17/2026	INV-2634	Break9	Water Exchange App t	500.00
	04/17/2026	INV-2634	Break9	Water Exchange esign	1,593.40
	05/14/2026	INV-2026-024	Break9	Water Exchange App t	500.00
	06/09/2026	INV-2026-034	Break9	Water Exchange App t	923.75
Total 5112 · Publications, Notices, Website					4,017.15
Total 5110 · Office Administration					6,996.64
5113 · Rent					
	04/23/2026	20260423	Bruce and Olena Tschar	Rent May	4,000.00
	05/21/2026	20260521	Bruce and Olena Tschar	Rent June	4,000.00
	06/19/2026	20260701	Bruce and Olena Tschar	Rent July	4,000.00
Total 5113 · Rent					12,000.00
5114 · Utilities					
	04/02/2026	20260401	Southern California Edis	March 2026 Electric	139.15
	04/02/2026	202604	Oacys Technology	VOIP & Hosted Web S	790.14
	04/09/2026	2026-005	Valley Strong Credit Un	Comcast	135.32
	04/09/2026	2026-005	Valley Strong Credit Un	Vivint	56.64
	04/09/2026	2026-005	Valley Strong Credit Un	Comcast	135.32
	04/23/2026	20260423	Bruce and Olena Tschar	Utilities Reimbursemen	182.85

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	05/04/2026	202605	Oacys Technology	VOIP & Hosted Web S	790.14
	05/14/2026	20260501	Southern California Edis	April 2026 Electric	106.60
	05/15/2026	2026-0051	Valley Strong Credit Univ	Vivint	56.64
	05/15/2026	2026-0051	Valley Strong Credit Univ	Comcast	135.32
	05/21/2026	20260521	Bruce and Olena Tschar	Utilities Reimbursemen	200.83
	06/03/2026	202600601	Southern California Edis	May 2026 Electric	209.24
	06/04/2026	2026-0061	Valley Strong Credit Univ	Vivint	56.64
	06/04/2026	2026-0061	Valley Strong Credit Univ	Comcast	135.32
	06/17/2026	20260617	Bruce and Olena Tschar	Utilities Reimbursemen	105.01
	06/19/2026	20260619	Oacys Technology	VOIP & Hosted Web S	790.14
Total 5114 · Utilities					4,025.30
5115 · Equipment, Computers, Furniture					
	04/09/2026	2026-005	Valley Strong Credit Univ	Microsoft	30.00
	04/09/2026	2026-005	Valley Strong Credit Univ	ChatGPT	60.00
	04/09/2026	2026-005	Valley Strong Credit Univ	Quickbooks Annual	2,210.00
	04/09/2026	2026-005	Valley Strong Credit Univ	Quickbooks ONline	38.00
	04/09/2026	2026-005	Valley Strong Credit Univ	Microsoft	17.32
	04/23/2026	41817058	Great America Financial	Printer Lease 2026 Api	215.92
	05/04/2026	20260504	Oacys Technology	Timed Billable Hours	293.05
	05/15/2026	2026-0051	Valley Strong Credit Univ	Microsoft	30.00
	05/15/2026	2026-0051	Valley Strong Credit Univ	ChatGPT	45.72
	05/15/2026	2026-0051	Valley Strong Credit Univ	Quickbooks	38.00
	05/15/2026	2026-0051	Valley Strong Credit Univ	Microsoft	17.32
	05/22/2026	2069657	Great America Financial	Printer Lease 2026 Ma	215.92
	06/03/2026	42069657	Great America Financial	Printer Lease 2026 Jur	215.92
	06/04/2026	2026-0061	Valley Strong Credit Univ	Microsoft	30.00
	06/04/2026	2026-0061	Valley Strong Credit Univ	Chat GPT	50.00
	06/04/2026	2026-0061	Valley Strong Credit Univ	Quickbooks	38.00
	06/04/2026	2026-0061	Valley Strong Credit Univ	Microsoft	17.32
Total 5115 · Equipment, Computers, Furniture					3,562.49
5116 · Repair & Maintenance					
	04/09/2026	2026-005	Valley Strong Credit Univ	Cintas	223.49
	04/09/2026	2026-005	Valley Strong Credit Univ	Pest control	50.00
	04/09/2026	2026-005	Valley Strong Credit Univ	Cintas	296.26
	04/30/2026	20260430	Advanced Landscape M:	Landscape April 2026	150.00
	05/15/2026	2026-0051	Valley Strong Credit Univ	Cintas	223.49
	05/15/2026	2026-0051	Valley Strong Credit Univ	Cintas	309.32
	05/15/2026	2026-0051	Valley Strong Credit Univ	Pest control	50.00
	06/04/2026	2026-0061	Valley Strong Credit Univ	Cintas	223.49
	06/04/2026	2026-0061	Valley Strong Credit Univ	Cintas	288.72
	06/04/2026	2026-0061	Valley Strong Credit Univ	Martin	50.00
	06/09/2026	20260609	Advanced Landscape M:	Landscape May 2026	150.00
Total 5116 · Repair & Maintenance					2,014.77
5117 · Employee Training & Travel					
	04/03/2026	202601	Sierra Rodriguez	Rodriguez Water Tour	195.24
	05/14/2026	20260501	Sierra Rodriguez	Rodriguez Water Tour	313.20
	06/03/2026	Reimb202602	Ruiz, Stephanie	Mileage Reimbursemei	300.00
Total 5117 · Employee Training & Travel					808.44
5120 · Communication, Outreach, Media					
	04/09/2026	2026-005	Valley Strong Credit Univ	constant contact	62.00
	05/15/2026	2026-0051	Valley Strong Credit Univ	Constant Contact	62.00
	06/04/2026	2026-0061	Valley Strong Credit Univ	Constant Conact	62.00
Total 5120 · Communication, Outreach, Media					186.00
5200 · Insurance					
	06/05/2026	2026-01	Vermillion & Associates	Property Insurance	1,141.56
Total 5200 · Insurance					1,141.56
5300 · Professional Services					
5310 · Legal					
	04/23/2026	163783	Ruddell, Bixler, Maurits	Legal April 2026	10,075.00
	05/27/2026	163820	Ruddell, Bixler, Maurits	Legal May 2026	3,835.00
	06/03/2026	79298 & 79298	Kahn, Soares & Conway	Services Rendered Ap	1,425.00
Total 5310 · Legal					15,335.00
Total 5300 · Professional Services					15,335.00
5400 · GSP Development & Implementatio					
5401 · Dashboard Development & Support					
	05/04/2026	4C110543	4 Creeks	ON Call Support	2,903.30
	05/04/2026	4C110543	4 Creeks	Programmer Misc Tect	367.50
	05/04/2026	4C110543	4 Creeks	Programmer	1,010.80
	05/21/2026		Margie Costamagna	Surface Water Reduce	42,902.50

