SACRAMENTO GROUNDWATER AUTHORITY

Board Meeting Final Minutes October 10, 2024

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Selsky called the regular meeting of the SGA Board of Directors to order on October 10, 2024 at 9:03 a.m. at the RWA conference room located at 2295 Gateway Oaks Drive, Suite 100, Sacramento, CA 95833.

A quorum was established of 10 participating members. Individuals in attendance are listed below:

Board Members

Paul Selsky, Carmichael Water District, Chair
Marcus Yasutake, City of Folsom
Brett Ewart, City of Sacramento
Kerry Schmitz, County of Sacramento
Gwynne Pratt, Del Paso Manor Water District
Randy Marx, Fair Oaks Water District
Mary Garrison Harris, Rio Linda/Elverta CWD
Jay Boatwright, Sacramento Suburban Water District
Ted Costa, San Juan Water District
Clint Luedtke, Self-Supplied Industry, Del Paso Country Club

Staff Members

Jim Peifer, Trevor Joseph, Tom Hoffart, Ryan Ojakian, Ashley Flores and Chris Sanders, legal counsel

Others in Attendance

Todd Eising, City of Folsom; Chris Shepard, Orange Vale Water Company; Christy Kennedy, Woodard & Curran; Jim Blanke, Woodard & Curran; Jeanna Long, Woodard & Curran; Kevin Thomas, Sacramento Suburban Water District; Craig Locke, Sacramento Suburban Water District; Cathy Lee, Carmichael Water District; John Wingerter, Orange Vale Water Company; Greg Zlotnick, San Juan Water District; Paul Helliker, San Juan Water District; and Tony Barela, San Juan Water District

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

3. CONSENT CALENDAR

3.1 Approve the draft meeting minutes of August 8, 2024 SGA Board meeting.

3.2 Approve SGA Policy 400.1 (Investment Policy), no revisions made.

A motion was made to approve the Consent Calendar.

Motion/Second/Carried Director Ewart moved with a second by Director Pratt

Paul Selsky, Carmichael Water District, Chair; Marcus Yasutake, City of Folsom; Brett Ewart, City of Sacramento; Kerry Schmitz, County of Sacramento; Gwynne Pratt, Del Paso Manor Water District; Randy Marx, Fair Oaks Water District; Mary Garrison Harris, Rio Linda/Elverta CWD; Jay Boatwright, Sacramento Suburban Water District; Ted Costa, San Juan Water District; and Clint Luedtke, Self-Supplied Industry, Del Paso Country Club. Voted yes.

Ayes- 10 Noes- 0 Abstained- 0 Absent- 6

4. PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH WOODARD & CURRAN

This is an action item for the Board of Directors to approve a Professional Services Agreement in the amount not to exceed \$352,881 with Woodard & Curran for consulting services to support Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) implementation and other groundwater management activities.

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Motion/Second/Carried: Director Costa moved with a second by Director Boatwright

Paul Selsky, Carmichael Water District, Chair; Marcus Yasutake, City of Folsom; Brett Ewart, City of Sacramento; Kerry Schmitz, County of Sacramento; Gwynne Pratt, Del Paso Manor Water District; Randy Marx, Fair Oaks Water District; Mary Garrison Harris, Rio Linda/Elverta CWD; Jay Boatwright, Sacramento Suburban Water District; Ted Costa, San Juan Water District; and Clint Luedtke, Self-Supplied Industry, Del Paso Country Club. Voted yes.

Ayes- 10 Noes- 0 Abstained- 0 Absent- 6

5. FALL WATER LEVEL DATA COLLECTION AND SUPPORT 2026/2027 GROUNDWATER SUSTAINBILITY PLAN 5-YEAR UPDATE

This was an action item presented by Trevor Joseph for the Sacramento Groundwater Authority Board of Directors to consider and approve Task Orders 24-03 and 24-04 with GEI Consulting, Inc. for professional services supporting implementation of the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) and supporting regulatory activities. This additional work will support ongoing efforts on the Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) implementation (Attachment 1- TO 24-03) and aid Woodard & Curran and SGA staff with the preparation of GSP 5-year assessment and GSP update.

