## Groundwater Sustainability Agency

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#### BOARD OF DIRECTORS AGENDA BACKUP MATERIALS

MEETING DATE: November 12, 2019

#### AGENDA ITEM 1: CALL TO ORDER

The Chairperson will call the meeting to order. Introductions may also be made.

#### AGENDA ITEM 2: ROLL CALL

Roll call will be conducted.

## AGENDA ITEM 3: APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. \*Approval of meeting minutes from September 9, 2019.
- b. \*Approval of meeting minutes from October 14, 2019.
- c. \*Approval of CGA/GGA Joint Board meeting minutes from October 30, 2019.

Draft meeting minutes for the September 9 and October 14 meetings are attached. The CGA/GGA Joint Board meeting minutes were not available at the time of packet preparation and will be considered at a future meeting.

ITEM 3.a

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#### MEETING MINUTES

## GLENN GROUNDWATER AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS SEPTEMBER 9, 2019 1:30 PM

#### 702 NORTH COLUSA STREET, WILLOWS, CA 95988

Director Members Present:		Agency Representing:
Х	John Viegas	County of Glenn
Х	Bruce Roundy	City of Orland
Х	Gary Hansen	City of Willows
	George Nerli	Glide Water District
Х	John Amaro	Glenn-Colusa Irrigation District
Х	Charles Schonauer	Orland-Artois Water District
Х	Randy Hansen	Kanawha Water District
Х	Gary Enos	Princeton-Codora-Glenn Irrigation District/
		Provident Irrigation District
Alte	rnate Members Present:	
	Vince Minto	County of Glenn
	Pete Carr	City of Orland
Х	Evan Markey	City of Willows
Х	Leslie Nerli	Glide Water District
	Thaddeus Bettner	Glenn-Colusa Irrigation District
Х	Emil Cavagnolo	Orland-Artois Water District
	Wade Danley	Kanawha Water District
	Lance Boyd	Princeton-Codora-Glenn Irrigation District/
		Provident Irrigation District
2 <sup>nd</sup> /	Alternate Members Present:	
	Ed Vonasek	City of Orland
Х	Andrea Jones	Orland-Artois Water District
	Michael Alves	Kanawha Water District

Others in attendance:

Lisa Hunter, GGA/Glenn County; Mark Lohse, Glenn Ground Water District; George Pendell, Stony Creek; Holly Reimers; Valerie Kincaid, GGA Counsel; Lisa Humphreys, Farm Bureau; Sharla Stockton, Glenn County

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

John Amaro called the meeting to order at 1:30 PM.

#### 2. ROLL CALL

Roll was taken and is indicated above.

## 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of meeting minutes from August 1, 2019.

The meeting minutes for August 1, 2019 were approved as submitted.

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

4. PERIOD OF PUBLIC COMMENT None

#### 5. STAFF UPDATE

Lisa Hunter gave an update and provided a handout which included the Stakeholder Communication and Engagement Plan developed by the Consensus and Collaboration Program (CCP) through the Facilitation Support Services program funded by DWR. She highlighted tasks and projects including the annual audit progress, CGA/GGA Joint TAC tasks, Technical Support Services project, Facilitation Support Services, the CGA/GGA draft Memorandum of Understanding progress, and review of the westside well query information provided by DWR. Additionally, the Joint CGA/GGA Public Workshops will take place September 19 at Colusa VFW Hall and September 23 at Glenn Success Conference Center. Regarding the long-term funding, all necessary documents have been provided to the Glenn County Department of Finance. Provost & Pritchard staff is reviewing errors. The adjusted total is currently 5,568 parcels for a total of \$449,742.06.

## 6. ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR 2019/2020

a. Election of Chairperson

Bruce Roundy nominated John Amaro for the position of Chairperson. John Viegas moved to close nominations, seconded by Bruce Roundy. The Board unanimously voted John Amaro to serve as Chairperson.

## b. Election of Vice-Chairperson

John Amaro nominated John Viegas to serve as Vice-Chairperson. Gary Enos moved to close nominations, seconded by Randy Hansen. The Board unanimously voted John Viegas to serve as Vice-Chairperson.

## c. Election of Secretary

Leslie Nerli nominated Lisa Hunter for the position of Secretary. John Viegas moved to close nominations, seconded by Randy Hansen. The Board unanimously voted Lisa Hunter to serve as Secretary.

d. Confirm appointment of Treasurer as County of Glenn

Leslie Nerli moved to confirm the appointment of Treasurer as County of Glenn. Gary Hansen moved to close the item, seconded by John Viegas. The Board unanimously confirmed the appointment of Treasurer as County of Glenn.