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Total 5401 · Dashboard Development & Support					47,184.10
5402 · GSP Development & Updates					
	05/04/2026	4C110543	4 Creeks	Misc Tech Support	430.00
	05/04/2026	4C110543	4 Creeks	Outreach	648.00
	05/20/2026	26-251-103.4	Thomas Harder & Co.	Tech Assistance	157.50
Total 5402 · GSP Development & Updates					1,235.50
5403 · Mgmnt. Actions & Policy Dev.					
	04/09/2026	1914	Lower Tule River	Cost Share Stantec Ba	4,448.44
	04/17/2026	26-251-103.3	Thomas Harder & Co.	Meetings	600.00
	04/17/2026	26-251-103.3	Thomas Harder & Co.	Staff Meetings	22,301.25
	04/17/2026	26-251-103.3	Thomas Harder & Co.	ISW Support	2,246.25
	04/17/2026	26-251-103.3	Thomas Harder & Co.	Monitoring Wells and C	1,357.50
	04/17/2026	26-251-103.3	Thomas Harder & Co.	Well Inventory	101.25
	04/30/2026	2026-27	EKGSA	1/3 cost share annual r	9,600.00
	05/04/2026	4C110543	4 Creeks	Misc Tech Support	3,093.00
	05/05/2026	1932	Lower Tule River	Cost Share Stantec Ba	10,446.19
	05/20/2026	26-251-103.4	Thomas Harder & Co.	ISW Support	438.75
	05/20/2026	26-251-103.4	Thomas Harder & Co.	Monitoring Wells and C	618.75
	05/20/2026	26-251-103.4	Thomas Harder & Co.	Permitting Monitoring S	4,016.25
	05/20/2026	26-251-103.4	Thomas Harder & Co.	Tech Specs	543.75
	05/22/2026	2026-29	EKGSA	1/3 cost share annual r	14,251.51
	05/27/2026	2026-31	EKGSA	1/3 cost data coordinat	3,226.57
	06/05/2026	4C110960	4 Creeks	Misc Tech Support	2,472.50
	06/09/2026	1941	Lower Tule River	Cost Share Stantec Ba	7,038.63
	06/17/2026	26-251-103.5	Thomas Harder & Co.	Land Subsidence Hydr	9,603.75
	06/17/2026	26-251-103.5	Thomas Harder & Co.	ISW Support	4,938.75
	06/17/2026	26-251-103.5	Thomas Harder & Co.	Permitting	585.00
	06/17/2026	26-251-103.5	Thomas Harder & Co.	Tech Specs Prep	82.50
	06/17/2026	26-251-103.5	Thomas Harder & Co.	Support for GWQ	330.00
Total 5403 · Mgmnt. Actions & Policy Dev.					102,340.59
5406 · Engineering					
	04/17/2026	26-251-103.3	Thomas Harder & Co.	Annual Report Support	870.00
	04/17/2026	26-251-103.3	Thomas Harder & Co.	Support GAF	300.00
	04/17/2026	26-251-103.3	Thomas Harder & Co.	Model Updates	15,015.00
	04/23/2026	129747	Provost & Pritchard	Farmersville Fill Stator	995.90
	05/04/2026	4C110543	4 Creeks	Staff Meetings	3,544.00
	05/04/2026	4C110543	4 Creeks	Staff Meetings	215.00
	05/20/2026	26-251-103.4	Thomas Harder & Co.	well sites	2,080.30
	05/20/2026	26-251-103.4	Thomas Harder & Co.	Meetings	10,177.50
	05/20/2026	26-251-103.4	Thomas Harder & Co.	Staff Meetings	525.00
	05/20/2026	26-251-103.4	Thomas Harder & Co.	Groundwater Model	10,897.50
	06/05/2026	4C110960	4 Creeks	Board Meetings	2,513.00
	06/05/2026	4C110960	4 Creeks	Staff Meetings	118.00
	06/17/2026	26-251-103.5	Thomas Harder & Co.	TAC	900.00
	06/17/2026	26-251-103.5	Thomas Harder & Co.	Staff Meetings	7,762.50
Total 5406 · Engineering					55,913.70
5400 · GSP Development & Implementatio - Other					
	04/30/2026	2026-27	EKGSA	1/3 cost share well inve	138.07
	05/22/2026	2026-29	EKGSA	1/3 cost Land IQ	377.50
Total 5400 · GSP Development & Implementatio - Other					515.57
Total 5400 · GSP Development & Implementatio					207,189.46
5409 · Well Mitigation Expenses					
	04/09/2026	April 2026	City of Farmersville	Consumption	262.07
Total 5409 · Well Mitigation Expenses					262.07
5420 · Monitoring/Measueement/Data					
5422 · GW Quality (Quarterly)					
	04/17/2026	642140A-IN	FGL Environmental	642140A-IN	719.00
	04/17/2026	641735A-IN	FGL Environmental	GWQ Testing Spring 6	16,001.00
	04/17/2026	26-251-103.3	Thomas Harder & Co.	Water Quality	4,106.25
	05/14/2026	642043A-6421	FGL Environmental	642043A-642899A	7,718.00
	05/14/2026	642043A-6421	FGL Environmental	642139A-642146A	5,033.00
	05/20/2026	26-251-103.4	Thomas Harder & Co.	Support for Water Qua	4,717.50
	06/05/2026	642870A-6428	FGL Environmental	642870A-642829A	343.00
Total 5422 · GW Quality (Quarterly)					38,637.75
5423 · Subsidence (Annual)					
	04/17/2026	26-251-103.3	Thomas Harder & Co.	Land Subsidence Supp	8,133.75
	05/20/2026	26-251-103.4	Thomas Harder & Co.	Land Subsidence Supp	16,680.00
Total 5423 · Subsidence (Annual)					24,813.75
5424 · Landowner Demand Tracking					

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04/30/2026	7892	Land IQ	Profesional Services fc	14,240.21
04/30/2026	7862	Land IQ	Profesional Services fc	7,397.13
05/27/2026	7946	Land IQ	Profesional Services fc	14,240.21
05/27/2026	7980	Land IQ	Profesional Services fc	7,397.13
06/05/2026	4C110960	4 Creeks	Progammer	139.00
06/25/2026	8044	Land IQ	Profesional Services fc	14,240.21
Total 5424 · Landowner Demand Tracking				57,653.89
5425 · New Monitoring Wells				
04/17/2026	26-251-103.3	Thomas Harder & Co.	Monitoring Wells	5,643.75
04/17/2026	26-251-103.3	Thomas Harder & Co.	Well Sites	720.00
04/17/2026	26-251-103.3	Thomas Harder & Co.	Well Sites	3,476.25
04/17/2026	26-251-103.3	Thomas Harder & Co.	well sites	1,485.00
05/20/2026	26-251-103.4	Thomas Harder & Co.	Moitoring Wells	6,345.00
05/20/2026	26-251-103.4	Thomas Harder & Co.	Monitoring Wells	4,042.38
05/20/2026	26-251-103.4	Thomas Harder & Co.	Well Sites	1,035.00
05/20/2026	26-251-103.4	Thomas Harder & Co.	Well Sites	8,966.25
06/17/2026	26-251-103.5	Thomas Harder & Co.	Monitoring Wells Identi	1,518.75
06/17/2026	26-251-103.5	Thomas Harder & Co.	Purchase Install Press:	1,890.00
06/17/2026	26-251-103.5	Thomas Harder & Co.	Monitoring Wells Prep	1,440.00
06/17/2026	26-251-103.5	Thomas Harder & Co.	Model Work/Analysis	165.00
Total 5425 · New Monitoring Wells				36,727.38
5426 · Well Registration				
04/30/2026	805865	Enviromental Syatems R	Well Inventory and Re	700.00
05/20/2026	26-251-103.4	Thomas Harder & Co.	Well Inventory Support	33.75
Total 5426 · Well Registration				733.75
Total 5420 · Monitoring/Measuement/Data				158,566.52
TOTAL				<u><u>556,780.64</u></u>

TECHNICAL MEMORANDUM



4CREEKS

To: Greater Kaweah GSA Board of Directors

From: Don Tucker – 4Creeks, Inc.

cc: Mark Larsen – GKGSA General Manager
David De Groot – 4Creeks, Inc

Date: July 10, 2026

Re: Greater Kaweah GSA – Water Year 2027 Groundwater Allocations

In accordance with the current amended Greater Kaweah Groundwater Sustainability Agency (GKGSA or GSA) Rules and Regulations adopted by the Board of Directors, the following technical memorandum summarizes the recommended Water Year 2027 (October 2026 through September 2027) groundwater allocations made available for landowners within the GSA. Article IV. Allocation of Water, Section 4.02 Determination of Allocations of the Rules and Regulations states the following:

“Each year prior to, or as soon as practical, October 1, the GKGSA Technical Group shall determine the allocations available for use within the GKGSA’s various Management Areas based on the data and calculations and the approved methodologies provided herein. The General Manager shall cause such determination to be noticed to all affected Owners prior to October 1, or as close as practical.”