A motion was made to Approve Task Orders with GEI Consulting, Inc. for the following:

- 1) Task Order 24-03 in the amount of \$14,300 implementation of the SGMA; and
- 2) Task Order 24-04 in the amount of \$17,100 for supporting regulatory activities.

Motion/Second/Carried: Director Costa moved with a second by Director Boatwright

Paul Selsky, Carmichael Water District, Chair; Marcus Yasutake, City of Folsom; Brett Ewart, City of Sacramento; Kerry Schmitz, County of Sacramento; Gwynne Pratt, Del Paso Manor Water District; Randy Marx, Fair Oaks Water District; Mary Garrison Harris, Rio Linda/Elverta CWD; Jay Boatwright, Sacramento Suburban Water District; Ted Costa, San Juan Water District; and Clint Luedtke, Self-Supplied Industry, Del Paso Country Club. Voted yes.

Ayes- 10 Noes- 0 Abstained- 0 Absent- 6

6. SGA ENGAGEMENT WITH SACRAMENTO REGIONAL WATER BANK

This is an information/discussion item for the Board of Directors to receive an update by Trevor Joseph, Manager of Technical Services on Sacramento Groundwater Authority Engagement with Sacramento Regional Water Bank. An ad hoc committee, assembled by Chair Selsky has formed to engage with Regional Water Authority staff on the topic of previously banked water for potential recognition as a starting water balance under the Sacramento Regional Water Bank development project.

The topic of potential recognition of previously banked water documented as part of SGA's Water Accounting Framework and potentially other conjunctive use banking activities in the North and South America Subbasins. A potential previously banked water could be transferred to the Water Bank Water Accounting System as a Sacramento Regional Water Bank starting balance prior to implementation. RWA staff working on behalf of Water Bank participating agencies is seeking support on criteria

and a potential volume of water that would be transferred from the SGA's Water Accounting Framework to the Water Bank Water Accounting System. The SGA ad hoc committee met on September 13, 2024, to begin the process of defining acceptable criteria and a possible volume of water for the SGA Board of Directors to consider at a future meeting.

No action taken this item was for information/discussion only.

7. DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES INTERCONNECTED SURFACE WATER GUIDANCE DOCUMENT BRIEFING

This is an information/discussion item for the Board of Directors to receive a presentation by Trevor Joseph, Manager of Technical Services on the recently released Department of Water Resources Interconnected Surface Water Guidance Document.

On September 20, 2024, the Department of Water Resources released two guidance documents on the subject of interconnected surface water. These guidance documents are specifically defined to Groundwater Sustainability Agencies, stakeholders, and other interested parties address challenging Sustainable Groundwater Management Act requirements related to this topic. Department of Water Resources released its long-awaited draft papers on interconnected surface water depletion, opening a 45-day comment period.

No action taken this item was for information/discussion only.

8. APPOINTMENT OF NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE FOR 2025 SGA OFFICERS

This was an action item presented by Trevor Joseph for the Sacramento Groundwater Authority Board of Directors to consider and approve Task Orders 24-03 and 24-04 with GEI Consulting, Inc. for professional services supporting implementation of the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) and supporting regulatory activities. This additional work will support ongoing efforts on the Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) implementation (Attachment 1- TO 24-03) and aid Woodard & Curran and SGA staff with the preparation of GSP 5-year assessment and GSP update.

Chair Selsky appointed the following Directors to the Nominations Committee for 2025 SGA Officers:

Marcus Yasutake, City of Folsom Gwynne Pratt, Del Paso Manor Water District Mary Garrison Harris, Rio Linda/Elverta CWD

9. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Executive Director Peifer reported that the Holiday party will be at the Delta King on

December 12, 2024.

10.DIRECTORS' COMMENTS

Director Yasutake reported that the City of Folsom is conducting a recruitment for City Manager. Recruitment closes on October 27th.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the Board, Chair Selsky adjourned the meeting at 10:13 a.m.

By:

Paul Selsky, SGA Chair

Attest:

Ashley Flores, CMC, Clerk of the Board