## 7. FINANCIAL REPORT

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

The Monthly Activities Report was not available. The Claims Summary was included in the meeting packet materials.

Lisa Hunter discussed the 10% retention policy DWR has on Proposition 1 grant funding and initial discussions on how the retention will be shared by the CGA and GGA. Valerie Kincaid stated if the Proposition 68 grant funding was applied for and awarded, it appears that DWR would not have an additional 10% retention for the second round of grant funding which may be beneficial.

Additional discussion and clarification took place on claims. A motion was made to approve the claims as presented.

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

## 8. LONG-TERM FUNDING

Receive update on Long-Term Funding activities and provide direction as needed.

Lisa Hunter discussed Long-Term Funding activities under the Item 5, Staff Updates. Ms. Hunter stated depending on the errors that Provost & Pritchard are reviewing, additional discussion may take place at a later date.

## 9. 2018/2019 ANNUAL AUDIT

Receive update on 2018/2019 annual audit and provide direction as needed.

John Amaro stated the 2018/2019 Annual Audit Engagement Letter has been signed and submitted to CLA staff.

## 10. GLENN GROUND WATER DISTRICT UDPATE

Receive update on Glenn Ground Water District activities and review next steps to confirm membership.

The Glenn Ground Water District letter requesting formal membership into the GGA was included in the meeting packet. Next steps to confirm membership include receipt of payment from the Glenn Ground Water District and for the Glenn Ground Water District to execute the JPA. Once those items have occurred, the GGA can confirm membership of the Glenn Ground Water District in the GGA. Additionally, the Glenn Ground Water District will be changing their District name to the Monroeville Water District.

## 11. REVIEW AND DISCUSS SECTION 4.6: VOTING OF THE GLENN GROUNDWATER AUTHORITY JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT

John Amaro stated the voting structure is up for its two-year review as directed in the JPA. This provision was put in the JPA in case there were concerns with the voting structure as the agency matured. The Board mentioned the voting structure is working well and no changes were necessary. It was the consensus of the Board to keep the voting structure as it is written in the JPA.

## **12. COMMITTEE UPDATES**

- a. Executive Committee
  - i. CGA/GGA Joint Executive Committee

The GGA Executive Committee met jointly with the CGA Executive Committee on September 4, 2019 principally to review the draft CGA/GGA Memorandum of Understanding.

## b. Funding Ad Hoc Committee

The Funding Ad Hoc Committee has not met and has nothing to report.

- c. Stakeholder Engagement Committee The Stakeholder Engagement Committee has not met.
- d. Technical Advisory Committee

The TAC met August 22, 2019 to select an ad hoc committee to review proposals. The CGA/GGA Joint TAC met on September 4, 2019 and discussed interviewing three out of the four proposals received for the remaining Groundwater Sustainability Plan development tasks. Scheduling the interviews is being coordinated. The CGA/GGA Joint TAC recommendation will be brought to the respective Boards for consideration of approval.

e. West Side Ad Hoc Committee

The West Side Ad Hoc Committee has not met. There was some discussion regarding using this committee to brainstorm ideas, available information, data that is lacking, committee purpose, questions on fees, and the development of the fee structure. The remaining stakeholder/landowner position on the committee will likely be filled by Charlie Sullivan.

## 13. CONSIDER DISSOLVING THE FUNDING AD HOC COMMITTEE

There was a motion to dissolve the Funding Ad Hoc Committee.

Motion: Chuck Schonauer, Second: Randy Hansen Vote: Unanimous

## 14. 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 matters and the Board conferred with Legal Counsel on anticipated or significant exposure to litigation. Mr. Amaro reconvened the Board to Open Session. No reportable action was taken.

15. MEMBER REPORTS AND COMMENTS

None

16. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled for October 14, 2019 at 1:30 PM.

17. ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned 3:24 PM.

ITEM 3.b

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#### MEETING MINUTES

## GLENN GROUNDWATER AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS OCTOBER 14, 2019 1:30 PM

#### 702 NORTH COLUSA STREET, WILLOWS, CA 95988

Dire	ector Members Present:	Agency Representing:
Х	John Viegas	County of Glenn
Х	Bruce Roundy	City of Orland
Х	Gary Hansen	City of Willows
	George Nerli	Glide Water District
Х	John Amaro	Glenn-Colusa Irrigation District
Х	Charles Schonauer	Orland-Artois Water District
Х	Randy Hansen	Kanawha Water District
Х	Mark Lohse	Monroeville Water District
Х	Gary Enos	Princeton-Codora-Glenn Irrigation District/
		Provident Irrigation District
Alte	rnate Members Present:	
	Vince Minto	County of Glenn
	Pete Carr	City of Orland
Х	Evan Markey	City of Willows
	Leslie Nerli	Glide Water District
	Thaddeus Bettner	Glenn-Colusa Irrigation District
Х	Emil Cavagnolo	Orland-Artois Water District
	Wade Danley	Kanawha Water District
	Seth Fiack	Monroeville Water District
	Lance Boyd	Princeton-Codora-Glenn Irrigation District/
		Provident Irrigation District
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Alternate Members Present:	
	Ed Vonasek	City of Orland
Х	Andrea Jones	Orland-Artois Water District
	Michael Alves	Kanawha Water District