Categories of groundwater allocation within the GSA include the following:

1. Net Sustainable Yield
 - A. Native Sustainable Yield
 - B. Total Precipitation
2. Temporary Tier 1 and Tier 2

The two water categories are described along with the proposed allocation amount available to GKGSA landowners.

Sustainable Yield Allocation

A) Native Sustainable Yield - Landowners within the Kaweah Subbasin share native, natural occurring waters, comprised of mountain block inflow recharge from the Sierra Nevada’s and natural channel loss from the Kaweah River. This water is referred to as Native Sustainable Yield and equally shared among gross lands within the Kaweah Subbasin; derived from the Kaweah Subbasin Water Accounting Framework (WAF). For Water Year 2027 the Native Sustainable Yield allocation amounts to **0.83 acre-feet per acre available for consumptive use.**

B) Total Precipitation - Landowners receive credit for the Total Precipitation based on 25-year rolling average (2000-2026), using calibrated weather station data collected within and adjacent

to the GSA. Each Assessor Parcel Number (APN) will receive a unique Total Precipitation allocation, as precipitation varies from the eastern to western portion of the GSA. Water Year 2027 Total Precipitation allocations will be provided during the September Board meeting to ensure data accuracy.

Temporary Tier 1 & Tier 2 Allocation

The GSA recognizes that in order to avoid substantial economic impact, a reasonable timeframe is required for landowners to adjust from historical groundwater overdraft to a sustainability. The GSA has adopted a ramp-down schedule as a percentage of historical overdraft that can be allocated for landowners to transition to sustainability, referred to as Tier 1 & Tier 2 Temporary Water. The adopted ramp-down schedule for Tier 1 & Tier 2 Temporary Water allocations is provided as **Table 1**.

Table 1 - GK GSA Temporary Water Rampdown Schedule

Water Years	Tier 1	Tier 2	Total Allowable
2023-2025	40%	50%	90%
2026-2030	40%	30%	70%
2031-2035	20%	20%	40%
2036-2040	20%	0%	20%

Historical overdraft for applying the ramp-down schedule to, was calculated based on the average annual change in groundwater storage from water years 2010-2022, amounting to annual average overdraft of 124,600 acre-feet.

In reference to the ramp-down schedule, Water Year 2027 represents the second year of the 70% total allowable Temporary Water allocation (30% Tier 1 & 40% Tier 2). The total allowable volume Temporary Water allocation amounts to 87,220 acre-feet (49,840 acre-feet of Tier 1 & 37,380-acre-feet of Tier 2). Divided by 161,100 irrigated acres in the GSA, the acre-foot per acre allocation amounts to 0.54 acre-feet per acre (0.31 acre-feet per acre of Tier 1 & 0.23 acre-feet per acre of Tier 2) as shown in **Table 2**.

Table 2 - Water Year 2027 Temporary Water Allocation

	Tier 1	Tier 2	Total Allowable
Total Allowable (acre-feet)	49,840	37,380	87,220
Per Acre (acre-feet/acre)	0.31	0.23	0.54

Summary of Water Year 2027 Groundwater Allocation

Table 3 summarizes the Water Year 2027 groundwater allocations for the Greater Kaweah GSA.

Table 3 - Summary of Water Year 2027 Groundwater Allocations

Groundwater Allocation Category	Acre-feet per Acre
1) Sustainable Yield	0.83 + Total Precipitation
<i>A) Native Sustainable Yield</i>	<i>0.83</i>
<i>B) Total Precipitation (25-year rolling average)</i>	<i>Varies</i>
2) Temporary Water	0.54
<i>Tier 1</i>	<i>0.31</i>
<i>Tier 2</i>	<i>0.23</i>
Total WY 2026 Groundwater Allocations	1.37 + Total Precipitation

MUTUAL AID AGREEMENT

This Mutual Aid Agreement (“Agreement”) is entered into between Greater Kaweah Groundwater Sustainability Agency (“GKGSA”) and Exeter Irrigation District (“EID”), collectively referred to herein as the “Parties.”

RECITALS

- A. The Parties are local agencies managing groundwater for portions of the Kaweah Subbasin pursuant to the California Sustainable Groundwater Management Act;
- B. The Parties have agreed to construct and operate a haul water fill station and access area (hereinafter referred to as the “Fill Station”);
- C. GKGSA does not have sufficient equipment or employees to conduct construction;
- D. EID does have sufficient equipment and employees to conduct construction and operate as a construction crew;
- E. The Parties desire to set forth their respective duties and responsibilities to construct the Fill Station.

AGREEMENT

1. **Materials and Parts.** EID shall source all materials and parts necessary for construction that comply with the Plans of the Fill Station project developed by Provost and Pritchard (“Plans”). GKGSA shall be responsible for purchasing and obtaining all materials and parts necessary for construction. GKGSA shall make payment directly to the material and parts vendor.
2. **Labor and Equipment.** EID shall provide all labor and equipment necessary to construct the Fill Station in accordance with the Plans.
3. **Coordination with Contractor.** The Parties acknowledge that GKGSA has, or will, hire a third-party Contractor to perform a portion of the project. EID shall coordinate and cooperate with said Contractor to the fullest extent possible.
4. **Expenses.** EID may choose to invoice GKGSA for any costs of labor or equipment. In the event EID invoices GKGSA, GKGSA shall pay such invoice within thirty (30) days of receipt.
5. **Safety.** Contractor and its subcontractors, if any, shall comply with the provisions of the Safety and Health Regulations for Construction, promulgated by the California Division of Industrial -Relations. Contractor shall be responsible for ensuring all rules, regulations, and standards are met.
6. **Final Approval.** GKGSA shall inspect the project when it is finished, and ensure the project conforms with the Plans. If approved, GKGSA shall provide EID with a Notice of Completion and Waiver of Liability. If the inspection reveals any un-approved construction, GKGSA shall provide EID notice in writing of the defect and EID shall cure said defect within ten (10) days.

7. **Indemnification.** Each Party (“Indemnifying Party”) shall indemnify and hold harmless and defend each other Party (“Indemnified Party”), its directors, officers, employees, agents, assigns or volunteers, and each of them from and against all claims, demands, causes of action, liability, cost and expenses, including damages resulting from the death or injury to any person or property, and including attorney’s fees, losses or liabilities in law or in equity, of every kind and nature whatsoever for, but not limited to injury to or death of any person or property including the Indemnified Party and its directors, officers, employees, agents or volunteers, arising out of or in any manner directly or indirectly connected with this Agreement, however caused, except and to the extent said loss or injury is caused by the sole negligence, or willful misconduct of the Indemnified Party or its directors, officers, employees, agents or volunteers.
8. **Scrivener.** The parties acknowledge that they are both represented by the law firm of Ruddell, Bixler, Mauritson, Evans, Fox & Buss LLP. Both parties confirm that the aforementioned law firm has not negotiated the instant transaction, but only acted as a scrivener in preparing the document to reflect the agreement reached after negotiations by and between the parties and their respective negotiators, if any. Accordingly, both parties hereto waive any conflict of interest that the aforementioned law firm may have in the preparation of this Agreement.
9. **Attorney’s Fees.** In any litigation arising from or relating to this Agreement, the prevailing Party shall be entitled to recover its costs and reasonable attorney’s fees in an amount to be determined by the Court.
10. **Counterparts.** This Agreement may be signed in counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original and all of which taken together form one and the same Agreement. A signed copy or signed counterpart of this Agreement delivered by facsimile, email, or other means of electronic transmission shall be deemed to have the same legal effect as delivery of a signed original or signed copy of the Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed this Agreement as follows:

GREATER KAWEAH GSA

EXETER IRRIGATION DISTRICT

By: _____

By: _____

Title: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____

Date: _____

HAUL WATER FILL STATION CONSTRUCTION AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT, made and entered into this _____ day of _____, 2026, by and between the GREATER KAWEAH GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY (hereinafter called the "GKGSA") and SUPERIOR AG. CONSTRUCTION, (hereinafter called the "Contractor").

