

Glenn Groundwater Authority

Groundwater Sustainability Agency

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SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

GLENN GROUNDWATER AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS

APRIL 9, 2020

9:00 AM

Pursuant to Governor Newsom's Executive Orders N-29-20 this meeting was conducted by teleconference. The meeting was accessible via telephone, computer, smartphone or tablet.

Director Members Present:	Alternate/2 nd Alternate Directors	Agency Representing:
X John Viegas	Vince Minto	County of Glenn
X Bruce Roundy	Pete Carr	City of Orland
	Ed Vonasek (2 nd)	City of Orland
X Gary Hansen	X Evan Markey	City of Willows
George Nerli	X Leslie Nerli	Glide Water District
X John Amaro	Thad Bettner	Glenn-Colusa Irrigation District
X Charles Schonauer	X Emil Cavagnolo	Orland-Artois Water District
	X Andrea Jones (2 nd)	Orland-Artois Water District
X Randy Hansen	Wade Danley	Kanawha Water District
	Michael Alves (2 nd)	Kanawha Water District
X Mark Lohse	Seth Fiack	Monroeville Water District
X Gary Enos (9:40 AM)	Lance Boyd	Princeton-Codora-Glenn Irrigation District/ Provident Irrigation District

Others in attendance:

Lisa Hunter, GGA/Glenn County; Sharla Stockton, Glenn County; Holly Reimers; Del Reimers, Westside Ad Hoc Committee Member; Valerie Kincaid, GGA Counsel; Pat Vellines, DWR; Brandon Davison; Jaime Lely

1. CALL TO ORDER

John Amaro called the meeting to order at 9:02 AM and reviewed the remote access meeting protocol.

2. ROLL CALL

Roll was taken and is indicated above.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of meeting minutes from March 10, 2020.

The March 10, 2020 Board meeting minutes were approved as submitted.

Motion: John Viegas, Second: Chuck Schonauer, Vote: Unanimous

Roll Call Vote

John Viegas: AYE

Bruce Roundy: AYE

Gary Hansen: AYE

John Amaro: AYE

Chuck Schonauer: AYE

Randy Hansen: AYE
Mark Lohse: AYE
Gary Enos: ABSENT
Leslie Nerli: AYE

4. PERIOD OF PUBLIC COMMENT

None

5. CLOSED SESSION

Gov't Code §54956.9 - Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated or significant exposure to litigation (1)

John Amaro recessed the Board to Closed Session. The Board conferred with Legal Counsel. John Amaro reconvened the Board to Open Session.

6. REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

John Amaro read a prepared statement to report out of closed session as follows:

The GGA reviewed the Westside Ad Hoc Committee report. The GGA appreciates the time and participation of all the Westside Ad Hoc members. The GGA believes the options identified in the report are good concepts and have merit. In order to successfully implement any of the options, the GGA would need to develop a significant amount of data. For this reason, the GGA will continue to evaluate all of the available options while moving forward with the development of the Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) and compliance with other statutory SGMA requirements. The current property-related fee will remain in place while gathering the data to support GSP development. The GGA determines the Westside Ad Hoc Committee has completed the purpose for which it was appointed and disbands the committee, but encourages active participation of all stakeholders in the GSP development process including data sharing.

Del Reimers commented he felt the landowners were being put off and they have no options.

7. STAFF UPDATES

Lisa Hunter included the Program Manager Report in the meeting packet materials and highlighted the upcoming Groundwater Resources Association's Virtual Groundwater Sustainability Agency Summit, COVID-19 avoidance planning and implementation tasks, and FPPC Form 700 due dates have been extended to June 1, 2020.

8. FINANCIAL REPORT

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

The monthly activities report was not available and will be brought to the May meeting.

A motion was made to approve the claims as presented.

Motion: Gary Hansen, Second: Bruce Roundy, Vote: Unanimous

Roll Call Vote

John Viegas: AYE
Bruce Roundy: AYE

Gary Hansen: AYE
John Amaro: AYE
Chuck Schonauer: AYE
Randy Hansen: AYE
Mark Lohse: AYE
Gary Enos: AYE
Leslie Nerli: AYE

9. COLUSA SUBBASIN GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY PLAN

- a. Receive update on Plan development and upcoming Board and Public Workshops
- b. Receive update on Proposition 1 GSP Development Grant
- c. Receive update on Proposition 68 funding application

Lisa Hunter stated the Colusa Groundwater Authority (CGA) is the contracting agency for the Proposition 1 grant and a progress report and invoice are being prepared. The Proposition 68 grant application for the subbasin received the full amount of funding requested with a 100 percent cost share waiver. Ms. Hunter mentioned travel costs for consultants are not reimbursable under the new Proposition 68 grant and there will be some coordination on that end. The Proposition 68 grant will be added to the Proposition 1 Agreement with the CGA managing the contract. Ms. Hunter reviewed the path forward for GSP development including board meetings and consultant coordination. The HCM and Water Budget draft results will be shared at the April 13, 2020 CGA/GGA Joint Board meeting. The Colusa Subbasin GSP development contract has been executed by Davids Engineering and the GGA.

10. MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE COLUSA GROUNDWATER AUTHORITY AND GLENN GROUNDWATER AUTHORITY

- a. Review and discuss MOU
- b. Consider recommendation from the CGA/GGA Joint Executive Committee to approve the MOU.

John Amaro stated it is essentially the same product that has been reviewed before with minor changes. Lisa Hunter noted the CGA approved the MOU on March 24, 2020 with one change to the definition of "Management Areas" that was not included in the meeting packet. The change is to adjust the definition of Management Area from "an area within a subbasin..." to "an area within **the** subbasin...".

The Board approved the MOU with the noted changes.

Motion: John Viegas, Second: Gary Enos, Vote: Unanimous

Roll Call Vote

John Viegas: AYE
Bruce Roundy: AYE
Gary Hansen: AYE
John Amaro: AYE
Chuck Schonauer: AYE
Randy Hansen: AYE
Mark Lohse: AYE
Gary Enos: AYE
Leslie Nerli: AYE

11. COMMITTEE UPDATES

a. Executive Committee

i. CGA/GGA Joint Executive Committee

The GGA Executive Committee met on March 25, 2020 and set a bi-monthly meeting schedule for 2020, discussed the MOU between the GGA and CGA, and discussed remote meetings in response to State and Federal COVID-19 guidance.

b. Stakeholder Engagement Committee

The Stakeholder Engagement Committee has not met and has nothing new to report.

c. Technical Advisory Committee

The TAC has not met and has nothing new to report.

d. West Side Ad Hoc Committee

The Westside Ad Hoc Committee previously developed a report outlining recommendations and submitted it to the Board which was addressed by the Board in the report out of closed session under Item 6.

e. Budget Ad Hoc Committee

The Budget Ad Hoc Committee will be coordinating via email and remote meetings and plans to bring a draft budget to the May 11, 2020 meeting.

12. MEMBER REPORTS AND COMMENTS

None

13. NEXT MEETING

The next GGA Board meeting will be a joint meeting with the CGA held on April 13, 2020 via teleconference followed by a GGA Board meeting May 11, 2020.

14. ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 10:00 AM.