Others in attendance:

Lisa Hunter, GGA/Glenn County; Holly Reimers, landowner/stakeholder; Del Reimers, landowner/stakeholder; Valerie Kincaid, GGA Counsel; Sharla Stockton, Glenn County, Dave Ceppos, Consensus and Collaboration Program; Ken Loy, West Yost Associates; Byron Clark, Davids Engineering; Merrilee Vanderwaal, Monroeville Water District; Pat Vellines, DWR; Gwynn Turnbull Weaver, landowner/stakeholder

1. CALL TO ORDER

John Amaro called the meeting to order at 1:30 PM.

#### 2. ROLL CALL

Roll was taken and is indicated above.

## 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of meeting minutes from September 9, 2019.

The meeting minutes for September 9, 2019 were not available and will be considered for approval at the next meeting.

## 4. PERIOD OF PUBLIC COMMENT

Holly Reimers asked what benefit the westside landowners receive for the fee being charged. Valerie Kincaid responded stating the benefit is SGMA representation and SGMA management to be in compliance with the law. There are two ways to go about being SGMA compliant, through a local Groundwater Sustainability Agency (GSA) or reporting directly to the State. Ms. Reimers stated her bill would be cheaper if they reported to the State.

## 5. STAFF UPDATE

Lisa Hunter provided the GGA with a verbal update on Program Manager activities. She stated her tasks have mainly involved working on meeting coordination and reviewing proposals and related tasks for the consultant selection process to develop the Colusa Subbasin Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP).

## 6. MONROEVILLE WATER DISTRICT

Consider confirmation of the Monroeville Water District membership in GGA following receipt of funding obligation and execution of JPA; authorize Chairman to execute letter regarding confirmation following receipt of funding obligation and execution of JPA.

Lisa Hunter confirmed both conditions have been met by the Monroeville Water District. A motion was made to authorize the Chairperson execute a letter regarding confirmation.

Motion: Chuck Schonauer, Second: Bruce Roundy Vote: Unanimous

The GGA welcomed Mark Lohse as the GGA Member Director for the Monroeville Water District. Seth Fiack will serve as the Alternate.

## 7. FINANCIAL REPORT

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

The Monthly Activities Report was approved as submitted.

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

The Claims Summary was included in the meeting packet materials. There was some discussion regarding the Provost and Pritchard claim. The amount of the invoice exceeds the not to exceed amount listed in the contract. It was suggested to pay the invoice up to the contract not to exceed amount and request staff to work with Provost & Pritchard and report back to the Board regarding the overage at the next meeting. There was a motion to approve the Provost & Pritchard claim up to the contractual amount and approve the remaining claim as presented.

Motion: Gary Hansen, Second: Randy Hansen, Vote: Unanimous

## 8. LONG-TERM FUNDING

- a. Receive update on Long-Term Funding activities and provide direction as needed.
- b. Approve Program Manger to send property-related fee bills directly to parcels not included in the County's tax bill system.

Lisa Hunter discussed Long-Term Funding activities and gave some background on sending property-related fee bills directly to parcels not included in the County's tax bill system, which are generally government parcels. A motion was made to approve Item 8.b as presented.

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

## 9. 2018/2019 ANNUAL AUDIT

Receive update on 2018/2019 audit and provide direction as needed.

Lisa Hunter stated she will meet with CliftonLarsonAllen staff this week to review documentation and assist in gathering the requested information. She will continue to update the Board as the process moves forward.

## 10. PROPOSITION 68 GRANT FUNDING APPLICATION

- a. Consider entering into a contract not to exceed \$20,000 with Davids Engineering, Inc. to develop and submit a Proposition 68 grant funding application and authorize the GGA Board Chairman to execute the contract upon approval from Legal Counsel.
- b. Consider submitting Proposition 68 grant application upon staff approval and approving Resolution authorizing the Glenn Groundwater Authority to serve as the grant applicant on behalf of the Colusa Subbasin Groundwater Sustainability Agencies.