WITNESSETH: That the GKGSA and the Contractor, for the consideration hereinafter named, agree as follows:

1. **Term of Contract.** This Contract will become effective upon its execution and will continue until the Work (defined below) is completed.
2. **Scope of Services.** This Contract is for work performed as part of constructing a Haul Water Fill Station immediately east of Road 168 on the Paregien Recharge Basin property.
 - a. **Work.** Work includes hot tap, road crossing, traffic control, permanent trench resurfacing, onsite plumbing (including BAC-T and disinfection), bollards, aggregate base surfacing, fencing, and any other associated items (the "Work").
 - b. **Labor and Materials.** The Contractor shall furnish labor, equipment, and other facilities and perform in good and workmanlike manner all Work in strict conformity with the 100% Design Drawing and Details and to the approval and entire satisfaction of GKGSA and Provost and Pritchard ("Project Manager"). The GKGSA and its project partner, Exeter Irrigation District (EID), will provide materials needed as per the 100% Design Drawings and Details.
 - c. **Change Orders.** Any changes made to the scope of services provided under this Contract must be a formal written agreement in the form of a Change Order to this Contract. Any Change Order must be submitted by the requesting party by at least fifteen (15) days' written notice to the other party. Both parties must agree, in writing, to any Change Order.

3. **Contract Documents.** The Contract includes all of the Contract Documents, including this Agreement and the 100% Design Drawings and Details, dated July 16, 2026. All said Documents are hereby incorporated in and made a part of this Agreement.

4. **Public Work.** This Work is "public work" and therefore the Contractor and any subcontractors shall perform the Work as "public work" pursuant to the prevailing wage laws, California Labor Code § 1720 et seq. Copies of the prevailing rate of per diem wages are available on the internet at <http://www.dir.ca.gov/DLSR/PWD> and upon request from the office of the Greater Kaweah Groundwater Sustainability Agency. The Contractor and any subcontractors shall comply with California Labor Code §§ 1720-1861, specifically including but not limited to § 1775 (payment of wages and penalties) and § 1776 (payroll records), and California Code of Regulations title 8, §§ 16000-16414, specifically including but not limited to § 16451 and § 16461. No contractor or subcontractor may be awarded a contract for public work on a public works project unless registered with the Department of Industrial Relations pursuant to Labor Code § 1725.5. This project is subject to compliance monitoring and enforcement by the Department of Industrial Relations. The Contractor shall post job site notices as required by Labor Code § 1771.4(a)(2) and the relevant regulations, including but not limited to California Code of Regulations, title 8, § 16451(d).

5. **Compensation.** Contractor shall keep accurate payroll records showing the name, address, work classification, straight time and overtime hours worked each day for all employees working on the project, except for Assistant Superintendents, Superintendents, Office Personnel, Timekeepers and Maintenance Mechanics. Prior to working overtime, Contractor and Contractor's employees shall obtain written approval by the Project Manager. A copy of said written approval shall be submitted with the invoice for the pay period during which the overtime was worked. Labor rates used to calculate the costs shall be those basic wages including current employer contributions for fringe benefits

and including applicable subsistence and travel allowances, all as actually paid to workers under collective bargaining agreements, or as a regular practice of the employer. No time or charges will be allowed except when the workers are actually engaged in the proper, efficient, and diligent performance or completion of the Work as authorized.

6. **Liquidated Damages.** The GKGSA will pay the Contractor in current funds for the performance of the Contract, in the manner, at the time and upon the conditions as stated in the Contract Documents, and will otherwise fulfill its obligations as provided in the Contract. It is agreed and stipulated between the GKGSA and the Contractor, that damage will be sustained by the GKGSA from any delays in the performance of this Contract, and it is currently contemplated by the parties, and estimated by the parties, that it will be impracticable and extremely difficult to fully ascertain and determine the actual damage which the GKGSA will sustain by such delays. The parties agree that they shall be deemed to have jointly studied and attempted to estimate the damages suffered by the GKGSA by such a delay under these circumstances and to agree and stipulate by this Contract that the sum of One-thousand and no/100 (\$1000.00) per calendar day for each and every day's delay beyond the time prescribed to complete the Work has been agreed to by the parties as a fair estimate of the damage to be suffered by the GKGSA from and as a direct result of such delay.

7. **Indemnification.** Contractor will indemnify and hold harmless GKGSA, its directors, officers, employees, and authorized representatives from all liability, claims, actions, costs, damages, losses and expenses for injury, including without limitation, death of any person or damage to any property; or enforcement actions under California Prevailing Wage laws that arise from, pertain to, or relate to the Contractor's performance of the Work, or any subcontractor or agent of Contractor.

8. **Insurance.** Contractor shall at their own expense provide and maintain in effect at all times during the performance of the Work, comprehensive general liability, automobile liability, employer's liability, and worker's compensation

insurance in accordance with California Labor Code Section 3700 and at in such form as approved by GKGSA. Contractor will file with GKGSA, before beginning any Work under this agreement, certificates of insurance satisfactory to GKGSA evidencing general liability coverage, excluding liability coverage for errors and omissions, of not less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence (\$2,000,000 general and products-completed operations aggregate, if used) for bodily injury, personal injury and property damage; auto liability of at least \$1,000,000 for bodily injury and property damage each accident limit; workers' compensation (statutory limits) and employer's liability (\$1,000,000) (if applicable); requiring 30 days (10 days for non-payment of premium) notice of cancellation to GKGSA. The general liability coverage is to state or be endorsed to state "such insurance shall be primary and any insurance, self-insurance or other coverage maintained by GKGSA, its directors, officers, employees, or authorized volunteers shall not contribute to it." The general liability coverage shall give GKGSA its directors, officers, employees, and authorized volunteers insured status using ISO endorsement CG 20 38 04 13, or as otherwise approved by GKGSA. In the event that Contractor employs other Contractors (sub-Contractors) as part of the work covered by this agreement, it shall be Contractor's responsibility to require and confirm that each sub-Contractor meets the minimum insurance requirements specified above. Insurance is to be placed with insurers admitted or authorized to transact insurance in California and having a current A.M. Best rating of no less than A-:VII or equivalent, or as otherwise approved by the District.

9. **Termination.** Either party may terminate this Contract without cause by giving the other party sixty (60) days' written notice. In such event, Contractor shall have no claims against GKGSA, except for the value of work performed to the date of termination, and the cost of materials and equipment on hand, in transit, or on definite commitment, as of the date of termination, if such materials and equipment would be needed to complete the Work.

10. **Default.** GKGSA may terminate the whole or any part of this Contract if Contractor commits a material breach of this Contract. Prior to terminating this

Contract, GKGSA must give the Contractor five (5) days' written notice of its intent to terminate and an opportunity to cure the breach prompting such notice.

11. **Delays and Extension of Time.** If the Contractor be delayed at any time in the progress of the Work by any act or neglect of the GKGSA or its agents or employees, or by any other contractor employed by the GKGSA, or by changes ordered in the Work, or by strikes, lockouts, fire, climatic conditions, unusual delay in transportation, Act of God, unavoidable casualties or any causes beyond the Contractor's control, or by delay authorized by the Project Manager, or by any cause which the Project Manager shall decide to justify the delay, then the time of completion shall be extended for such reasonable time as the Project Manager may order in writing. No such extension shall be made for delay occurring more than seven (7) calendar days before claim, therefore, is made in writing to the Project Manager. In the case of a continuing cause of delay, only one claim is necessary. If no schedule or agreement stating the dates upon which Drawings shall be furnished is made, then no claim for delay shall be allowed on account of failure to furnish Drawings until two (2) weeks after demand for such Drawings and not then unless such claim be reasonable.

12. **No Assignment.** Contractor shall not assign this Contract without the prior written consent of GKGSA.

13. **Safety.** Contractor and its subcontractors, if any, shall comply with the provisions of the Safety and Health Regulations for Construction, promulgated by the California Division of Industrial -Relations.

