

# Glenn Groundwater Authority

## Groundwater Sustainability Agency

225 N. Tehama Street, Willows, CA 95988 | 530.934.6540

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### Meeting of the Glenn Groundwater Authority Board of Directors

October 9, 2023 | 1:30 PM

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#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

The Chairperson will call the meeting to order and lead the [flag salute](#).

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#### 2. ROLL CALL

Roll call will be conducted.

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#### 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. \*Approval of the special meeting minutes from July 26, 2023.
- b. \*Approval of the meeting minutes from August 14, 2023.
- c. \*Approval of the meeting minutes from September 12, 2023.

Draft meeting minutes from the July 26, 2023 meeting, August 14, 2023, and September 12, 2023 meetings are attached.

#### Attachments

- July 26, 2023 GGA Board special meeting minutes
- August 14, 2023 GGA Board meeting minutes
- September 12, 2023 GGA Board meeting minutes

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### Special Meeting Minutes

#### Glenn Groundwater Authority Board of Directors

July 26, 2023 | 1:30 p.m.

LOCATION: 225 North Tehama Street, Willows, CA 95988

Public participation was also offered via teleconference; accessible via telephone, computer, smartphone or tablet.

Director Members Present:	Alternate/2 <sup>nd</sup> Alternate Directors	Agency Representing:
X Grant Carmon	Tom Arnold	County of Glenn
X Bruce Roundy	R Pete Carr	City of Orland
	Ed Vonasek (2 <sup>nd</sup> )	City of Orland
X Gary Hansen (23/24 Chair)	Evan Markey	City of Willows
X Matt Deadmond	Michael Alves	Glide Water District
X John Amaro (23/24 Vice Chair)	Thad Bettner	Glenn-Colusa Irrigation District
X Charles Schonauer	X Emil Cavagnolo	Orland-Artois Water District
X Randy Hansen	Wade Danley	Kanawha Water District
X Mark Lohse	Seth Fiack	Monroeville Water District
X Gary Enos	R Lance Boyd	Princeton-Codora-Glenn Irrigation District/ Provident Irrigation District

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Others in attendance:

Lisa Hunter (GGA/Glenn County), Kaitlyn Murray (GGA/Glenn County), Valerie Kincaid (GGA Counsel), Matt Hansen, Del Reimers, Juleah Cordi, Teri DuBose, Marc Frelier, Mallory Serrao, Holly Reimers, Jenny Scheer (Water and Land Solutions), Doug Ross, Brandon Davison (DWR)

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

- Chairman Amaro called the meeting to order at 1:33 p.m. and Director Enos led the pledge of allegiance.

#### 2. ROLL CALL

- Roll call was taken as indicated above.

#### 3. ELECTION OF OFFICERS EFFECTIVE JULY 26, 2023 FOR A TERM ENDING JUNE 30, 2024.

- \*Election of Chairperson
- \*Election of Vice-Chairperson
- \*Election of Secretary
- \*Confirm appointment of Treasurer as County of Glenn

- Chairman Amaro opened nominations for chairperson. Director Carmon nominated Gary Hansen for Chairperson. No other nominations were made, and Chairman Amaro closed the nominations.
- Chairman Amaro opened nominations for vice chairperson. Director Gary Hansen nominated John Amaro for vice chairperson. No other nominations were made, and Chairman Amaro closed the nominations.
- Chairman Amaro nominated Lisa Hunter as Secretary and the County of Glenn as Treasurer. No other nominations were made, and Chairman Amaro closed the nominations.

**No other discussion was heard, and the slate of nominations were unanimously approved.**

**The newly appointed Chairman, Gary Hansen (Chairman Hansen), assumed Chairman duties and thanked Vice Chairman Amaro.**

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. \*Approval of the special meeting minutes from July 17, 2023.
  - Chairman Hansen invited comments or changes to the July 17, 2023 special meeting minutes; whereby, none were heard.

**On motion by Director Schonauer, seconded by Vice Chairman Amaro, the special meeting minutes of the July 17, 2023 meeting was unanimously approved as presented.**

5. PERIOD OF PUBLIC COMMENT

- Chairman Hansen invited public comments; whereby, no public comments were presented or heard.

6. STAFF UPDATES

- Ms. Hunter provided an update on the Recharge Pilot Project and stated an Ad Hoc Committee meeting is being scheduled. She further stated the agreements between Rick Martin and the City of Orland have been executed and those sites are ready to move forward. She is working with Orland Unit Water Users Association (OUWUA) and the landowners regarding the invoicing process and other logistics. She asked the Board for direction on the water payments and whether they prefer prior approval of invoices before processing or processing the water payments as needed as long as the payments are within the allocated funding amount. There was general consensus from the Board to move forward as quickly as possible regardless of prior approval.

7. FINANCIAL REPORT

- a. \*Review and consider approval of claims.
  - Ms. Hunter stated the June invoice from Luhdorff & Scalmanini Consulting Engineers (LSCE) was included in the claims summary. There was discussion regarding discrepancies on charges specifically relating to the mailings done during the billing period and the number of hours for translating the notice. There was general consensus from the Board to pull the LSCE invoice from the claims summary for further review by the Ad Hoc Committee, Counsel, and staff.

**On motion by Director Schonauer, seconded by Director Randy Hansen it was unanimously ordered to pay the remaining invoices listed in the claims summary from Paris Kincaid Wasiewski and the Geosyntec Consultants.**

8. \*CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE PROPOSAL FROM PROVOST & PRITCHARD CONSULTING GROUP TITLED ADDENDUM #4 TO CONSULTANT SERVICES AGREEMENT (CSA) NO. 18-344- CONSULTING SERVICES FOR TAX YEAR 2023-2024 DIRECT CHARGE PREPARATION, GLENN GROUNDWATER AUTHORITY, GLENN COUNTY, CALIFORNIA AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRMAN TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT PENDING LEGAL REVIEW

- Ms. Hunter stated she contacted Provost & Pritchard regarding services for the 2023-2024 tax year. She detailed the proposal they returned, noting it was essentially identical to prior years with updated dates.

**On motion by Director Carmon, seconded by Director Roundy it was unanimously ordered to approve the proposal from Provost & Pritchard Consulting Group Titled Addendum #4 to Consultant Services Agreement (CSA) NO. 18-344-Consulting Services for Tax Year 2023-2024 Direct Charge Preparation, Glenn Groundwater**

**Authority, Glenn County, California and authorize the chairman to execute an agreement pending legal review.**

9. GLENN GROUNDWATER AUTHORITY OPERATIONS FEE

- a. \*Adopt the Glenn Groundwater Authority Operations Fee per acre for Fiscal Year 2023/2024.
- b. \*Adopt Resolution 2023-003 Authorizing the County to Collect Property-Related Fees on the County Tax Roll and Indemnification of the Collecting Agency.
- c. \*Authorize the Program Manger to complete or direct the completion of all tasks necessary for the completion of the submittal packet to the Glenn County Department of Finance.

- Ms. Hunter stated as done in prior years, this item is to adopt the annual fee and the resolution allowing the fees to be placed on the tax rolls as well as authorizing the Program Manager to complete necessary tasks to submit the completed packet. There was discussion on the per acre fee and how different fee options would affect the budget.

**On motion by Director Roundy, seconded by Director Schonauer it was unanimously ordered to adopt the Glenn Groundwater Authority Operations Fee at \$1.50 per acre for Fiscal Year 2023/2024.**

- Ms. Hunter stated the resolution is standard with updated information.

**On motion by Director Roundy, seconded by Director Enos, it was ordered by the following roll call vote to adopt Resolution 2023-003 Authorizing the County to Collect Property-Related Fees on the County Tax Roll and Indemnification of the Collecting Agency.**

**AYES: Director Carmon, Director Roundy, Chairman Gary Hansen, Director Deadmond, Vice Chairman Amaro, Director Schonauer, Director Randy Hansen, Director Lohse, Director Enos**

**NOES: None**

**ABSENT OR ABSTAIN: None**

- Ms. Hunter stated the Department of Finance distributed a packet of information to be completed and submitted by August 10, 2023 in order to include fees on the tax bills.