Lisa Hunter reviewed the Proposition 68 grant funding application opportunity. The Colusa Groundwater Authority (CGA) put together an Ad Hoc Committee to look into the application process. Ms. Hunter has been coordinating with CGA staff, Davids Engineering, and the CGA Ad Hoc Committee to discuss potential options for this opportunity. Davids Engineering has indicated they have the capacity to develop the grant application if the CGA and GGA decide to move forward, which is addressed in Item 10.a. Ms. Hunter mentioned due to the short time-frame, the GGA would need to take the lead role being the grant applicant and entering into the contract with Davids Engineering to develop the grant application. The CGA Board does not meet until the CGA/GGA Joint Board Meeting scheduled for October 30, which is only one day before the grant application is due. The CGA Board does not meet again until November. There was discussion on potential reimbursement, implementation projects, and GSP development.

A motion was made to enter into a contract not to exceed \$20,000 with Davids Engineering, Inc. to develop and submit a Proposition 68 grant funding application and authorize the GGA Board Chairman to execute the contract upon approval from Legal Counsel.

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

There was a motion to approve submitting a Proposition 68 grant application upon staff approval and approve Resolution 2019-003 authorizing the Glenn Groundwater Authority to serve as the grant applicant on behalf of the Colusa Subbasin Groundwater Sustainability Agencies.

Motion: Gary Hansen, Second: Bruce Roundy Roll Call Vote: AYES: John Viegas, Bruce Roundy, Gary Hansen, John Amaro, Chuck Schonauer, Randy Hansen, Gary Enos, Mark Lohse NOES: None ABSENT: George Nerli

## **11. COMMITTEE UPDATES**

- a. Executive Committee
  - CGA/GGA Joint Executive Committee The GGA Executive Committee did not meet and has nothing new to report.
- b. Stakeholder Engagement Committee
  The Stakeholder Engagement Committee has not met.
- c. Technical Advisory Committee

The Joint CGA/GGA TAC met September 20, 2019 to hold interviews for the top three ranked proposals to provide services for Groundwater Sustainability Plan development for the Colusa Subbasin. Staff requested clarifications from the proposal teams and have received answers. The clarifications will be presented at the upcoming Joint CGA/GGA TAC meeting on October 16, 2019. The CGA/GGA will review the clarifications and make a recommendation at the CGA and GGA Boards October 30, 2019 CGA/GGA Joint Board Workshop.

d. West Side Ad Hoc Committee

The West Side Ad Hoc Committee met September 18, 2019. Gwynn Turnbull provided an update on discussion that took place during the ad hoc committee meeting. She summarized landowners on the fringe of the basin feel that they should not be included in the basin boundary and discussion. She indicated while no solution has been developed, there has been a good exchange and is hopeful there will be a short term and a long term solution through this process. There are a few ideas being discussed at the committee level, but will wait until the idea is fully formed before bringing it to the Boards for consideration.

Additional discussion included the Proposition 218 process, a cursory review of well infrastructure, and other related topics. Holly Reimers suggested requesting information from the Army Corps of Engineers regarding core samples near Black Butte Reservoir. Charlie Sullivan has indicated a willingness to serve as the third westside landowners/stakeholder member of the committee. Members of the committee include GGA members John Viegas, Randy Hansen, and Chuck Schonauer, landowner/stakeholder members Del Reimers, Gwynn Turnbull Weaver, Charlie Sullivan, and DWR staff Brandon Davison. The next meeting is currently being scheduled.

## 12. BOARD INFORMATIONAL SESSION: Groundwater Sustainability Plan Development

Dave Ceppos from the Consensus and Collaboration Program at Sacramento State University led the informational session of the presentation. Mr. Ceppos's efforts are part of the Facilitation Support Services program funded by DWR. He reviewed GSP processes, basin setting, basin conditions, and management areas among other topics. Ken Loy from West Yost Associates reviewed the Colusa Subbasin Hydrogeologic Conceptual Model and how these

projects are the basis for many components of the GSP. Mr. Loy also reviewed relevant sustainability indicators and examples of types of data the Board might encounter while determining measurable objectives and minimum thresholds. Byron Clark from Davids Engineering reviewed the water budget components required to be included in the GSP. Mr. Ceppos wrapped up the presentation highlighting beneficial user input from the recent public workshops.

## 13. 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 and the Board conferred with Legal Counsel on anticipated or significant exposure to litigation. John Amaro reconvened the Board to Open Session. No reportable action was taken.

## 14. MEMBER REPORTS AND COMMENTS None

## 15. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled for October 30, 2019 at 1:00 PM (CGA/GGA Joint Board Meeting). The Board's next regular meeting is scheduled for November 12, 2019 at 1:30 PM.