14. **Attorney's Fees.** In any litigation arising from or relating to this Agreement, the prevailing Party shall be entitled to recover its costs and reasonable attorney's fees in an amount to be determined by the Court.

15. **Non-Discrimination.** In the performance of this Contract, the Contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant as detailed in Government Code section 12940. The Contractor will take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed and that employees are treated during employment without respect to any discriminatory practice. The Contractor shall

post in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants provisions of the Fair Employment Practices Act.

16. **Notices.** All notices required to be given under this Contract may be effectuated in writing by personal delivery or by mail, postage prepaid, with return receipt requested. Mailed notices must be addressed to the parties at their addresses as follows:

GKGSA
Attn: Mark Larsen
227 N. West St.
Visalia, CA 93291

Superior Ag. Construction

ADDRESS

ADDRESS

Each party may change its foregoing address by giving written notice in accordance with this paragraph. Notices delivered personally will be deemed communicated as of actual receipt. Mailed notices will be deemed communicated as of the fifth day after mailing.

17. **Amendments and Modifications.** No amendment or modification of this Contract will be effective unless it is in writing signed by both parties.

18. **Time of the Essence.** All time limits stated in the Contract Documents are of the essence of this Agreement.

19. **Binding Effect.** This Contract shall be binding upon and shall inure to the benefit of the heirs, successors and assigns of the parties.

20. **Governing Law.** This Contract will be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of California. GKGSA is subject to laws relating to public agencies, which are hereby incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein. Contractor shall comply with such federal and state laws as relate to the Work or the overall project.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Contract on the day and year first above written.

GKGSA:

Greater Kaweah Groundwater Sustainability Agency

By: _____

Contractor:

Superior Ag. Construction

By: _____
(Title)

And: _____
(Title)

(Seal if a Corporation)

Contractor
License No. _____

Classification _____

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August 4th, 2026

Mr. Mark Larsen
General Manager
Greater Kaweah GSA
2975 N. Farmersville
Farmersville, California 93223

Re: Evaluation of Low Bidder – Herbert Preserve Monitoring Well

Dear Mr. Larsen,

Thomas Harder and Co. (TH&Co) has collected bids for the project referenced above. Bids were gathered for installation of one triple completion monitoring well to 1,030 feet below ground surface.

The apparent low bidder for the monitoring wells is Arsenal Well Drilling Inc. with a total bid price of \$229,000. Bakersfield Well and Pump and Nor-Cal Pump and Well Drilling Inc. also submitted bids for \$386,630 and \$767,070, respectively (see Table 1). Thomas Harder & Co. (TH&Co) performed an evaluation of each Contractor's bid estimates (see Table 1).

The apparent low bidder Arsenal Well Drilling Inc. is certified as a well drilling contractor. A review of the California Department of Consumer Affairs, Contractor's License database showed that the contractor has a current and active California Specialty Contractor C-57 license (No. 1017985) as required in the specifications. The Contractor's license is set to expire September 6, 2027.

Conclusion:

Based on the information we collected, Arsenal Well Drilling Inc. is the lowest responsive bidder for the monitoring well. Arsenal Well Drilling Inc. is a licensed California Specialty Contractor meeting the requirements of the contract, and we recommend award of the contract.

If you require further information, or have any questions regarding this evaluation, please contact me at (714) 779-3875.

Thomas Harder & Co.
1260 N. Hancock St., Suite 109
Anaheim, California 92807
(714) 779-3875

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Thomas Harder". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'T'.

Thomas Harder, P.G., C.HG.
Principal Hydrogeologist



Cost Estimate for Herbert Preserve Monitoring Well, ISW - Phase 2

Company	Cost	Pros	Cons
Arsenal Well Drilling Inc.	\$229,000	Cost	• Less experienced well driller
Bakersfield Well and Pump	\$386,630	• Very experienced well driller	• Expensive
Nor-Cal Pump and Well Drilling, Inc.	\$767,070	• Very experienced well driller	• Very expensive

SCHEDULE OF WORK ITEMS
Drilling and Construction Nested Well - GKGSA-03

<u>Item</u>				<u>Unit Price</u>	<u>Total Amount</u>
<u>No.</u>	<u>Qty</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Dlrs./Cts.</u>	<u>Dlrs./Cts.</u>
1	1	LS	Mobilize and demobilize all equipment, materials, and personnel necessary for the work, as specified, for the lump sum price of		
			<u>Fifteen thousand dollars and no cents</u> (words)	<u>\$ Lump Sum</u>	<u>\$ 15,000.00</u>
2	1	LS	Provide temporary water storage pond (infiltration basin) and discharge piping to discharge water and drilling fluids generated during well drilling and development to a discharge point onsite, as specified, for the lump sum price of		
			<u>Two thousand eight hundred dollars and no cents</u> (words)	<u>\$ Lump Sum</u>	<u>\$ 2,800.00</u>
3	40	LF	Drill nominal 30-inch minimum diameter surface casing/grout seal borehole, install nominal 20-inch x 3/8-inch wall mild steel conductor casing, and install cement grout annular seal to a <u>minimum</u> depth of 40 ft for the price per foot of		
			<u>Three hundred seventy-five dollars and no cents</u> (words)	<u>\$ 375.00</u> per ft	<u>\$15,000.00</u>
4	990	LF	Drill by fluid reverse or direct rotary methods a 17.5-inch minimum diameter borehole from 40 ft bgs to 1,030-ft bgs for the price per foot of		
			<u>Forty dollars and forty point forty cents</u> (words)	<u>\$ 40.4040</u> per ft	<u>\$40,000.00</u>

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<u>No.</u>	<u>Qty</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Dlrs./Cts.</u>	<u>Dlrs./Cts.</u>
5	1	LS	Perform Downhole Geophysical Surveys: Spontaneous Potential, Point, Long & Short Normal Resistivity, Focused (Guard) Resistivity, Gamma-Ray and Sonic Velocity Variable Density surveys of the borehole for the lump sum price of <u>Six thousand six hundred dollars and no cents</u> (words)	\$ Lump Sum	\$ <u>6,600.00</u>
6	1	LS	Conduct a caliper survey for the lump sum price of <u>Three thousand dollars and no cents</u> (words)	\$ Lump Sum	\$ <u>3,000.00</u>
7	1,181	LF	Furnish and install nominal 2 1/2-inch diameter Schedule 80 PVC blank well casing from +2 to 125 ft bgs, +2 to 350 ft bgs and +2 to 700 ft bgs, for the price per foot of <u>Twenty-five dollars and forty point twenty-two cents</u> (words)	\$ <u>25.4022</u> per ft	\$ <u>30,000.00</u>
8	30	LF	Furnish and install 2 1/2-inch diameter mild steel compression sections, (3 as specified) for the price per foot of (OPTIONAL) <u>One hundred thirty-three dollars and thirty-three point thirty-three cents</u> (words)	\$ <u>133.3333</u> per ft	\$ <u>4,000.00</u>
9	615	LF	Furnish and install 2 1/2-inch I.D. Schedule 80 PVC perforated well casing with 0.02-inch horizontal slots from 125 to 240 ft bgs, 350 to 550 ft bgs, and 700 to 1,000 ft bgs for the price per foot of <u>Thirty-one dollars and eighty-six point ninety-nine cents</u>	\$ <u>31.8699</u>	\$ <u>19,600.00</u>



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Drilling and Construction Nested Well - GKGSA-03