**On motion by Vice Chairman Amaro, seconded by Director Carmon, it was unanimously ordered to authorize the Program Manager to complete or direct the completion of all tasks necessary for the completion of the submittal packet to the Glenn County Department of Finance.**

10. GSP IMPLEMENTATION FEE PROJECT

- a. Receive an update on the GGA Fee Project.

- Ms. Hunter stated postcards will be sent out affirming the fee project has been rescinded for this year. She discussed the details of that process and asked for direction on the preferred mailing list to use to distribute the postcards. There was general consensus to use the original mailing list to ensure each parcel notified previously, would be informed the fee project was rescinded for this year. Ms. Hunter stated the information would be posted on the website as well as on the door of City Hall where the Public Hearing was to take place during the time the meeting was scheduled.
- There was consensus to continue the fee project discussions regularly and agendaize for the next meeting.

11. \*CONSIDER CANCELLING August 7, 2023 SPECIAL MEETING.

- No discussion was heard on Item 11.

**On motion by Vice Chairman Amaro, seconded by Director Randy Hansen it was unanimously ordered to cancel the August 7, 2023 Special Meeting.**

12. CLOSED SESSION

Gov't Code §54956.9 – Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated or significant exposure to litigation regarding tax refund claims and challenges to previously adopted property related fees.

13. CLOSED SESSION

Gov't Code §54956.9 – Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation  
Aqualliance, California Water Impact Network, and California Sportfishing Alliance vs. Colusa Groundwater Authority, Glenn Groundwater Authority  
Colusa County Superior Court - Case Number CV24584

14. CLOSED SESSION

Gov't Code § 54956.9 (d)(2) Conference with Legal Counsel – Significant exposure to litigation – one matter.

- Chairman Hansen invited comments on Items 12, 13, or 14; whereby, no public comments were presented or heard.
- The Board adjourned to closed session at 2:04 p.m.

15. REPORT OUT FROM CLOSED SESSION

- The Board returned from closed session at 2:15 p.m.
- Chairman Hansen stated there were no reportable actions for Items 12, 13, and 14.

16. MEMBER REPORTS AND COMMENTS

- Director Roundy expressed excitement to see the recharge projects moving forward. There was some discussion on the water schedule and other details about the projects. There was further discussion on water levels throughout the county.

17. NEXT MEETING

- The next regular meeting is scheduled for August 14, 2023 at 1:30 p.m.

18. ADJOURN

- The meeting was adjourned at 2:22 p.m.

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### Meeting Minutes

#### Glenn Groundwater Authority Board of Directors

August 14, 2023 | 1:30 p.m.

LOCATION: 225 North Tehama Street, Willows, CA 95988

Public participation was also offered via teleconference; accessible via telephone, computer, smartphone or tablet.

Director Members Present:	Alternate/2 <sup>nd</sup> Alternate Directors	Agency Representing:
X Grant Carmon	Tom Arnold	County of Glenn
X Bruce Roundy	Pete Carr	City of Orland
	Ed Vonasek (2 <sup>nd</sup> )	City of Orland
X Gary Hansen (23/24 Chair)	R Evan Markey	City of Willows
X Matt Deadmond	Michael Alves	Glide Water District
X John Amaro (23/24 Vice Chair)	Thad Bettner	Glenn-Colusa Irrigation District
X Charles Schonauer	X Emil Cavagnolo	Orland-Artois Water District
X Randy Hansen	Wade Danley	Kanawha Water District
X Mark Lohse	Seth Fiack	Monroeville Water District
X Gary Enos	Lance Boyd	Princeton-Codora-Glenn Irrigation District/ Provident Irrigation District

Directors attending remotely are designated with "R" and are not counted toward a quorum, do not vote, and are considered members of the public.

#### Others in attendance:

Lisa Hunter (GGA/Glenn County), Valerie Kincaid (GGA Counsel), Jenny Scheer (Water and Land Solutions), Joe Turner (Geosyntec), Teri DuBose, Matt Hansen, Ryan Fulton (Larry Walker Associates), Brandon Davison (DWR), Marc Frelier, Michael Ward, George Pendell

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

- Chairman Gary Hansen (Chairman Hansen) called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. and Vice Chairman Amaro led the pledge of allegiance.

#### 2. ROLL CALL

- Roll Call was taken as indicated above.

#### 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- \*Approval of the special meeting minutes from July 26, 2023.

- The special meeting minutes from July 26, 2023 were not available.

#### 4. PERIOD OF PUBLIC COMMENT

- Chairman Hansen invited public comments; whereby, none were heard.

#### 5. STAFF UPDATES

- Ms. Hunter stated seven Well Permit Acknowledgement forms were received in the last month.

- Ms. Hunter stated she will be meeting with the Glenn County Resource Conservation District regarding the Glenn County Recharge Development Plan grant application that was submitted last year.
- Ms. Hunter stated the Public Hearing relating to fees that was scheduled for August 7, 2023 had been cancelled, and cancellation notices were posted on the website and on doors of the meeting location during the scheduled meeting time. She was also present on site to alleviate any confusion from the public.

#### 6. FINANCIAL REPORT

- \*Review and accept Monthly Activities Report.
  - \*Review and consider approval of claims.
- The Monthly Activities Report was not available.
  - There was no discussion on Item 6.b.

**On motion by Director Schonauer, seconded by Director Enos, it was unanimously ordered to approve the claims as presented.**

#### 7. FISCAL YEAR 2022/2023 ANNUAL AUDIT

- \*Consider approval of the CliftonLarsonAllen LLP Statement of Work to provide services to complete the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Annual Audit pending Counsel review and authorize the Chairman to execute the agreement in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.
- Ms. Hunter stated CliftonLarsonAllen LLP provided services to complete the 2021-2022 annual audit with the option to extend the agreement for three fiscal years. She stated the amount of \$10,000 is consistent with the proposal and the 2023-2024 budget.

**On motion by Director Carmon, seconded by Director Roundy it was unanimously ordered to approve the CliftonLarsonAllen LLP Statement of Work to provide services to complete the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Annual Audit pending Counsel review and authorize the Chairman to execute the agreement in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.**

#### 8. COLUSA SUBBASIN GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY PLAN IMPLEMENTATION

- Ms. Hunter stated DWR has expressed interest in installing GPS subsidence monitoring stations in the Colusa Subbasin. She stated she is meeting with the CGA Program Manager and DWR staff to discuss the opportunity and related details to implement the project.
- Ms. Hunter stated she has a meeting scheduled with The Nature Conservancy to discuss a potential partnership on work related to groundwater dependent ecosystems.

#### 9. GGA GROUNDWATER RECHARGE SERVICES

- Receive an update on groundwater recharge services.
  - Discuss prioritization themes for long-term project identification planning.
  - Discuss potential outreach opportunities for groundwater recharge pilot project implementation activities.
- Ms. Hunter stated 119 acre-feet of water was purchased which is enough for approximately 5 rotations at one site. She stated the City of Orland has also purchased water and a meeting is scheduled to discuss the reimbursement process. She further discussed outreach options, such as signage at Lely Park; whereby additional discussion ensued regarding the press/media event to highlight what the GGA and its partners

have accomplished. Responding to a question from Director Roundy, Ms. Kincaid explained the GGA has money budgeted to reimburse the City, and the discussion will include the logistics on how the City will be reimbursed for the cost of water delivered for this project.

- Ms. Jenny Scheer provided an update on the recharge pilot projects at Lely Park and Rick Martin's gravel pit. She further shared initial results from the Vereschagin pit resulting in approximately 315 acre-feet of applied water infiltrating at approximately 10 feet per day. There was additional discussion on water levels, factors affecting infiltration, data monitoring, and water deliveries and schedules.
- Ms. Scheer gave a presentation on Groundwater Recharge Services-Long Term Project Identification and asked for initial feedback regarding GGA's priorities, goals, and objectives. There was some discussion on what long-term projects could help the GGA reach their goals. Director Schonauer spoke regarding filtration systems and flushing of the systems that also infiltrates into the ground. There was a suggestion that helping to connect to filter stations or booster pumps could be helpful. Director Carmon suggested accessing grant funding to help local farmers put in infrastructure that may assist in project implementation. Director Lohse suggested a portion of the additional fee associated with groundwater use could be designated for groundwater recharge projects. Discussion ensued on water rights, and several different opportunities and suggestions to help develop long-term projects.