## 16. ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned 4:07 PM.

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#### AGENDA ITEM 4: PERIOD OF PUBLIC COMMENT

Members of the public are encouraged to address the GGA Board of Directors. Public comment will be limited to 5 minutes.

## AGENDA ITEM 5: STAFF UPDATES

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

## AGENDA ITEM 6: FINANCIAL REPORT

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

The Monthly Activities Report and Claims Summary are attached.

## Glenn Groundwater Authority Monthly Activities Report June 2019

	Description	Amount	
Beginning Balance		\$	527,784.91
Revenue			
	Interest	\$	3,822.79
	Colusa Goundwater Authority 19-GGA-09*	\$	13,058.50
	Colusa Goundwater Authority 19-GGA-17*	\$	2,821.50
	Colusa Goundwater Authority 19-GGA-18*	\$	10,715.25
Total Revenue		\$	30,418.04
Expenses			
	Provost & Pritchard Inv # 73422	\$	10,044.57
	O'Laughlin & LLP Inv # 9081	\$	10,610.00
	Davids Engineering Inc Inv 1178.01-3513	\$	2,175.75
	Provost & Pritchard Inv # 73954	\$	16,817.32
	O'Laughlin & LLP Inv # 9117	\$	5,440.00
	Provost & Pritchard Inv # 74109	\$	1,616.30
	Reimbursment Overpayment Colusa Water Authority	\$	(142.56)
	WATER RESOURCE HRS REIMBURS INV 19-WR-03	\$	28,302.57
	Sac Valley Mirror - Legal Advertising	\$	73.20
Total Expenses		\$	74,937.15
Ending Balance		\$	483,265.80

\* Invoices expecting payment- booked in 18/19 (DUE FROM OTHER GOVT) Will be accounted for as Deferred Inflow when received Glenn Groundwater Authority Monthly Activities Report July 2019

	Description	Ar	nount
Beginning Balance		\$	483,265.80
Revenue			
Total Revenue		\$	-
Expenses			
	A-87 COST	\$	199.92
Total Expenses		\$	199.92
Ending Balance			483,065.88

Glenn Groundwater Authority Monthly Activities Report August 2019

	Description	Aı	mount
Beginning Balance		\$	483,065.88
Revenue			
	* See deferred inflow below (booked in 18/19)		
Total Revenue		\$	-
Expenses			
	Golden State Risk Management Authority Inv #GS1907100579	\$	1,800.00
	A-87 COST	\$	199.92
Total Expenses		\$	1,999.92
Ending Balance			481,065.96
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*Deferred inflow boo	ked in 18/19 (accounted for in June 2019):		
	Colusa Goundwater Authority 19-GGA-09*	\$	13,058.50
	Colusa Goundwater Authority 19-GGA-18*	\$	
Total deferred inflow		\$	23,773.75

Glenn Groundwater Authority Monthly Activities Report September 2019

	Description	A	mount
Beginning Balance		\$	481,065.96
Revenue			
	INTEREST	\$	1,647.30
Total Revenue		\$	1,647.30
Expenses			
	Davids Engineering Inc Inv 1178.01-3528*	\$	
	O'Laughlin & Paris LLP Inv # 9146	\$	6,960.00
	Davids Engineering, Inc Inv 1178.01-3588	\$	14,624.00
	Davids Engineering, Inc Inv 1178.01-3625	\$	20,587.25
	O'Laughlin & Paris LLP Inv # 9193	\$	2,765.00
	Provost & Pritchard Inv 74857	\$	3,344.44
	A-87 COST	\$	199.92
Total Expenses		\$	54,378.61
Ending Balance		\$	428,334.65

\*Invoice should have been paid in FY 18/19- DOF error in processing

Glenn Groundwater Authority Monthly Activities Report October 2019 DRAFT

	Description	Amount		
Beginning Balance Revenue		\$	428,334.65	
Nevenue	* See deferred inflow below (booked in 18/19)			
Total Revenue		\$	_	
Expenses		Ŧ		
	Davids Engineering, Inc Inv 1178.01-3655	\$	16,017.74	
	Provost & Pritchard Inv 75009 Revised	\$	1,626.53	
	CalCard JK- Lunch for TAC Committee	\$	88.82	
	A-87 COST	\$	199.92	
Total Expenses		\$	17,933.01	
Ending Balance		Ş	410,401.64	
*Deferred inflow boo	oked in 18/19 (accounted for in June 2019):			
	Colusa Goundwater Authority 19-GGA-17*	\$	2,821.50	
Total deferred inflow	,	\$	2,821.50	