<u>Item</u>				<u>Unit Price</u>	<u>Total Amount</u>
<u>No.</u>	<u>Qty</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Dlrs./Cts.</u>	<u>Dlrs./Cts.</u>
			(words)	per ft	
10	30	LF	Furnish and install 2 1/2-inch I.D. Schedule 80 PVC blank well casing from 240 to 250 ft bgs, 550 to 560 ft bgs, and 1,000 to 1,010 ft bgs; including end caps, for the price per foot of		
			<u>One hundred thirty-three dollars and thirty-three point thirty-three cents</u>	<u>\$133.3333</u>	<u>\$ 4,000.00</u>
			(words)	per ft	
11	45	LF	Furnish and install a cement grout annular seal from 0 to 45 ft bgs as specified, for the price per foot of		
			<u>One hundred seventy-seven dollars and seventy-seven point seventy-eight cents</u>	<u>\$177.7778</u>	<u>\$ 8,000.00</u>
			(words)	per ft	
12	125	LF	Furnish and install a bentonite annular seals from 255 to 300 ft bgs and 570 to 650 ft bgs as specified, for the price per foot of		
			<u>Ninety-six dollars an no cents</u>	<u>\$ 96.00</u>	<u>\$ 12,000.00</u>
			(words)	per ft	
13	860	LF	Furnish and install Monterey #3 gradation (or as specified by HYDROGEOLOGIST) gravel pack material in casing borehole annulus from 45 to 255 ft bgs, 300 to 570 ft bgs and 650 to 1,030 ft bgs; for the price per foot of		
			<u>Forty dollars and sixty-nine point Seventy-seven cents</u>	<u>\$40.6977</u>	<u>\$ 35,000.00</u>
			(words)	per ft	
14	16	HR	Perform well development by mechanical procedures including swabbing and airlifting for the price per hour (HR) of		

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Drilling and Construction Nested Well - GKGSA-03

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<u>No.</u>	<u>Qty</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Dlrs./Cts.</u>	<u>Dlrs./Cts.</u>
			One thousand dollars and no cents (words)	\$ 1,000.00 per HR	\$ 16,000.00
15	5	GAL	Provide polymer dispersant (at the OWNER's option) for chemical development of the well for the price per gallon of		
			Eight hundred and no cents (words)	\$ 800.00 per GAL	\$ 4,000.00
16	1	LS	Well head completion by installing above ground riser, as specified, for the lump sum of		
			Fourteen thousand dollars and no cents (words)	\$ Lump Sum	\$ 14,000.00

SCHEDULE OF WORK ITEMS
Drilling and Construction Nested Well - GKGSA-03

<u>Item</u>				<u>Unit Price</u>	<u>Total Amount</u>
<u>No.</u>	<u>Qty</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Dlrs./Cts.</u>	<u>Dlrs./Cts.</u>
SUBTOTAL, Base Bid Items					\$ <u>229,000.00</u>
<u>Alternative Bid Items</u>					
<u>Item</u>				<u>Unit Price</u>	<u>Total Amount</u>
<u>No.</u>	<u>Qty</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Dlrs./Cts.</u>	<u>Dlrs./Cts.</u>
A-1	1,030	FT	Destruction of the well, as directed by the OWNER, for the price per foot of <u>Fourty-eight dollars and fifty-four</u> <u>point thirty-seven cents</u> (words)	\$ <u>48.5437</u> per ft	\$ <u>50,000.00</u>
A-2	4	HR	Standby time, as directed by the OWNER, for the price per hour of: <u>Nine hundred dollars and no cents</u> (words)	\$ <u>900.00</u> per HR	\$ <u>3,600.00</u>
SUBTOTAL, Alternative Bid Items					\$ <u>53,600.00</u>
SUBTOTAL, Base Bid and				\$	\$ <u>229,000.00</u>
SUBTOTAL, Alternative Bid Items				\$	\$ <u>53,600.00</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT OF BID					\$ <u>282,600.00</u>



 Signature of Bidder



Greater Kaweah GSA

**ADDENDUM NO. 1
FOR
CONSTRUCTION AND DRILLING OF NESTED WELL – GKGSA-03**

Date

July 17, 2026

NOTICE TO ALL POTENTIAL BIDDERS

Included below are addendum items, which shall be incorporated into the plans and specifications of the above referenced projects. This change shall be considered as a part of the original documents, as if it were originally provided therein; and as such shall be used as a part of the contract documents. Bidders must acknowledge receipt of this addendum with their bids. That acknowledgment shall be as provided for herein below. Failure to comply with acknowledgment provisions may be used as grounds to find the Bids unresponsive.

Addendum No. 1

Request for Information during Pre-Bid Meeting:

Question 1: Can the nearby water well be used as a water source (approximately 100 feet to the east of the site)?

1. Yes. This well is operated by the Cattle Ranchers that lease this land from Sequoia Riverlands Trust. The Cattle Ranchers will accommodate water from the well to be used for well construction and development. The drilling contractor will need to provide a water storage tank to pump water from the well into during the course of the project. Pumping from the well will be limited to off-hours for the Cattle Ranchers who will have first priority on the well.
2. A record of volume of water utilized from the well shall be kept, and will be subject to a fee from the well owner and operator. The fee is not known at this time.

Question 2: What is the Site Access Point?

1. The site access point will be the double chain-link gates off of Highway 137. These are at the northeast corner of the jobsite and are labeled on the revised Figure 2.

Question 3: Can the conductor casing be changed from 20 feet to 40 feet?

1. Concerns were raised at the pre-bid meeting on the conductor casing length due to stability reasons. The conductor casing is being changed to 40 foot in length.
2. See attached revised Well Design Figure and Schedule of Work Items.

Question 4: What is the proposed starting time frame for the project?

1. Proposed project schedule is listed in Exhibit C. Any modifications to the schedule must be requested in writing.

Question 5: Can drill cuttings and drill mud be spread onsite? Can development water be spread onsite?

1. Drill Cuttings and mud fluid: Yes, they can. Drill cuttings and drill mud and fluids can be spread onsite in the immediate vicinity of the well head. Cuttings shall be spread evenly with a maximum thickness of no more than three inches.
2. Water: Water generated during drilling, construction, and development of GKGSA-03 will be discharged into a temporary discharge pond onsite.

Question 6: Is the project subject to prevailing wages?

1. Yes

End of Addendum No. 1

Acknowledgment is hereby made of receipt and incorporation of Addendum No. 1 into this Bid.

Signature:  Date: 7/21/26
Authorized Representative

Title: Project Manager

Contractor: Arsenal Well Drilling, Inc



Greater Kaweah GSA

**ADDENDUM NO. 2
FOR
CONSTRUCTION AND DRILLING OF NESTED WELL – GKGSA-03**

Date

July 22, 2026

NOTICE TO ALL POTENTIAL BIDDERS

Included below are addendum items, which shall be incorporated into the plans and specifications of the above referenced projects. This change shall be considered as a part of the original documents, as if it were originally provided therein; and as such shall be used as a part of the contract documents. Bidders must acknowledge receipt of this addendum with their bids. That acknowledgment shall be as provided for herein below. Failure to comply with acknowledgment provisions may be used as grounds to find the Bids unresponsive.

Addendum No. 2

Question 1: Is line item 16 on the bid schedule necessary?

1. No, this line item is not necessary. No pump is anticipated to be installed into this well any point during well construction or during well development.
2. Bid item number 16 was deleted and all subsequent bid items moved up one Item Number.

End of Addendum No. 2

Acknowledgment is hereby made of receipt and incorporation of Addendum No. 2 into this Bid.

Signature:  Date: 7/23/26
Authorized Representative

Title: Project Manager

Contractor: Arsenal Well Drilling, Inc



August 4th, 2026

Mr. Mark Larsen
General Manager
Greater Kaweah GSA
2975 N. Farmersville
Farmersville, California 93223

Re: Evaluation of Low Bidder – Interconnected Surface Water, Two Monitoring Wells and Cone Penetrometer Testing

Dear Mr. Larsen,

Thomas Harder and Co. (TH&Co) has collected bids for the project referenced above. Bids were gathered for installation of two monitoring wells and for completion of up to four cone penetrometer tests (CPTs) at two different sites. Results are below and in the attached Tables 1 and 2.

