

The County of Santa Cruz and the State Governor had issued shelter-in-place orders that were in effect during the time of this meeting. In accordance with these orders, the Santa Margarita Groundwater Agency conducted its August Board of Directors meeting in an exclusively remote-access format.

## 1. CONVENE MEETING

- 1.1 Call to Order and Roll Call  
Chair Perri called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m.

**Directors (Alternates acting as voting Directors shown in italics):**

E. Cassidy, J. Dilles, D. Engfer, A. Franklin, B. McPherson, *R. Moran*, D. Pollock, R. Stiles, L. Henry, C. Perri

**Alternates (Present as non-voting observers):**

B. Ekwall, D. Lind

**Staff:**

C. Blanchard, P. Harmon, R. Menard, J. Ricker, S. Ryan, N. Wallace

**Others:**

D. Ceppos, G. King, C. Neill, T. Rein

- 1.2 Additions/Deletions to the Agenda

The Board discussed removing the item "Approach for Developing Minimum Thresholds, Measurable Objectives, and Undesirable Results for Depletion of Interconnected Surface Water". Staff responded to questions.

**MOTION:** Henry/Cassidy to remove and reschedule the item "Approach for Developing Minimum Thresholds, Measurable Objectives, and Undesirable Results for Depletion of Interconnected Surface Water" (4.1.3).

**AYES:** D. Engfer, *R. Moran*, L. Henry, C. Perri

**NOES:** E. Cassidy, J. Dilles, A. Franklin, B. McPherson, D. Pollock, R. Stiles

**ABSTAIN:** None

**ABSENT:** J. Leopold

- 1.3 Oral communications on items not on the Agenda

One public comment was heard.

Two comments were heard from individual Directors.

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**2. ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS**

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None

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**3. CONSENT AGENDA**

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None

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**4. GENERAL BUSINESS**

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4.1 Informational Session – Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) Elements

4.1.1 GSP Roadmap – August 27, 2020

No comments were received on this item.

4.1.2 Surface Water Technical Advisory Group Meeting

S. Ryan presented information from the Surface Water Technical Advisory Group meeting and responded to questions.

J. Dilles and D. Pollock reported on the Surface Water Technical Advisory Group meeting.

One public comment was heard.

4.1.3 Sustainable Management Criteria for Interconnected Surface Water, Degraded Groundwater Quality, and Chronic Lowering of Groundwater Levels (Dave Ceppos [California State University, Sacramento], Georgina King [Montgomery & Associates], and Chelsea Neill [Balance Hydrologics])

- Approach for Developing Minimum Thresholds, Measurable Objectives, and Undesirable Results for Depletion of Interconnected Surface Water
- Approach for Developing Undesirable Results for Degraded Groundwater Quality
- Proposed Minimum Thresholds and Measurable Objectives for Chronic Lowering of Groundwater Levels
- Contents of Section 2 On Plan Area and Basin Setting

C. Neill presented information on the proposed approach for developing minimum Thresholds, Measurable Objectives and responded to questions. D. Ceppos facilitated a conversation the Board, staff, and members of the public.

Four public comments were heard.

Staff requested Director input statements on minimum thresholds, measurable objectives, and undesirable results for depletion of interconnected surface water be emailed to N. Wallace by close of business on September 10<sup>th</sup>.

G. King presented information on developing undesirable results definitions for degraded groundwater quality. D. Ceppos facilitated a conversation the Board, staff, and members of the public.

Staff requested Director input statements on undesirable results for groundwater quality be emailed to N. Wallace by close of business on September 10<sup>th</sup>.

Three public comments were heard

G. King presented information on the draft section 2 of the GSP and responded to questions.

Staff advised that the draft section 2 of the GSP will be provided to the board in the near future with the substantive comments related to the content from the board to staff requested back within 2 months following the distribution of the draft document. Staff will compile the comments and present them to the Board in the November/December meeting.

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**5. STAFF REPORTS**

None

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**6. DIRECTORS REPORTS**

None

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**7. FUTURE ITEMS**

- Records Retention Policy
  - Financial Controls for Borrowing Money
- Informational Sessions
- Groundwater Sustainability Plan Elements

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**8. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

- None

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**9. EVENTS CALENDAR**

- Groundwater Resources Association of California Third Annual Western Groundwater Congress, September 14 – September 17, 2020 Virtual Event

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**10. ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION: Engfer/Stiles to adjourn the meeting at 8:33 p.m.

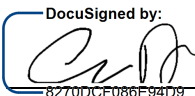
AYES: E. Cassidy, J. Dilles, D. Engfer, A. Franklin, B. McPherson, *R. Moran*, D. Pollock, R. Stiles, L. Henry, C. Perri

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: J. Leopold

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