#### 10. \*DISCUSSION ON SENATE BILL 366 AND AUTHORIZE CHAIRMAN TO EXECUTE A LETTER OF SUPPORT

- Ms. Hunter stated this item was requested to be agendaized previously and is to determine if the Board wishes to execute a letter of support for Senate Bill 366 regarding the California Water Plan.
- There was general discussion on details of the bill including compliance requirements. There was overall consensus the bill consisted of vague language. The Board agreed to table the item until further information is received.

#### 11. COMMITTEE UPDATES

- Executive Committee
    - CGA/GGA Joint Executive Committee
  - Fee Study Ad Hoc Committee
  - Groundwater Recharge Pilot Project Ad Hoc Committee
  - Technical Advisory Committee
- Ms. Hunter stated the Executive Committee has not met.
  - Vice Chairman Amaro stated the Fee Study Ad Hoc Committee met last week with Lohdorff & Scalmanini Consulting Engineers (LSCE) regarding the discrepancy issues with the June invoice. He stated the committee requested a summary of further assistance. Director Lohse stated he requested a timeline from LSCE to better understand deadlines. There was general discussion on issues regarding the mailing lists, invoice discrepancies, and improvements that can be made. Ms. Kincaid spoke about the importance of defining classifications and policy definitions to lessen confusion from stakeholders. Discussion ensued on various ideas of improving the Fee Study process.
  - Work related to the Groundwater Recharge Pilot Project Ad Hoc Committee is provided under Item 9. There was nothing further to report.



- Ms. Hunter stated the Technical Advisory Committee met on August 11, 2023. She stated there was discussion on continuing to prioritize the technical tasks through the 5-year update. She further stated that although there was not a quorum of members of the GGA TAC, there was consensus from the CGA TAC to recommend to the GSAs to use the on-call consulting services to help prioritize goals and assist with grant submissions. She also mentioned there is a vacancy on the Technical Advisory Committee and wanted to convey that message to interested parties.

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- Chairman Hansen invited public comments on Items 12, 13, or 14; whereby, no public comments were presented or heard.
- The Board adjourned to closed session at 3:09 p.m.

#### 15. REPORT OUT FROM CLOSED SESSION

- The Board returned from closed session at 3:28 p.m.
- Chairman Hansen stated there were no reportable actions for Items 12, 13, or 14.

#### 16. MEMBER REPORTS AND COMMENTS

- Director Schonauer stated that relating to Item 10, the Farm Bureau supported Senate Bill 366. He further stated, the Assembly Committee hearing missed the constitutional deadline and the Bill was done for the year, but could be brought back next year. There was general agreement from the Board that it was not necessary to bring Item 10 back for further consideration.
- Director Carmon spoke regarding the Proposition 218 process and recommended in the future to label the envelopes more clearly so stakeholders are aware the mailing contains the Prop. 218 notice. He also suggested categorizing each parcel before notices are sent out.

#### 17. NEXT MEETING

- The next regular meeting is scheduled for September 12, 2023 at 1:30 p.m.

#### 18. ADJOURN

- The meeting adjourned at 3:34 p.m.

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### Meeting Minutes

#### Glenn Groundwater Authority Board of Directors

September 12, 2023 | 1:30 p.m.

LOCATION: 225 North Tehama Street, Willows, CA 95988

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#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

- Chairman Gary Hansen (Chairman Hansen) called the meeting to order at 1:33 p.m.

#### 2. ROLL CALL

- Roll Call was taken as indicated above.

#### 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- \*Approval of the special meeting minutes from July 26, 2023.
- \*Approval of the meeting minutes from August 14, 2023.

- The meeting minutes from July 26, 2023 and from August 14, 2023 were not available.

#### 4. PERIOD OF PUBLIC COMMENT

- Ben King shared a historical perspective regarding surface water and referenced an excerpt from a document written by Will S. Green. He stated springs that were found throughout the foothills provided a significant benefit to the basin. Furthermore, he stated rangeland owners do not pump groundwater, but

supply the basin with great recharge. He suggested considering the benefits the rangeland owners provide to the basin when going through the assessment process.

- Del Reimers shared information from a letter written by the California Cattlemen’s Association, Butte County Cattlemen’s Association, Glenn-Colusa Cattlemen’s Association, and the Tehama County Cattlemen’s Association. The letter shares concerns that rangeland owners (non-extractors) will be charged fees to comply with the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA). Mr. Reimers requested the Board consider the letter and various options for fee collection as they continue their discussion on updating the GGA fees.

## 5. STAFF UPDATES

- Ms. Hunter stated three well permit acknowledgement forms have been received since August 15, 2023.
- Ms. Hunter stated Glenn County Resource Conservation District (RCD) was contacted for more information regarding the Glenn County Recharge Development Plan proposal. She stated RCD submitted the questionnaire with additional information and updates. She further stated the project could model an NRCS groundwater recharge pilot program occurring in the Fresno area which is testing two interim practice standards for groundwater recharge.
- Ms. Hunter noted the Cattlemen's letter referred to during public comment was emailed to the Directors on August 22, 2023 and printed copies were available.
- Regarding the DWR continuous subsidence monitoring program, Ms. Hunter stated DWR is interested in adding GPS sites in the Colusa Subbasin near Arbuckle and Orland/Artois.
- Ms. Hunter gave an update on the potential partnership with The Nature Conservancy regarding work relating to groundwater dependent ecosystems (GDEs), stating they have decided to partner with another basin; however, other opportunities may arise.
- Responding to a question from Director Schonauer, Ms. Hunter stated the well permit acknowledgement forms are consistent with the County’s new permit guidelines.

## 6. FINANCIAL REPORT

- a. \*Review and accept Monthly Activities Report.
  - b. \*Review and consider approval of claims.
- Ms. Hunter asked for feedback regarding the new report formatting. There was general consensus from the Board to move forward with the new format.

**On motion by Director Amaro, seconded by Director Enos, it was unanimously ordered to approve the Monthly Activities Report as presented.**

**On motion by Director Schonauer, seconded by Director Randy Hansen, it was unanimously ordered to approve the claims as presented.**

## 7. GSP IMPLEMENTATION FEE PROJECT

- a. Receive an update on the GGA Fee Project and timeline.
  - b. Discussion on example path forward to proceed with the Proposition 218 process through 2024.
  - c. \*Consider approval of Luhdorff & Scalmanini Consulting Engineers Revised June 2023 Invoice dated August 31, 2023.
- Ms. Hunter stated Luhdorff & Scalmanini Consulting Engineers (LSCE) has provided a timeline regarding a path forward through the Proposition 218 process. She stated they provided a revised invoice removing the discrepancies that were of concern.
  - Eddy Teasdale (LSCE) stated the timeline in the packet identifies key dates that are critical to keep the process progressing. Ms. Hunter noted some of the assumptions and schedule may need to be revised. For example, if a user classification is added, this may affect the budgeted contract amount. She offered to work with LSCE to revise as appropriate. After discussion on schedule, tasks, and expectations, there was general consensus from the Board to move forward with the Proposition 218 process promptly and efficiently.
  - Regarding Item 7.c. Ms. Hunter stated both the original and revised invoices were included in the packet and identified the discrepancies that were removed.
  - Director Amaro updated the Board on the meeting with the Ad Hoc Committee regarding this matter. He stated he believed the revised invoice was fair.
  - Ben King stated the fee study should be addressed in a Brown Act Meeting versus an Ad Hoc meeting to provide the public with full transparency.
  - There was general consensus from the Board and staff that the revised invoice was equitable.

**On motion by Director Roundy, seconded by Director Amaro, it was unanimously ordered to approve the LSCE revised June 2023 invoice dated August 31, 2023.**

## 8. COLUSA SUBBASIN GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY PLAN IMPLEMENTATION

- a. \*Authorize use of existing on-call consultant services contract with Davids Engineering, Inc for GSP implementation support.
  - b. \*Authorize Program Manager to initiate development of USBR WaterSMART grant application in coordination with Colusa Groundwater Authority.
  - c. \*Authorize Program Manager to solicit additional on-call services to be considered at a future meeting.
- Ms. Hunter stated she has not yet reached out to Davids Engineering regarding GSP implementation support. She stated it would be helpful to have the on-call consultant available for phasing of tasks, costs, and prioritization regarding the GSP implementation and upcoming grant opportunities. She also noted budget is available for this service. The Board agreed it would be appropriate to utilize the current on-call consultant support for these services.