Monitoring Well:

The apparent low bidder for the monitoring wells is BC2 Environmental with a total bid price of \$27,320. Gregg Drilling LLC and Taber also submitted bids for \$53,886 and \$34,334, respectively (see Table 1). Thomas Harder & Co. (TH&Co) performed an evaluation of each Contractor's bid estimate (see Table 1).

The apparent low bidder BC2 Environmental is certified as a Well Drilling Contractor. A review of the California Department of Consumer Affairs, Contractor's License database showed that the contractor has a current and active California Specialty Contractor C-57 license (No. 1051275) as required in the specifications. The Contractor's license is set to expire March 31, 2027.

Cone Penetrometer Test:

The apparent low bidder for the CPT work is Gregg Drilling LLC with a total bid price of \$17,722. Kehoe, Taber, and Veteran also submitted bids for \$20,730, \$20,746, and \$23,550, respectively (see Table 2). Thomas Harder & Co. (TH&Co) performed an evaluation of each Contractor's bid estimate (see Table 2).

Thomas Harder & Co.
1260 N. Hancock St., Suite 109
Anaheim, California 92807
(714) 779-3875

The apparent low bidder Gregg Drilling LLC is certified as a Well Drilling Contractor. A review of the California CSLB database showed that the contractor has a current and active California Specialty Contractor C-57 license (No. 485165) as required in the specifications. The Contractor's license is set to expire April 30, 2028.

Conclusion:

Based on the information we collected, BC2 Environmental is the lowest responsive bidder for the two monitoring wells and Gregg Drilling LLC is the lowest responsive bidder for the CPTs. Both are licensed California Specialty Contractors meeting the requirements of the contract, and we recommend award of the contract to BC2 Environmental for the monitoring wells, and to Gregg Drilling LLC for the CPTs.

If you require further information, or have any questions regarding this evaluation, please contact me at (714) 779-3875.

Sincerely,



Thomas Harder, P.G., C.H.G.
Principal Hydrogeologist



Cost Estimate for Monitoring Wells, ISW - Phase 2

Company	Cost	Pros	Cons
Taber	\$34,334	• Local to the Sacramento area. They know how to drill in the clayey soils and shallow groundwater up there. They can drill solid stem, hollow stem, mud rotary, and CPT. If one drilling method doesn't work then they will move on to another one.	• Can not do a 12 inch boring. They do not have 12 inch auger. They do a lot of 2" monitoring wells. • Cost of bentonite and cement look flipped. There are two bags of bentonite for 45 feet and 30 bags of cement for 5 feet. • Drill slowly.
BC2	\$27,320	• Could also do a 12 inch boring • Most inexpensive option • Their development rates look to be very low as well • BC2 is good at smaller production/monitoring wells. This job is probably right in their wheelhouse. • "Containment drums" are on their proposal. We likely wont need these so that will save us \$1,500.	• For this particular job they are probably a pretty good option. In the past they have worked a bit slow and had a hard time overcoming obstacles. • Drill slowly.
Gregg	\$53,866	• Reliable company. Will definitely get the job done.	• Expensive • Can be difficult to work with unless conditions are ideal.

Cost Estimate for Cone Penetrometer Tests, ISW - Phase 2

Company	Cost	Pros	Cons
Kehoe	\$20,730	•Very knowledgeable of the area •Specialize in CPTs •Familiarity, have worked with before	•Not Local, based in Southern California
Taber	\$20,746	•Knowledge of Area •Local company (Southern Sacramento)	•Does not specialize in CPTs
Gregg	\$17,722	•Known to deliver good results •Inexpensive	•Can be difficult to work with unless conditons are ideal •Not Local, based in Southern California
Veteran	\$23,550	•Expensive	•Not Local, based in Southern California



Bid Date: April 20, 2026
Quote: 26-389

Thomas Feistel
Thomas Harder & Co.
949-390-4429
tfeistel@thomashardercompany.com

Project: Visalia, Ca

Scope: Drill, Sample & Set 2-100ft x 2" Wells. Flush Mounted Boxes

Item	Description	Quantity	Unit	Unit Price	Total
1	Mob/Demob Drill Rig Crew & Equipment	1	Trip	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00
2	Per Diem 3- Man Crew	3	Day	\$ 825.00	\$ 2,475.00
3	Drill Rig & Crew Onsite	2	Day	\$ 3,200.00	\$ 6,400.00
4	2" PVC Well Materials	200	Foot	\$ 14.00	\$ 2,800.00
5	8" Borehole Backfill	200	Foot	\$ 10.00	\$ 2,000.00
6	8" Flush Mounted Well Boxes Installed	2	Each	\$ 250.00	\$ 500.00
7	Prevailing Wage Per Man Per Hour Portal to Portal Up to 8hrs	72	Hour	\$ 65.00	\$ 4,680.00
8	Prevailing Wage Per Man Per Hour Portal to Portal Over 8hrs	27	Hour	\$ 95.00	\$ 2,565.00
9	Containment Drums	20	Each	\$ 75.00	\$ 1,500.00
10	Support Truck	2	Day	\$ 200.00	\$ 400.00
11	Development Rig Portal to Portal	-	Hour	\$ 215.00	-
12	Development Support Trailer	-	Day	\$ 150.00	-
13	Generator & Pump Rental	-	Day	\$ 250.00	-
14	Per Diem Development Operator	-	Day	\$ 275.00	-
15	Prevailing Wage Per Man Per Hour Portal to Portal Up to 8hrs	-	Hour	\$ 65.00	-
16	Prevailing Wage Per Man Per Hour Portal to Portal Over 8hrs	-	Hour	\$ 95.00	-
Days of completion subject to change do to adverse onsite site access issues					
General Assumptions				Estimated Total	\$ 27,320.00

Client is responsible for providing any Local, State and Federal specific permits required.
Client to provide profiling and disposal of all soil cuttings & fluids generated.
Client to provide onsite security (If Required)
Client is responsible for contacting Underground Services Alert for utility clearance and naming BC2 Env. on the USA ticket number.
BC2 Env., assumes no responsibility to any damaged done to unforeseen underground lines.
All drilling locations are to be clear of any and all overhead and subsurface utilities.
All drilling locations are accessible by way of two-wheel drive drilling related equipment.
If project encounters difficulties beyond our control or if the scope of work is altered BC2 reserves the right to renegotiate the price.
Client is responsible for providing a water supply source made available for the duration of the drilling project.
Client is responsible for providing street traffic control or any hot asphalt paving subcontractors required.
BC2 Env. is not responsible for any Broken, Damaged or Stuck Tooling due to unforeseen subsurface conditions.
Any tire damaged during onsite investigating will be paid by Terracon
Payment terms are net Forty-Five (45) days unless agreed to in writing or under current MSA contract.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide the above services. If you should have any questions or need any additional information please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Tracy Spilotro

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Accepted,

Thomas Harder Date



GREGG DRILLING, LLC

Environmental, Geotechnical, and Marine Site Investigation Services
2726 Walnut Ave, Signal Hill, CA 90755 Phone: (562) 989-3500

Client: Thomas Harder Company
Contact: Thomas Feistel
Address:

Date: April 17, 2026
E-mail: tfiestel@thomashardercompany.com
Phone: 714-779-3875
Cell: 949-290-4429

Project Name: Greater Kaweah ISW Monitoring Wells Phase 2
Location: Visalia
Proposal #: 26-0641

Changes to this Proposal are not valid unless mutually agreed in a fully signed amendment to this Proposal.