## ITEM 6.b

## Glenn Groundwater Authority

## Invoices to be paid

Meeting Date: November 12, 2019

Invoice Date	Invoice Number	Description	Amc	ount
9/27/2019	9228	O'Laughlin & Paris LLP	\$ 5	5,810.00
10/22/2019	75437 Revised	Provost & Pritchard	\$ 2	2,348.78
10/31/2019	9259	O'Laughlin & Paris LLP	\$ 8	3,330.00
11/8/2019	19-WR-06	Glenn County- Admin Support (Jul-Sep 2019)	\$ 30	),647.33

Total

\$ 47,136.11

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## AGENDA ITEM 7: 2018/2019 ANNUAL AUDIT

Receive update on 2018/2019 annual audit and provide direction as needed.

On August 1, 2019, the GGA Board approved the CliftonLarsonAllen LLP (CLA) Engagement Letter upon approval from Counsel. Valerie Kincaid provided suggested changes consistent with the 2018 Engagement Letter. These changes were made to the 2019 Engagement Letter and were accepted by CLA. The Engagement Letter has been signed by the Board Chair and Program Manager and submitted to CLA staff.

Staff meet with CLA staff October 17, 2019 to review documentation. Initial testing did not indicate any concerns.

## AGENDA ITEM 8: GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILTY PLAN

 \*Authorize the Chairman to negotiate and execute a contract with Davids Engineering, Inc. to provide services for the development of the Colusa Subbasin Groundwater Sustainability Plan not to exceed \$840,000.

The Colusa Groundwater Authority and Glenn Groundwater Authority have been coordinating to bring a consultant on board to develop the Groundwater Sustainability Plan for the Colusa Subbasin. Through a coordinated effort of staff and TAC members from each agency, a Request for Proposals (RFP) was developed. The RFP was issued on July 12, 2019 and closed August 13, 2019. Four proposals were received and evaluated in two phases.

## Phase I

• Written Proposals

The written proposals were scored based on the criteria presented in the Request for Proposals. Initial scoring was conducted by an ad hoc committee composed of two members and one alternate from the CGA TAC and two members from the GGA TAC. Based on the review of the written proposals, the ad hoc committee selected three respondents to invite to an interview.

## Phase II

- Interviews
- Clarification Questions/Responses
- References

Interviews were conducted at a Joint CGA/GGA TAC meeting in open session. The Joint TAC deliberated selection of a consultant in closed session. No reportable action came out of closed session.

Program Managers for the CGA and GGA sent clarification questions to each of the three consulting teams to address remaining questions from the Joint CGA/GGA TAC. References listed in the proposals were also called and asked a standard list of questions.

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The Joint TAC continued deliberations at a TAC meeting on October 16. After review of the responses to the clarification questions and summary of reference responses, the Joint TAC reported out of closed session that the TAC recommended the CGA & GGA Boards select the Davids Engineering, Inc. team to provide services for the development of the Colusa Subbasin Groundwater Sustainability Plan.

The Joint TAC presented the recommendation at the Joint CGA/GGA Board meeting on October 30, 2019. The TAC members and Board members had access to all four proposals. A summary of the Phase I and Phase II review and distilled TAC comments were also included at the October 30, 2019 Joint Board meeting.

The CGA and GGA Board both approved the recommendation to select Davids Engineering for this project. GGA will serve as the contracting agency for this project. The proposal work plan, budget, and schedule will be used as a basis for building the contract. Staff recommends also using the standard Davids Engineering contract for the general terms, as has been done in past projects. Refining the work plan, budget, and schedule will require coordination and concurrence with the CGA and Davids Engineering.

If the Board desires, the final draft agreement can be brought for approval at a future meeting or the Board can authorize the Chairman to negotiate and execute the contract.

## AGENDA ITEM 9: PROPOSITION 68 GRANT FUNDING APPLICATION

- a. Receive update on the Proposition 68 grant funding application and provide direction as needed.
- \*Authorize the Chairman to execute a letter indicating support for the Colusa Groundwater Authority to serve as the applicant on behalf of the Colusa Subbasin Groundwater Sustainability Agencies for the Proposition 68 grant application

The final Guidelines and PSP for SGM Planning round 3 (Proposition 68) grant funding were released on September 9, 2019. The Colusa Subbasin is eligible for up to \$1 million in funding, with a minimum grant amount of \$200,000. \$46.25 million in Proposition 68 funds, plus \$1.5 million in Proposition 1 funds, is available statewide for planning grants. (\$88 million will be available for implementation grants tentatively in 2021). Planning funding can go to support GSP development. Awards will be given on a basin-wide basis and priority will go to GSAs that did not receive funding from the initial Proposition 1 GSP grant opportunity. There is a cost share requirement for this round of funding, which could be reduced by any DAC or SDAC areas in the planning area.