**On motion by Director Amaro, seconded by Director Enos, it was unanimously ordered to authorize the use of existing on-call consultant services contract with Davids Engineering, Inc for GSP implementation support.**

- Ms. Hunter reviewed the item noting the WaterSMART grants are due in October. There was discussion on specific components of the grant that would need to be completed. It was mentioned the grants are highly competitive.

- Don Bills (TAC, Retired Hydrologist) stated he has had success in developing and reviewing WaterSMART grants. He offered his expertise in moving forward with this process.

**On motion by Director Schonauer, seconded by Director Roundy, it was unanimously ordered to authorize the Program Manager to initiate the development of the USBR WaterSMART grant application in coordination with Colusa Groundwater Authority.**

- Ms. Hunter stated additional on-call consultant(s) may be useful to avoid time restraints or limitations on areas of specialization.
- Ben King stated he was in favor of an additional on-call consultant.

**On motion by Director Amaro, seconded by Director Randy Hansen, it was unanimously ordered to authorize the Program Manager to solicit additional on-call services to be considered at a future meeting.**

#### 9. GGA GROUNDWATER RECHARGE SERVICES

- a. Receive an update on groundwater recharge services and pilot project implementation activities.
  - b. Discuss opportunities for outreach and/or showcasing groundwater recharge pilot project.
- Relating to Item 9.a., Ms. Hunter stated the recharge pilot project is continuing as there is water at both Lely Park and Rick Martin’s Pond.
  - Jenny Scheer (WLS) stated there are operational changes occurring at Orland Unit in October. A meeting is planned to address these changes. She mentioned the partnership has been a success and the pilot project has provided a significant amount of information about operations and technical components that can be used in long-term planning.
  - In relation to Item 9.b., Ms. Hunter stated Ms. Scheer had presented on the recharge projects at Butte County’s Brown Bag webinar, which can be accessed online. Ms. Hunter presented a draft version of the informational signage that will be posted at Lely Park. Discussion ensued on comments relating to the sign and public outreach, including moving forward with the signage at Lely Park, issuing a press release, and providing signage at Orland City Hall. The Board was supportive of the composition of the sign.
  - Responding to a question from Director Schonauer, Ms. Hunter stated the Glenn County Board of Supervisors gave authorization to the Public Works Director to move forward with drafting contracts in order to prepare the Orland Airport Site for a potential recharge project.
  - Ben King spoke regarding mercury levels at East Park Reservoir and encouraged the GGA to consider taking water samples and address the issue if needed. Ms. Scheer responded that water samples are not being taken through this project; however, a city supply well is located near the site and is monitored regularly.

#### 10. COMMITTEE UPDATES

- a. Executive Committee
    - i. CGA/GGA Joint Executive Committee
  - b. Fee Study Ad Hoc Committee
  - c. Groundwater Recharge Pilot Project Ad Hoc Committee
  - d. Technical Advisory Committee
- In relation to Items 10.a. and 10.b., there was nothing additional to report.
  - In relation to Item 10.c. Ms. Hunter stated a meeting is being scheduled.

- In relation to Item 10.d. Ms. Hunter stated the next meeting is October 13, 2023.

#### 11. DISCUSSION ON TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE COMPOSITION, VACANCY AND RECRUITMENT, AND DIRECTION ON TASKS

- Ms. Hunter stated there is a vacancy on the Technical Advisory Committee and reviewed the history of the TAC appointments and recruitment processes. She stated it was at the Boards discretion to maintain a 5-member status or fill the vacancy. Discussion ensued on current TAC membership and desired representation. Ms. Hunter stated there was interest from Shasta Banchio who is an Engineer at Glenn-Colusa Irrigation District (GCID).
- Ben King spoke regarding concerns with TAC attendance and membership.
- There was general consensus to move forward with filling the vacancy.
- Ms. Hunter stated she would reach out to Ms. Banchio regarding the letter of interest and process.

#### 12. CLOSED SESSION

Gov't Code §54956.9 – Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated or significant exposure to litigation regarding tax refund claims and challenges to previously adopted property related fees.

#### 13. CLOSED SESSION

Gov't Code §54956.9 – Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation  
Aqualliance, California Water Impact Network, and California Sportfishing Alliance vs. Colusa Groundwater Authority, Glenn Groundwater Authority  
Colusa County Superior Court - Case Number CV24584

#### 14. CLOSED SESSION

Gov't Code § 54956.9 (d)(2) Conference with Legal Counsel – Significant exposure to litigation – one matter.

- Chairman Hansen invited public comment on Items 12, 13, or 14; whereby, no public comments were presented or heard.
- The Board adjourned to closed session at 2:46 p.m.

#### 15. REPORT OUT FROM CLOSED SESSION

- The Board returned from closed session at 2:54 p.m.
- Chairman Hansen stated there were no reportable actions for Items 12, 13, or 14.

#### 16. MEMBER REPORTS AND COMMENTS

- Chairman Hansen invited member reports or comment; whereby, none were heard.

#### 17. NEXT MEETING

- The next regular meeting is scheduled for October 9, 2023 at 1:30 p.m.

#### 18. ADJOURN

- The meeting was adjourned at 2:54 p.m.

#### **4. PERIOD OF PUBLIC COMMENT**

Members of the public are encouraged to address the GGA Board of Directors on items relevant to the GGA. Public comments are limited to no more than 5 minutes. No action may be taken on public comments.

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#### **5. STAFF UPDATES**

The program manager will provide brief status updates. Reminders and/or clarifications may also be made at this time.

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#### **6. FINANCIAL REPORT**

- a. \*Review and accept Monthly Activities Report.
- b. \*Review and consider approval of claims.

The Balance Sheets, Budget to Actuals, Transaction Listings, and Claims Summary are attached.

##### **Attachments**

- Balance Sheet (August 2023)
- Budget to Actuals (August 2023)
- Transaction Listing (August 2023)
- Draft Balance Sheet (September 2023)
- Draft Budget to Actuals (September 2023)
- Draft Transaction Listing (September 2023)
- Claims Summary

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For the Period Ending:  
Aug 31, 2023**

**Organization Key: 04796000 - GLENN GROUNDWATER AUTHORITY**

Object Type	Object Group Description	Object Code	Balance
<b>ASSETS</b>			
	<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>		
		00100 - CASH IN TREASURY	1,435,146.92
	<b>CURRENT ASSETS - Summary</b>		<b>\$1,435,146.92</b>
<b>AS - Summary</b>			<b>\$1,435,146.92</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>			
	<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		
		00675 - ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	18,498.23
	<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES - Summary</b>		<b>\$18,498.23</b>
<b>LI - Summary</b>			<b>\$18,498.23</b>
<b>FUND EQUITY</b>			
	<b>FUND EQUITY</b>		
		00974 - UNRESERVED RETAINED EARNINGS	1,420,718.19
	<b>FUND EQUITY - Summary</b>		<b>\$1,420,718.19</b>
<b>FE - Summary</b>			<b>\$1,420,718.19</b>



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<b>04796000 - GLENN GROUNDWATER AUTHORITY</b>							
<b>REVENUES</b>							
<b>FINES, FORFEITURES &amp; PENALTIES</b>							
			37320 PENALTIES/COST DELQ TAXES	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%
<b>FINES, FORFEITURES &amp; PENALTIES - Summary</b>				<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>/0</b>
<b>USE OF MONEY &amp; PROPERTY</b>							
			44300 INTEREST	5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00	0.00%
<b>USE OF MONEY &amp; PROPERTY - Summary</b>				<b>\$5,000.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$5,000.00</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUE</b>							
			56200 OTHER GOVT AGENCIES	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%
<b>INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUE - Summary</b>				<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>/0</b>
<b>CHARGES FOR CURRENT SERVICES</b>							
			61152 SPECIAL ASSESSMENT	575,372.00	0.00	575,372.00	0.00%
<b>CHARGES FOR CURRENT SERVICES - Summary</b>				<b>\$575,372.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$575,372.00</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES</b>							
			74121 A-87 COST ALLOC REBATE	7,949.00	0.00	7,949.00	0.00%
<b>MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES - Summary</b>				<b>\$7,949.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$7,949.00</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>RV - Summary</b>				<b>\$588,321.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$588,321.00</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>							
<b>SERVICES &amp; SUPPLIES</b>							
			03150 INSURANCE	2,000.00	1,734.00	266.00	86.70%
			03220 OFFICE EXPENSE	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00	0.00%
			03230 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	678,125.00	312.50	677,812.50	0.05%