**Scope 1: Advance eight (8) CPTu to 100 feet bgs or refusal; conduct pore pressure dissipation test at clients direction
Two different sites within 10 minutes apart.**

- Utilizing 25-30 ton Truck-mounted CPT rig
- Perform electrical piezocone testing (CPTu) in accordance with ASTM D-5778-20
- Advance 8 CPT borings to a depth of 100 feet or refusal
- Hand auger all locations to 5-ft bgs
- Shear wave Velocity & Pore Pressure Dissipation Tests (PPDT) will be performed at clients direction
- Grout borings to surface, finish with asphalt/concrete cap
- Investigation-derived waste will be drummed and left on site

Item	Description of Services	Unit Cost	Units	Qty.	Total
1	Mobilization/Demobilization Truck Mounted CPT Rig/CPT Support Truck	\$ 3,000.00	Day	1	\$ 3,000.00
2	Per Deim / Daily Travel (2-man crew)	\$ 750.00	Night	1	\$ 750.00
3	CPTu Testing (CPT rig and 2 Person crew up to 9-hrs on site)	\$ 4,100.00	Day	2	\$ 8,200.00
4	CPTu Testing OT (CPT rig and 2 Person crew over up to 9-hrs on site)	\$ 530.00	Hour	0	\$ -
5	Prevailing Wage Surcharge (2-man crew estimated)	\$ 150.00	Hour	18	\$ 2,700.00
6	Materials for Grouting Soundings (estimated)	\$ 3.00	Foot	800	\$ 2,400.00
7	Pore Pressure Dissipation Test	\$ 20.00	Each	0	\$ -
8	Asphalt/Concrete Coring/Patching (5" x 6" Core)	\$ 65.00	Each	0	\$ -
9	6% Fuel Surcharge (assessed on mob/de-mob and operating rates)	\$ 672.00	Lump Sum	1	\$ 672.00

We Estimate 2 Day(s) On-site Total: \$17,722.00

The Schedule shall be as follows, unless otherwise mutually agreed in writing after execution of this Proposal:

Assumptions:

- All borings will be hand cleared to a depth of 5 feet unless waiver is signed by client
 - Level D personal protective equipment is sufficient to protect onsite staff
 - No training or certifications are required except: HAZWOPER and fit-for-duty
 - Site can be accessed by required equipment
 - Site is secure; no security is required
 - **Surface is dirt or asphalt; concrete is not anticipated to be encountered**
 - Client will be responsible for manifesting and disposal of investigation-derived waste
 - Investigation-derived waste storage area can be reached by foot from work area(s)
 - Daily rate includes up to nine hours per day on site Monday thru Friday
 - Additional time will be billed at 10% of day rate plus \$75.00/per man, per hour
 - No third party billing
 - **Project is subject to prevailing wages**
 - Client will obtain all Boring/Well permits
 - Client will provide traffic control if necessary
- ** Fuel surcharge is subject to adjustment based on prevailing market conditions and will be agreed upon at the time of award

1 Scope Terms:



Gregg Drilling shall perform the services expressly described in this Proposal based on the information provided by the Client prior to the time of submittal of this Proposal. The Client shall provide all specifications, drawings, and requirements related to the scope of work, including a redacted copy of the prime contract, if applicable.

The Client shall be responsible for providing all clarifications and information necessary for Gregg Drilling to perform its work and shall collaborate on all aspects of the services related to this Proposal. The presence of hazardous materials directly or indirectly, known or unknown, related to the Project is expressly excluded from this Proposal, and Gregg Drilling shall not be liable for such hazardous materials. Client represents that it has disclosed to Gregg Drilling the existence of all hazardous materials located at or near the Project site.

The standard of care for work performed or furnished by Gregg Drilling under this Proposal will be the care and skill ordinarily used by members of Gregg Drilling's profession practicing under the same or similar circumstances at the same time and in the same locality. Gregg Drilling makes no other warranties, expressed or implied, under this Proposal or otherwise, in conjunction with the services.

2 Assumptions Terms:

The Client shall obtain and maintain all licenses and permits required by applicable law at the Client's sole expense, unless explicitly agreed otherwise in this Proposal. Neither Gregg Drilling nor its employees are licensed surveyors, geologists, or engineers, and will not provide such services, unless expressly stated otherwise in this Proposal. The Client shall furnish reasonable access to all parts of the project site to allow Gregg Drilling to perform its work.

3 Engagement:

A signed Copy of this proposal OR an executed client-generated written agreement must be in place before the Project will be scheduled. Should a client-generated agreement be required, this Proposal, including its terms and conditions without modification, must be fully incorporated into such agreement. In addition, such agreement must be provided to Gregg Drilling reasonably in advance (not less than 1 week) of the anticipated Project commencement date to allow adequate time for review, negotiation, and acceptance. Gregg Drilling will not allocate resources or commence any Project tasks without first having a signed Proposal, executed agreement, and/or task-specific work order in place.

4 Proposal Validity

This proposal is valid for 60 days from its date. If this proposal is not accepted in writing by the Client on or before the expiration of such period, this proposal shall automatically lapse and be of no further force or effect. At any time before the Client accepts this proposal in writing, Gregg Drilling may review the proposed pricing, scope of services, schedule, and conditions and, at its sole discretion, issue a revised or updated proposal. The revised proposal will replace all prior proposals.

5 Variable Cost Escalation

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the pricing in this proposal is based on the direct costs in effect on the date of this proposal. Due to current market volatility, Gregg Drilling shall be entitled to an equitable adjustment to its price if there is a significant increase (five percent (5%) or more) in the cost of fuel, material, equipment, labor, or other inputs to perform the work. Any such adjustments will be discussed with the Client prior to Gregg Drilling charging for the same.

6 Limitation of Liability:

Gregg Drilling's total liability to the Client for any injuries, claims, losses, expenses, or damages, arising out of or in any way related to the services or this Proposal from any cause or causes shall not exceed the amount paid by the Client to Gregg Drilling for the services. Gregg Drilling shall not be liable to the Client for indirect, incidental, punitive, special, or consequential damages.

7 Billing, Cancellation, and Termination:

The preceding prices and quantities represent Gregg Drilling's best estimate for the tasks as we understand them; however, they do not represent guaranteed maximum or not-to-exceed prices. The Client will be billed at the unit rates presented in this proposal multiplied by the actual number of units required to complete the work. A \$2,000.00 cancellation fee may be charged if a project is cancelled or delayed within 2 business days of the scheduled start date. The above prices are valid for 60 days of date of this Proposal; after 60 days, all prices are subject to review/modification. Gregg Drilling may terminate this Proposal at any time if Client fails to fulfill its obligations.

8 Utilities:

Unless expressly provided otherwise in this proposal, the Client accepts the responsibility for locating and marking all drilling locations and for contacting Underground Service Alert/DIG ALERT, and opening a DIG ALERT TICKET a minimum of 3 and a maximum of 14 days prior to drilling. This number shall be submitted to Gregg Drilling to enable Gregg Drilling to obtain a dig ticket a minimum of 72 hours prior to work commencement. Gregg Drilling shall not be held liable for any damage to underground utilities or any related losses.

9 Payment Terms:

Unless otherwise provided in this Proposal, Client will be invoiced following substantial completion of the work, or by progressive billing (monthly) on projects of significant duration. All bills are due and payable in full within 30 days from the date of the invoice. Invoices not paid within 30 days will be subject to a 1.5% per month finance charge. For clients with existing Master Service Agreements (MSA), payment terms will be in accordance with the MSA.

10 Acceptance of quote:

By signing this Proposal, the Client acknowledges it has read, understood, and agreed to this Proposal's terms and conditions and that this Proposal represents the complete and exclusive understanding between the Client and Gregg Drilling. This Proposal supersedes all prior discussions and agreements, oral or written, related to the subject matter of this Proposal.

Quote prepared by
Gregg Drilling, LLC

Name: Alex Sancen

Title: Project Manager

Quote accepted by
Thomas Harder Company

Signature: _____

Name/Title: _____



Date: April 17, 2026

Date: _____

*Gregg Drilling, LLC has over 40 years of experience with environmental and geotechnical drilling services. We are one of the largest site investigation providers in the Western United States, offering a full range of drilling services, including: **Air Rotary, Mud Rotary, Hollow-Stem Auger, Sonic, Direct-Push, Cone Penetration Test (CPT), In Situ Remediation, and Well Development services**. Clients choose Gregg because we deliver high-quality drilling services safely, on-time and on-budget.*