Due to the very tight deadlines associated with this grant opportunity and the coordination needed between the CGA and GGA boards, the decision-making and grant application process has been a bit complicated. CGA and GGA staff have been coordinating and maintaining momentum to ensure the GSAs do not miss the opportunity to apply for this funding if desired. Staff have made an effort to efficiently use scheduled GSA board meetings to conduct all business necessary to develop and submit an application, as mutually agreed upon by both boards.

At their September 24 board meeting, the CGA Board informally agreed to pursue SGM Round 3 / Proposition 68 Planning Grant funding, in coordination with the Glenn Groundwater Authority. They also appointed an Ad Hoc committee to review the grant opportunity.

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At their October 14 board meeting, the GGA Board formally approved entering into a contract with Davids Engineering, Inc. to develop a grant proposal for the Colusa Subbasin. The GGA Board did this in good faith, anticipating that the CGA Board would approve splitting the consultant costs at their next Board meeting.

The GGA Board also approved Resolution 2019-003 authorizing the GGA to serve as the grant applicant on behalf of the GSAs in the Colusa Subbasin. It was later learned that, if the Colusa Subbasin is awarded SGM Round 3 funding, DWR will add all tasks and budget to the current SGM Round 2 (Proposition 1) grant agreement, rather than executing a new agreement. Because the CGA is the applicant/administrator for the current grant, they will need to be the applicant for the Round 3 proposal as well.

The CGA and GGA Boards met jointly on October 30. The CGA approved sharing the costs of consultant services to prepare the grant application and approved Resolution 2019-06 authorizing the CGA to serve as the grant applicant on behalf of the GSAs in the subbasin.

Letters supporting the grant application have been requested from neighboring GSAs. A letter supporting CGA's administrative role would be helpful to include in the application.

## Schedule:

- Grant Solicitation Closes: November 15, 2019
- Public Review of Draft Funding List: January 2020
- Final Awards: March 2020

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November 12, 2019

Mary Fahey Colusa Groundwater Authority Program Manager 100 Sunrise Blvd., Suite A Colusa, CA 95932

RE: Support Letter for a Proposal to obtain Proposition 68 SGM Round 3 Planning Grant funding for Groundwater Sustainability Plan development in the Colusa Subbasin

Dear Ms. Fahey:

The Glenn Groundwater Authority supports the Colusa Groundwater Authority being named the applicant to submit an application on behalf of the Groundwater Sustainability Agencies in the Colusa Subbasin to obtain grant funding under the 2019 Sustainable Groundwater Planning Grant Program pursuant to the California Drought, Water, Parks, Climate, Coastal Protection, and Outdoor Access for All Act of 2018 (Proposition 68; Pub. Resources Code, §80000, et seq.) and/or the Water Quality, Supply, and Infrastructure Improvement Act of 2014 (Proposition 1) (Water Code Section 79700 et seq.). We understand that, if awarded, the funding will be used collectively by the Colusa Groundwater Authority and Glenn Groundwater Authority for Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) development and associated activities for the entire Colusa Subbasin (5-021.52), one of the largest basins in the State, and the largest in the Sacramento Valley.

As a GSA in the Subbasin, the Glenn Groundwater Authority strongly supports this grant application and we appreciate the collaborative approach for GSP development and implementation in the Colusa Subbasin. We are dedicated to working with the Colusa Groundwater Authority, our partner agency in the Colusa Subbasin, to fulfill the requirements of SGMA in a cooperative and cost-effective manner.

Sincerely,

John Amaro Chairman

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AGENDA ITEM 10: \*CONSIDER PROVIDING A LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR THE ORLAND-ARTOIS WATER DISTRICT PROJECT TO BE INCLUDED IN THE NORTHERN SACRAMENTO VALLEY INTEGRATED REGIONAL WATER MANAGEMENT GROUP FUNDING APPLICATION

At the CGA/GGA Joint Board Meeting on October 30, 2019, Emil Cavagnolo, on behalf of the Orland-Artois Water District requested the CGA and GGA Board consider providing a letter supporting their Canal Pre-Screen project to be included in the Proposition 1, Round 1 Northern Sacramento Valley Integrated Regional Water Management grant application.