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Organization Key	Object Type	Object Group Description	Object Code	Current Year Budget	Current Year Actuals	Remaining Budget	% of Budget Used
			03280 SPECIAL DEPT EXPENSE	26,000.00	2,023.00	23,977.00	7.78%
		<b>SERVICES &amp; SUPPLIES - Summary</b>		<b>\$708,125.00</b>	<b>\$4,069.50</b>	<b>\$704,055.50</b>	<b>0.57%</b>
		<b>OTHER CHARGES</b>					
			05700 ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSE	7,500.00	0.00	7,500.00	0.00%
			05730 A-87 COST ALLOCATION	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%
		<b>OTHER CHARGES - Summary</b>		<b>\$7,500.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$7,500.00</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
		<b>CONTINGENCY</b>					
			09900 CONTINGENCY	65,400.00	0.00	65,400.00	0.00%
		<b>CONTINGENCY - Summary</b>		<b>\$65,400.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$65,400.00</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
	<b>XP - Summary</b>			<b>\$781,025.00</b>	<b>\$4,069.50</b>	<b>\$776,955.50</b>	<b>0.52%</b>
<b>Net Return/ (Cost)</b>				<b>(\$192,704.00)</b>	<b>(\$4,069.50)</b>	<b>(\$188,634.50)</b>	<b>0.52%</b>

SORT ORDER: SUB-SUB within ORG KEY

SELECT ORGANIZATION KEY: 04796000

Lg	UNIQUE ACCOUNT	Primary Ref	Transaction Description	SS Ref	Date	Job No	Debit	Credit	NET
GL	04796000-00100	TTLOH	AutoID:Total Job:2196627	OH	08/02/23	02196627	0.00	36,809.94	-36,809.94
GL	04796000-00100	JE240350	AutoID: JE004029 Job: 2212952	JE	08/09/23	02212952	65.60	0.00	-36,744.34
GL	04796000-00100	TTLOH	AutoID:Total Job:2216036	OH	08/11/23	02216036	0.00	1,734.00	-38,478.34
GL	04796000-00100	JE240444	AutoID: JE004053 Job: 2226477	JE	08/16/23	02226477	4,576.43	0.00	-33,901.91
GL	04796000-00100	JE240446	AutoID: JE004056 Job: 2227709	JE	08/16/23	02227709	269.20	0.00	-33,632.71
GL	04796000-00100	TTLOH	AutoID:Total Job:2235373	OH	08/23/23	02235373	0.00	312.50	-33,945.21
*****Total	*SUBS 00100		CASH IN TREASURY			DR	4,911.23	38,856.44	-33,945.21
GL	04796000-00365	JE240350	RELEASE JE# 234909	JE	08/09/23	02212952	0.00	65.60	-65.60
GL	04796000-00365	JE240444	RELEASE JE# 235013	JE	08/16/23	02226477	0.00	4,576.43	-4,642.03
GL	04796000-00365	JE240446	RELEASE JE 235014	JE	08/16/23	02227709	0.00	269.20	-4,911.23
*****Total	*SUBS 00365		DUE FROM TAX AGENCY FUND-3310			DR	0.00	4,911.23	-4,911.23
GL	04796000-00670	TTLOH	AutoID:Total Job:2196627	OH	08/02/23	02196627	36,809.94	0.00	-36,809.94
GL	04796000-00670	TTLOH	AutoID:OH010673 Job:2215977	OH	08/11/23	02215977	0.00	1,734.00	-35,075.94
GL	04796000-00670	TTLOH	AutoID:Total Job:2216036	OH	08/11/23	02216036	1,734.00	0.00	-36,809.94
GL	04796000-00670	TTLOH	AutoID:OH010731 Job:2235178	OH	08/23/23	02235178	0.00	312.50	-36,497.44
GL	04796000-00670	TTLOH	AutoID:Total Job:2235373	OH	08/23/23	02235373	312.50	0.00	-36,809.94
*****Total	*SUBS 00670		CHECKS PAYABLE			CR	38,856.44	2,046.50	-36,809.94
GL	04796000-03150	GS2307100579	GOLDEN STATE RI A#GLENNGRO	OH	08/11/23	02215977	1,734.00	0.00	1,734.00
*****Total	*SUBS 03150		INSURANCE			DR	1,734.00	0.00	1,734.00
GL	04796000-03230	102625 GGA	PROVOST AND PRI A#02871-21-001	OH	08/23/23	02235178	312.50	0.00	312.50
*****Total	*SUBS 03230		PROFESSIONAL SERVICES			DR	312.50	0.00	312.50
*****Total	*KEY 04796000		GLENN GROUNDWATER AUTHORITY			DR-CR	45,814.17	45,814.17	0.00
			** G R A N D T O T A L **			DR-CR	45,814.17	45,814.17	0.00

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<b>ASSETS</b>			
	<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>		
		00100 - CASH IN TREASURY	1,402,995.50
	<b>CURRENT ASSETS - Summary</b>		<b>\$1,402,995.50</b>
<b>AS - Summary</b>			<b>\$1,402,995.50</b>
<b>FUND EQUITY</b>			
	<b>FUND EQUITY</b>		
		00974 - UNRESERVED RETAINED EARNINGS	1,420,718.19
	<b>FUND EQUITY - Summary</b>		<b>\$1,420,718.19</b>
<b>FB - Summary</b>			<b>\$1,420,718.19</b>

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<b>04796000 - GLENN GROUNDWATER AUTHORITY</b>							
<b>REVENUES</b>							
<b>FINES, FORFEITURES &amp; PENALTIES</b>							
			37320 PENALTIES/COST DELQ TAXES	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%
<b>FINES, FORFEITURES &amp; PENALTIES - Summary</b>				<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>/0</b>
<b>USE OF MONEY &amp; PROPERTY</b>							
			44300 INTEREST	5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00	0.00%
<b>USE OF MONEY &amp; PROPERTY - Summary</b>				<b>\$5,000.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$5,000.00</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUE</b>							
			56200 OTHER GOVT AGENCIES	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%
<b>INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUE - Summary</b>				<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>/0</b>
<b>CHARGES FOR CURRENT SERVICES</b>							
			61152 SPECIAL ASSESSMENT	575,372.00	0.00	575,372.00	0.00%
<b>CHARGES FOR CURRENT SERVICES - Summary</b>				<b>\$575,372.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$575,372.00</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES</b>							
			74121 A-87 COST ALLOC REBATE	7,949.00	0.00	7,949.00	0.00%
<b>MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES - Summary</b>				<b>\$7,949.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$7,949.00</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>RV - Summary</b>				<b>\$588,321.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$588,321.00</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>							
<b>SERVICES &amp; SUPPLIES</b>							
			03150 INSURANCE	2,000.00	1,734.00	266.00	86.70%
			03220 OFFICE EXPENSE	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00	0.00%
			03230 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	678,125.00	13,156.49	664,968.51	1.94%

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Organization Key	Object Type	Object Group Description	Object Code	Current Year Budget	Current Year Actuals	Remaining Budget	% of Budget Used
			03280 SPECIAL DEPT EXPENSE	26,000.00	2,832.20	23,167.80	10.89%
		<b>SERVICES &amp; SUPPLIES - Summary</b>		<b>\$708,125.00</b>	<b>\$17,722.69</b>	<b>\$690,402.31</b>	<b>2.50%</b>
		<b>OTHER CHARGES</b>					
			05700 ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSE	7,500.00	0.00	7,500.00	0.00%
			05730 A-87 COST ALLOCATION	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%
		<b>OTHER CHARGES - Summary</b>		<b>\$7,500.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$7,500.00</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
		<b>CONTINGENCY</b>					
			09900 CONTINGENCY	65,400.00	0.00	65,400.00	0.00%
		<b>CONTINGENCY - Summary</b>		<b>\$65,400.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$65,400.00</b>	<b>0.00%</b>
	<b>XP - Summary</b>			<b>\$781,025.00</b>	<b>\$17,722.69</b>	<b>\$763,302.31</b>	<b>2.27%</b>
<b>Net Return/ (Cost)</b>				<b>(\$192,704.00)</b>	<b>(\$17,722.69)</b>	<b>(\$174,981.31)</b>	<b>2.27%</b>

