



MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS HELD OCTOBER 13, 2025

At approximately 1:00 p.m. on October 13, 2025, 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
Andrew Brazil
Eric Shannon
Joe Cardoza
Stephen Johnson

David Van Groningen

Clinton Church
Paul Boyer
Rolland Rosas (alt)

Directors Absent:

Brian Watte

Jared De Groot

Also Present:

Mark Larsen
Aubrey Mauritsen
Shawn Corley
Rachel Glauser
John Gailey
Andrew Hart
Geoff Vanden Heuval
Don Tucker
Tom Harder

Dennis Mills
Tammy McVay
Steve Jackson
Gene Kilgore
Lance Mouw
Scott Rogers

PUBLIC COMMENT:

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

CORRESPONDENCE AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Miscellaneous Items

General Manager Larsen reported the State of the Subbasin will be held at the Ag Expo on October 21, 2025.

GSA REPORTS AND COMMITTEE DISCUSSION:

*(*all reports are located in the agenda packet.)*

Water Forum Update

General Manager Larsen provided a report.

Committees and Activities

Technical Advisory Committee

September 18, 2025- Canceled

General Manager Larsen advised that the Technical Advisory Committee met this past month.

Discussion ensued.

Next Meeting Scheduled for October 16, 2025 at 1:30 p.m.

General Manager Larsen advised that the next Technical Advisory Meeting will be held on October 16, 2025 at 1:30 p.m.

Combined Rural Communities & Stakeholder Committees

September 22, 2025 – Canceled

General Manager Larsen advised that the Combined Rural Communities and Stakeholder Committees scheduled for September 22, 2025 was canceled.

Next Meeting Scheduled for October 27, 2025 at 1:30 p.m.

The next meeting of the combined committees will be held on October 27, 2025, at 1:30 p.m.

Kaweah Subbasin Management

Grants Status

General Manager Larsen provided a status report on the MLRP application process.

LandIQ/Water Dashboard Status

General Manager Larsen had no report.

MLRP Development Funding Availability Application

General Manager Larsen reported efforts are underway for scoring of various projects.

CONSENT CALENDAR:

Consider Approval of Minutes for the September 8, 2025, Board Meeting

General Manager Larsen referred the Board to Agenda Item #5a, a copy of the September 8, 2025, minutes, which are attached hereto and incorporated by reference.

Director Shannon moved and Alt. Director Rosas seconded to approve the September 8, 2025, minutes. The Board unanimously approved the motion.

FINANCIAL

Consider Approval of Financial Report for the Third Quarter ending September 30, 2025

General Manager Larsen provided a report. Attached hereto and incorporated by reference as Agenda Item #6a is a copy of the Financial Report.

**Director Vander Poel arrived at this time.*

Director Shannon moved and Director Van Groningen seconded to approve the Financial Report for the Third Quarter as presented in the agenda packet. The Board unanimously approved the motion.

Preview draft 2026 Budget elements

General Manager Larsen referred the board to Agenda Item #6b, a copy of a proposed FY 2026 Budget.

Discussion ensued.

Public comment from Geoff Vanden Heuvel.

Discussion continued.

Public comment from Scott Rogers.

Discussion continued.

Public comment from Dennis Mills.

Discussion ensued.

Public comment from Gene Kilgore.

Discussion ensued.

DASHBOARD GROUNDWATER INVOICING

Status Report on 2023 Water Year

Chairman Tantau reported the topic will be reported on in the next agenda item.

Status Report on 2024 Water Year

General Manager Larsen had no report.

TIER 1 & 2 PENALTY ENFORCEMENT:

Staff Report on Delinquent Tier Penalty Accounts.

General Manager Larsen provided a report on the Tier Penalty Accounts.

Public Hearing on Tier Penalties. Written protests by individuals will be accepted up until the end of the Hearing.

Chairman Tantau opened the public hearing at 1:41 p.m.

No comments received.

Close Public Hearing.

Chairman Tantau closed the public hearing 1:41 p.m.

ACTION – Consider Approval of Resolution 2025- [6] authorizing staff to record certificates of lien for delinquent Tier Penalties.

Attached hereto and incorporated by reference as Agenda Item #8d is a copy of Resolution 2025-06.

Director Shannon moved and Director Van Groningen seconded to approve Resolution 2025-06. The Board unanimously approved the motion.

Discussion ensued.