SORT ORDER: SUB-SUB within ORG KEY

SELECT ORGANIZATION KEY: 04796000

Lg	UNIQUE ACCOUNT	Primary Ref	Transaction Description	SS Ref	Date	Job No	Debit	Credit	NET
GL	04796000-00100	TTLOH	AutoID:Total Job:2295515	OH	09/27/23	02295515	0.00	809.20	-809.20
GL	04796000-00100	TTLOH	AutoID:Total Job:2303553	OH	09/29/23	02303553	0.00	31,342.22	-32,151.42
*****Total	*SUBS 00100		CASH IN TREASURY			DR	0.00	32,151.42	-32,151.42
GL	04796000-00670	TTLOH	AutoID:OH010949 Job:2295288	OH	09/27/23	02295288	0.00	809.20	809.20
GL	04796000-00670	TTLOH	AutoID:Total Job:2295515	OH	09/27/23	02295515	809.20	0.00	0.00
GL	04796000-00670	TTLOH	AutoID:OH010930 Job:2302779	OH	09/29/23	02302779	0.00	31,342.22	31,342.22
GL	04796000-00670	TTLOH	AutoID:Total Job:2303553	OH	09/29/23	02303553	31,342.22	0.00	0.00
*****Total	*SUBS 00670		CHECKS PAYABLE			CR	32,151.42	32,151.42	0.00
GL	04796000-00675	40252 GGA	LUHDORFF AND SC A#221096 LUHDO	OH	09/29/23	02302779	18,498.23	0.00	-18,498.23
*****Total	*SUBS 00675		ACCOUNTS PAYABLE			CR	18,498.23	0.00	-18,498.23
GL	04796000-03230	2256 GGA	PARIS KINCAID W A#1850 PARIS K	OH	09/29/23	02302779	5,110.00	0.00	5,110.00
GL	04796000-03230	40252 GGA	LUHDORFF AND SC A#221096 LUHDO	OH	09/29/23	02302779	1,804.52	0.00	6,914.52
GL	04796000-03230	522069 GGA	GEOSYNTEC CONSU A#SFO145 GEOSY	OH	09/29/23	02302779	5,929.47	0.00	12,843.99
*****Total	*SUBS 03230		PROFESSIONAL SERVICES			DR	12,843.99	0.00	12,843.99
GL	04796000-03280	092223 GGA	ORLAND UNIT WAT 09/22/23 OUWUA	OH	09/27/23	02295288	809.20	0.00	809.20
*****Total	*SUBS 03280		SPECIAL DEPT EXPENSE			DR	809.20	0.00	809.20
*****Total	*KEY 04796000		GLENN GROUNDWATER AUTHORITY			DR-CR	64,302.84	64,302.84	0.00
			** GRAND TOTAL **			DR-CR	64,302.84	64,302.84	0.00





## 7. LETTERS OF SUPPORT

- a. \*Consider approval of Letter of Support for USBR WaterSMART Applied Science Grant Application for Reclamation District No. 108, Colusa County Water District, and Dunnigan Water District Groundwater Recharge Data Sharing and Modeling Improvements Project.
- b. \*Consider approval of Letter of Support for USBR WaterSMART Planning and Project Design Grant Application for Orland-Artois Water District's Infrastructure Expansion Project: Planning & Design Phase.
- c. \*Consider approval of Letter of Support for USBR WaterSMART Drought Resiliency Grant Application for Orland-Artois Water District's Infrastructure Expansion Project: Implementation / Construction Phase.

The GGA has received three requests for letters of support for various United States Bureau of Reclamation (USBR) WaterSMART grant opportunities. The projects requesting support letter are:

- Reclamation District No. 108 (RD108), Colusa County Water District (CCWD), and Dunnigan Water District (DWD) Groundwater Recharge Data Sharing and Modeling Improvements Project
- Orland-Artois Water District's Infrastructure Expansion Project: Planning & Design Phase
- Orland-Artois Water District's Infrastructure Expansion Project: Implementation / Construction Phase

### **Groundwater Recharge Data Sharing and Modeling Improvements Project**

This project is located in the southern portion of the Colusa Subbasin and the Yolo Subbasin. The objectives of the project application include:

1. Expand DWD's existing groundwater monitoring network across RD108, CCWD, and adjacent groundwater only areas as feasible in coordination with DWR.
2. Improve on-farm surface water delivery measurement program(s).
3. Incorporate additional datasets into existing hydrologic models/water budgets in coordination with local GSAs. Data will be formatted to include in the Colusa Subbasin Data Management System (DMS).
4. Enhance cross basin coordination between the Yolo and Colusa Subbasins.

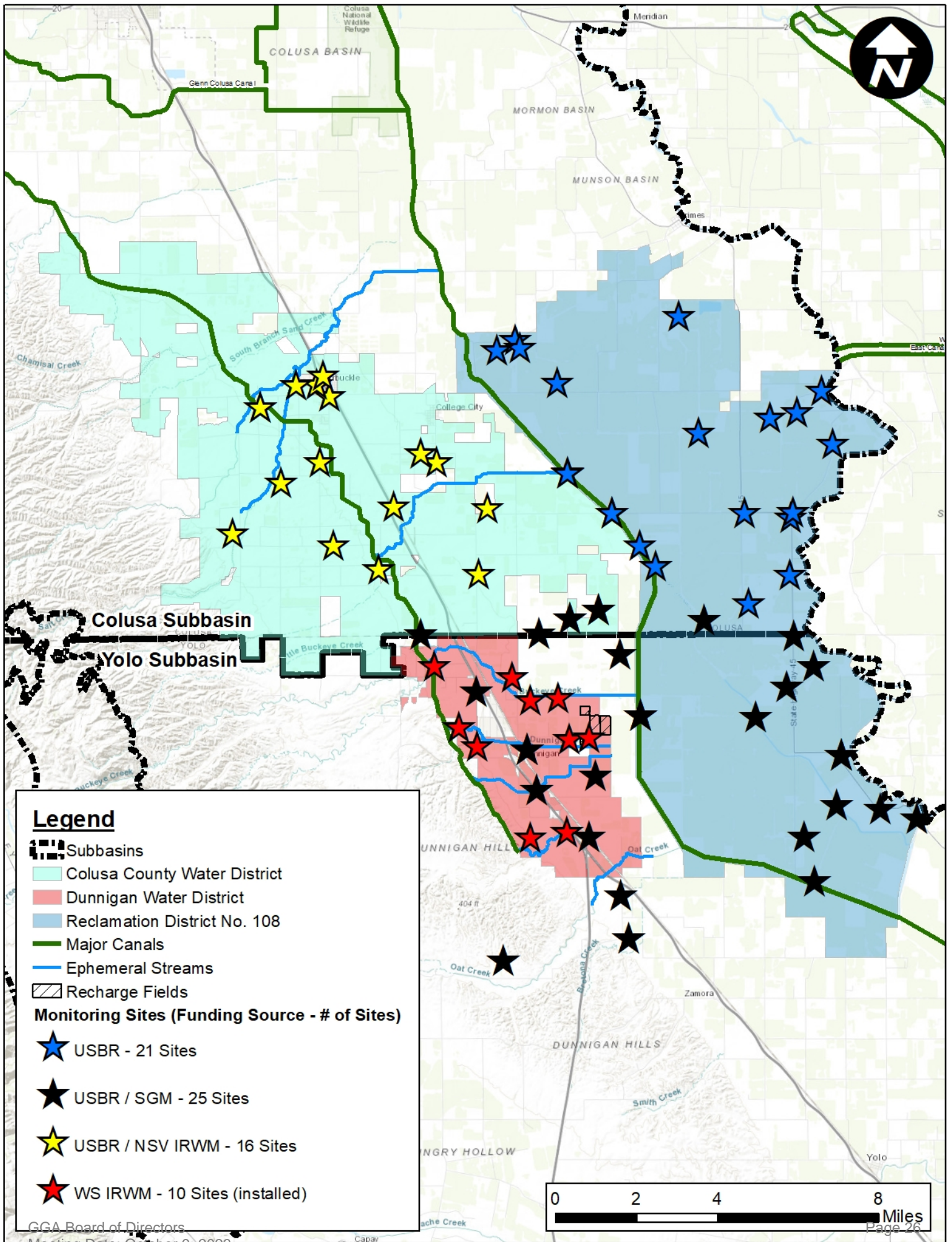
A map of the monitoring sites is attached.