LAND IQ ET:

Presentation of Daily Irrigation Management Tool

General Manager Larsen a report on the possibility of a daily irrigation management tool from Land IQ.

Discussion ensued.

Public comment from Geoff Vanden Heuvel and Gene Kilgore.

Discussion ensued.

Public comment from Dennis Mills.

Board directed the concept to the stakeholder committee for further discussion.

GREATER RULES AND REGULATIONS

Transfer Policy status report

General Manager Larsen provided a report.

Consider approval of revisions to Rules and Regulations

General Counsel Mauritson reviewed the draft Rules and Regulations. Attached hereto and incorporated by reference as Agenda Item #10b is a copy of the draft Fourth Amended Rules and Regulations.

Discussion ensued.

Public comment from Dennis Mills, Gene Kilgore, Scott Rogers, Andrew Hart, Johnny Gailey, and other unidentified members of the public.

Director Vander Poel moved and Director Cardoza seconded to approve the revisions to Rules and Regulations as presented in the Agenda Packet, with the exception that on page 15, subsection (2), the effective date for such revisions shall begin with Water Year 2025's Allocation. The Board unanimously approved the motion.

Public comment from Carlos Cervantes.

Discussion ensued.

The board unanimously approved.

WY 2026 ALLOCATION

Status Report

General Manager Larsen provided a report.

Review Technical Memorandum from 4Creeks setting Water Year 2026 Allocations

Don Tucker, 4Creeks, provided a report. Attached hereto and incorporated by reference as Agenda Item #11b is a copy of his PowerPoint presentation. He noted precipitation was slightly down from the prior year's allocation. For the following year, Mr. Tucker noted the allocations will be as follows:

- Native Sustainable Yield 0.83 ac-ft/acre
- Tier 1 Penalty Allocation 0.31 ac-ft/acre
- Tier 2 Penalty Allocation 0.23 ac-ft/acre
- Precipitation Range East-West from 11.0 inches to 3.0 inches.

Discussion ensued.

Review September 8, 2025, approved Resolution setting Water Year 2026 Penalty Rate for Tier 1, Tier 2, and Tier 3 Water

General Manager Larsen reported current penalty rates are: \$150.00 for Tier 1; \$250.00 for Tier 2; and \$500.00 for Tier 3 as established by the board on September 8, 2025.

MITIGATION PLAN

Status Report

General Manager Larsen did not have a general status report.

Haul Water Supply and access site update

General Manager Larsen provided a status report.

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

Don Tucker, 4Creeks, provided a status report. No claims were ready for approval.

Public comment from Tami McVay.

Discussion ensued.

GREATER KAWEAH LAND FOLLOWING PROGRAM

2025 Program status report

General Manager Larsen provided a report. Sierra Rodriguez provided a summary. The GSA has received \$1.6 million in applications. Only one landowner has opted out and several have signed contracts.

Discussion ensued.

Public comment from Geoff Vanden Heuvel.

GREATER KAWEAH MONITORING WELL NETWORK

Status Report

General Manager Larsen did not have a status report.

Update from Thomas Harder & Company on Priority Monitoring Well Locations

Tom Harder from Thomas Harder and Company provided a report. He reported a preferred site had been identified.

KAWEAH SUBBASIN GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY PLANS (GSPs)

Status Report

General Manager Larsen reported a rumor that state board staff will be recommending to the board to refer the Kaweah Subbasin back to DWR.

Update on Core Team activity

General Manager Larsen provided a report on the following core team activity:

- Water quality. Work continues on replacing wells and RMS sites.
- Interconnected surface waters. There has been some activity to install transducers on existing wells.
- Land subsidence. The team is still digesting the BMPs by DWR.
- Regional strategy. RMS map is still proceeding.
- Mitigation core team. The subbasin continues to coordinate.
- Small community well group. Not much activity the past month.
- Water accounting frame work. Continue to adjust the numbers and be a work in progress.
- Well inventory. Continue to locate wells via satellite and visual inspections.

Discussion ensued.

Public comment received from unidentified individual.

KAWEAH SUBBASIN WELL INVENTORY AND WELL REGISTRATION

Status Report

General Manager Larsen nothing further to report.

NEXT MEETING DATE

Scheduled Meeting November 10, 2025 at 1:00 p.m.

Chairman Tantau announced that the next regular meeting of the Groundwater Sustainability Agency will commence on Monday, November 10, 2025, 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 ITEMS

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