### **Orland-Artois Water District Infrastructure Expansion Project**

This project is located within the Glenn Groundwater Authority's jurisdiction of the Colusa Subbasin. The project is requesting funding for two components of the project through different grant opportunities. A letter of support is being requested for each application: one for the planning and design phase, one for the implementation/construction phase. Additional details about the project can be found in the attached handout.

### **Attachments**

- Map of Yolo & Colusa Subbasin Monitoring Sites
- Draft Letter of Support for the Groundwater Recharge Data Sharing and Modeling Improvements Project
- Orland-Artois Water District Infrastructure Expansion Project Handout
- Draft Letter of Support for Orland-Artois Water District's Infrastructure Expansion Project: Planning & Design Phase
- Draft Letter of Support for Orland-Artois Water District's Infrastructure Expansion Project: Implementation / Construction Phase



**Legend**

- Subbasins
- Colusa County Water District
- Dunnigan Water District
- Reclamation District No. 108
- Major Canals
- Ephemeral Streams
- Recharge Fields
- Monitoring Sites (Funding Source - # of Sites)**
- USBR - 21 Sites
- USBR / SGM - 25 Sites
- USBR / NSV IRWM - 16 Sites
- WS IRWM - 10 Sites (installed)

# Glenn Groundwater Authority

## Groundwater Sustainability Agency

225 North Tehama Street, Willows, CA 95988 | 530.934.6540

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October 9, 2023

Bureau of Reclamation  
Attn: NOFO Team  
Denver Federal Center  
Bldg. 67, Rm. 152  
6<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Kipling Street  
Denver, CO 80225

RE: Support of the Reclamation District No. 108, Colusa County Water District, and Dunnigan Water District WaterSMART – Applied Science Grant Application

To Whom It May Concern:

The Glenn Groundwater Authority is pleased to provide this letter of support for the combined Reclamation District No. 108, Colusa County Water District, and Dunnigan Water District Groundwater Recharge Data Sharing and Modeling Improvements (Project). Climate variability has resulted in prolonged dry periods followed by extremely wet years. Groundwater levels in the Project area continue to decline, threatening water supply for domestic and agricultural groundwater users and causing ecological and watershed health concerns.

Financial assistance from the WaterSMART Applied Science Grant will improve accessibility and usability of water resources data and improve hydrologic models to forecast future scenarios and increase water supply reliability and flexibility in water operations. The Project will support existing programs to increase water supply reliability for ecological values and is being developed as part of a collaborative planning process with the Westside-Sacramento and Northern Sacramento Valley Integrated Regional Water Management programs. It will also enhance cross-basin coordination between the Colusa Subbasin and Yolo Subbasin.

The Glenn Groundwater Authority asks that you approve this funding request.

Sincerely,

Gary Hansen  
Chairman, Glenn Groundwater Authority

# Orland "A" Farmers Annexation Project

# Orland Artois Water District (OAWD)



- ~11,000 acres, all of which are currently farmed
- 24 Landowners, most of whom already own land in OAWD
- 13 Farming Entities
- Targeted Supplemental Surface Supply of 1 AF/AC per year

## Orland "A" Farmers

### SGMA Bullet Points

- Helping the groundwater subbasin achieve sustainability
- Reducing groundwater pumping benefits all groundwater users
- Addressing local land subsidence near I-5 and the Tehama-Colusa Canal
- Protecting household domestic wells

### Timeline

1. CEQA/NEPA documents submitted August 2023
2. OAWD Annexation Approval: October 2023
3. 60% Design: December 2023
4. LAFCO approval: January 2024
5. 100% Design: March 2024
6. NEPA/USBR authorization: March 2024
7. Financing in Place: April 2024
8. Construction start date: April 2024
  - a. Multiple phases
  - b. End Date of 2026

### OAWD Integration

- Class 2 Water Supply Agreement
- Annexation Policy
- Easement acquisition and deed covenant
- Improvement District formation

### Annexation Benefits

- Provide surface water to the new Class 2 users
- Protect agricultural investments
- Support the local ag-based economy
- Protect food production

### Construction Projects

#### Phase 1

33.6E Pipeline Extension	\$ 310,000
0.6 Booster Pump	\$ 983,000
Hart 342 Tie-in	\$ 90,000
Knight 27 Tie-in	\$ 118,000
Knight 33 Tie-in	\$ 101,000
33.6N Tie-in	\$ 65,000
Hart Farms HQ Extension	\$ 354,200
Road 28 Pipeline	\$ 830,200
Hart 330 Pump	\$ 494,200
Sanford Pump	\$ 371,700
<b>Phase 1 Total</b>	<b>\$ 3,717,300</b>

#### Phase 2

Big W Pipeline	\$ 1,164,800
Patton Pipeline	\$ 1,367,100
Lassen Land Pump	\$ 573,300
99W Pipeline	\$ 2,290,000
2.6 Booster Pump	\$ 818,000
<b>Phase 2 Total</b>	<b>\$ 6,213,200</b>
<b>Project Total</b>	<b>\$ 9,930,500</b>



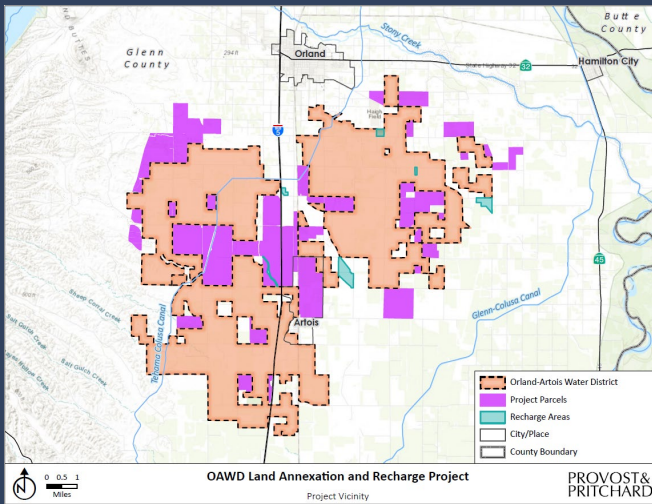
# Orland "A" Farmers Annexation Project

# Orland Artois Water District

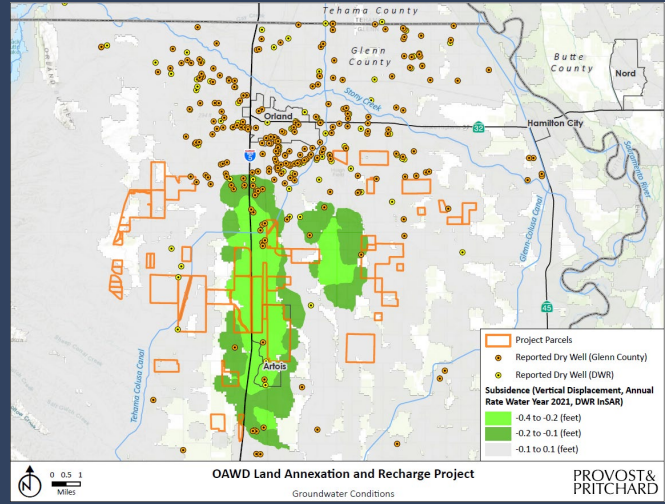
- Annexation
- Recharge Facilities
- Conveyance Infrastructure
- Supplemental Water Transfers



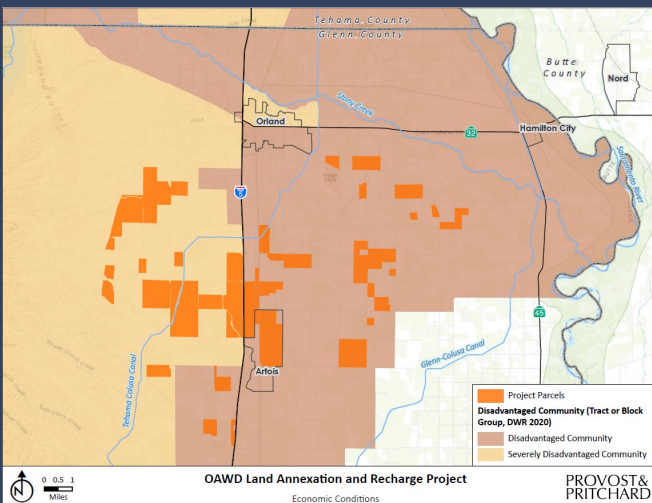
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## Subsidence Mitigation



## Disadvantaged Community



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# Glenn Groundwater Authority

## Groundwater Sustainability Agency

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October 9, 2023

Bureau of Reclamation  
Upper Colorado Regional Office  
Attn: Karen Shubert  
125 South State, Room 8100  
Salt Lake City, UT 84138-1147

**Subject: Letter of Support for the USBR WaterSMART Planning and Project Design Grant Application for Orland-Artois Water District's Infrastructure Expansion Project: Planning & Design Phase**

Dear USBR Project Design Grant Administrators,

I am writing to express my strong support for the application to the United States Bureau of Reclamation (Bureau) WaterSMART Program for the Project Design Grant to complete the planning and design phase of the Orland-Artois Water District's (OAWD or District) Infrastructure Expansion Project (Project).

Glenn Groundwater Authority acknowledges the District's Project would benefit many in our disadvantaged community both directly and indirectly. The Federal assistance for the District's planning and design effort of the new infrastructure project will greatly enhance the construction start date which will benefit all groundwater users within the Glenn Groundwater Authority.

The Project will have a significant impact on a great number of residents. Groundwater levels have declined in Glenn County, California, resulting in hundreds of domestic wells going dry.

This effort to expand the OAWD distribution system allows the District to maximize their full Central Valley Project surface water contract with the Bureau as well as allowing for purchase of other supplemental supplies in Northern California. All surface water brought into the service area through infrastructure designed with the scope of this grant will help protect groundwater levels by offsetting groundwater pumping along with reducing the occurrence of land subsidence that threatens the Bureau's Tehama-Colusa Canal and the State of California's Interstate 5.

Glenn Groundwater Authority applauds OAWD's efforts and fully supports the Project. The benefits align with Bureau's goals along with several state and local climate resiliency action plans.

This Project was envisioned through multiple planning processes including the development of the Colusa Subbasin Groundwater Sustainability Plan, the District's Agricultural Water Management Plan, and the Northern Sacramento Valley Integrated Regional Water Management Plan.

We are looking forward to working collaboratively with OAWD and their partners over the next several years.

Sincerely,

Gary Hansen  
Chairman

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**Subject: Letter of Support for the USBR WaterSMART Drought Resiliency Grant Application for Orland-Artois Water District's Infrastructure Expansion Project: Implementation / Construction Phase**

Dear USBR Drought Response Program Grant Administrators,

I am writing to express my strong support for the application to the United States Bureau of Reclamation (Bureau) WaterSMART Program for the Drought Resiliency Program grant to complete the Implementation/Construction phase of the Orland-Artois Water District's (OAWD or District) Infrastructure Expansion Project (Project).

Glenn Groundwater Authority acknowledges the District's Project would benefit many in our disadvantaged community both directly and indirectly. The Federal assistance for the District's Implementation and Construction phase will coincide with all the progress that has been made in the planning and design efforts of the Project and will enhance the construction start date which will benefit the groundwater users within the Glenn Groundwater Authority.

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## 8. COLUSA SUBBASIN GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY PLAN IMPLEMENTATION

- a. Receive an update on Colusa Subbasin Groundwater Sustainability Plan implementation activities.

Staff will provide an update on Colusa Subbasin GSP implementation activities.

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## 9. GGA GROUNDWATER RECHARGE SERVICES

- a. Receive an update on groundwater recharge services and pilot project implementation activities.
- b. Receive an update on outreach/press event showcasing groundwater recharge pilot projects scheduled for October 11, 2023.

GGA has been working with Geosyntec and Water and Land Solutions on a Groundwater Recharge Services Project. The services include a two-phase approach to explore groundwater recharge project opportunities in the short-term (2022/2023 winter) and a longer-term planning process. Additionally, a task has been added for Phase 1 implementation monitoring and reporting, and funding has set aside for water purchases.

The two sites served by the Orland Unit Water Users Association are receiving water on a regular rotational basis which is planned to continue until the end of the irrigation season in October.

In response to the GGA's desire to conduct outreach, focusing on local outreach, staff, consultants and partners have planned an event to take place October 11, 2023 at 11:00 a.m. at Lely Park. A press release will be issued to invite media and interested parties to attend and hear brief remarks from Glenn Groundwater Authority representatives and recharge partners. Time will also be set aside to answer questions.

GGA's Groundwater Recharge Pilot Project Ad Hoc Committee last met on August 7, 2023 to discuss Phase 2 of the project. The outcomes of this meeting were reported at the August 14, 2023 meeting. The committee plans to meet again in later October or early November to review projects identified during stakeholder interviews and discuss the advantages and disadvantages of each then to determine which projects are best suited to address GGA's priorities and goals. A short list of approximately 5 projects will be selected by GGA for deeper analysis by the consultant team. Lastly, the consultant team will prepare a report with discussion on GGA's priorities and goals, basic information on all the projects proposed by stakeholders, detailed analysis of 5 short-listed projects, and recommendations.

Staff, the consultant team, ad hoc committee, and legal counsel may provide additional updates.

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## 10. COMMITTEE UPDATES

- a. Executive Committee
  - i. CGA/GGA Joint Executive Committee
- b. Fee Study Ad Hoc Committee
- c. Groundwater Recharge Pilot Project Ad Hoc Committee
- d. Technical Advisory Committee

The **GGA Executive Committee** last met July 27, 2022. The CGA/GGA Joint Executive Committee met January 28, 2022. The next GGA Executive Committee meeting has not been scheduled.

Committee Members: John Amaro, Matt Deadmond, Gary Hansen

The **Fee Study Ad Hoc Committee** last met August 8, 2023. The outcomes of that meeting were shared at the September 12, 2023 meeting. The committee is working to schedule a meeting in the near future.



Committee Members: John Amaro, Grant Carmon, Mark Lohse

The **Groundwater Recharge Pilot Project Ad Hoc Committee** last met August 7, 2023 to continue to work with the consultant team (Geosyntec/Water and Land Solutions) on groundwater recharge. Outcomes of that meeting were shared at the August 14, 2023 meeting. The committee plans to meet in late October/early November. Additional updates may be provided.

Committee Members: Emil Cavagnolo, Matt Deadmond, Chuck Schonauer, Bruce Roundy, Gary Enos

The **Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)** met jointly with the Colusa Groundwater Authority (CGA) Technical Advisory Committee on August 11, 2023. The outcomes of the meeting were shared at the August 14 and September 12, 2023 meetings.

The next CGA/GGA Joint TAC meeting scheduled for October 13, 2023 is being rescheduled and the Joint TAC will instead meet on December 1, 2023.

Full page slides of TAC presentations and other meeting materials are available on the GGA website at:

<https://www.countyofglenn.net/dept/planning-community-development-services/water-resources/glenn-groundwater-authority/gga>

Committee Members: Tavis Beynon, Matt Deadmond, Emil Cavagnolo, Mark Lohse, Don Bills, Vacancy

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#### **11. CLOSED SESSION**

Gov't Code §54956.9 – Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated or significant exposure to litigation regarding tax refund claims and challenges to previously adopted property related fees.

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#### **12. CLOSED SESSION**

Gov't Code §54956.9 – Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation  
Aqualliance, California Water Impact Network, and California Sportfishing Alliance vs. Colusa Groundwater Authority, Glenn Groundwater Authority  
Colusa County Superior Court - Case Number CV24584

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#### **13. REPORT OUT FROM CLOSED SESSION**

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#### **14. MEMBER REPORTS AND COMMENTS**

Members of the GGA Board are encouraged to share information, reports, comments, and suggest future agenda items. Action cannot be taken on items brought up under this item.

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#### **15. NEXT MEETING**

The next regular meeting is scheduled for November 13, 2023 at 1:30 p.m.

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#### **16. ADJOURN**

The meeting will be adjourned.

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\*Indicates Action Item