The proposed project is described in the Project Information Form as follows:

"OAWD has been converting from field types of crops to orchards at a fairly fast rate. In recent years groundwater aquifers in the District and the County have shown signs of depletion due to pumping to irrigate orchards using micro sprinkler and drip systems. These systems, while efficient, depend on clean water to operate properly. Therefore, the preference and recent trend has been for agricultural demands to shift to groundwater. However, surface water can be filtered, but at added expense to the grower. This project will pre-filter canal water and provide cleaner water to growers. The use of surface water over groundwater will lower the demand on aquifers, which will enhance groundwater sustainability, saving groundwater for the time surface water is not readily available. Project components include: Purchase custom screens and install on diversion intake. The screen will have an automated side-sweep brush which will keep the intake free of debris. This would keep much of the debris from entering the intake and causing problems with filtration for the agricultural water users."

Expected project outcomes include cleaner surface water resulting in increased use of surface water in lieu of groundwater use by growers. The project cost is estimated to be nearly \$75,000.

The Proposition 1, Round 1 IRWM Project Solicitation Package indicates "For groundwater projects or other projects that directly affect groundwater levels or quality in a high or medium priority basin, documentation that the project has support from the Groundwater Sustainability Agency of the impacted groundwater basin(s), or the agency responsible for implementing an alternative plan."

A Draft Letter of Support is attached.

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November 12, 2019

Emil Cavagnolo Orland-Artois Water District P.O. Box 218 Orland, CA 95963

RE: Support Letter for Project inclusion in the Proposition 1, Round 1 Northern Sacramento Valley Integrated Regional Water Management grant application

Dear Mr. Cavagnolo,

The Glenn Groundwater Authority supports the inclusion of the Orland-Artois Water District Canal Pre-Screen project in the Northern Sacramento Valley Integrated Regional Water Management Proposition 1, Round 1 grant application. We understand the expected project benefits include providing cleaner water to growers resulting in increased surface water use in lieu of groundwater use by growers. Ultimately, the results increase water supply reliability and potential undesirable results by utilizing surface water for crops when it is available and decreasing groundwater demand.

The Orland-Artois Water District, as a member of the Glenn Groundwater Authority, actively participates in discussions regarding sustainability of groundwater throughout the basin. We commend the Orland-Artois Water District for using this opportunity to submit a project for consideration in order to implement a project that will benefit the District, their growers, and the basin's groundwater health.

In conclusion, the Glenn Groundwater Authority strongly supports the proposed Orland-Artois Water District Canal Pre-Screen project. If you desire to discuss this project further, please contact the Glenn Groundwater Authority Program Manager, Lisa Hunter at (530) 934-6501.

Sincerely,

John Amaro Chairman **ITFM 10** 

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## AGENDA ITEM 11: \*CONSIDER APPROVAL OF 2020 BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE

The Board generally meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of each month at 1:30 pm. The draft meeting schedule is attached. Potential conflicts are noted for consideration, in particular the standing conflict with the Northern California Water Association's (NCWA) Groundwater Management Task Force meetings. The task force meets quarterly and provides an opportunity for regional collaboration and updates.

## **ITEM 11**

# Glenn Groundwater Authority Board of Directors 2020 Meeting Schedule

The GGA Board of Directors will meet generally on the **2<sup>nd</sup> Monday** of each month at **1:30 PM**. Meetings will be held at the Glenn County Department of Agriculture, 720 North Colusa Street, Willows, CA 95988. Exceptions are noted below.

- January 13, 2020
- February 10, 2020
- March 9, 2020
- April 13, 2020
- May 11, 2020
- June 8, 2020
- July 13, 2020
- August 10, 2020
- September 14, 2020
- October 12, 2020
- November 9, 2020
- December 14, 2020

#### Potential conflicts to consider:

March 9- NCWA Groundwater Task Force Meeting; Recommend March 10 June 8- NCWA Groundwater Task Force Meeting; Recommend June 1 or June 15 September 14- NCWA Groundwater Task Force Meeting; Recommend September 15 October 12- Columbus Day (not a County observed holiday); No change recommended December 14- NCWA Groundwater Task Force Meeting; Recommend December 15

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## AGENDA ITEM 12: COMMITTEE UPDATES

- a. Executive Committee
  - i. CGA/GGA Joint Executive Committee

The GGA Executive Committee did not meet and has nothing new to report.

The CGA/GGA Joint Executive Committee has not met since the September 4, 2019 meeting and has nothing new to report.

b. Stakeholder Engagement Committee

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

c. Technical Advisory Committee

The Joint CGA/GGA TAC met October 16, 2019 primarily to continue the consultant selection recommendation process for the GSP development project and to discuss the Proposition 68 grant application. A recommendation was made to select Davids Engineering to provide services to develop the GSP for the Colusa Subbasin. The recommendation was presented to the CGA and GGA Boards at the October 30, 2019 CGA/GGA Joint Board Workshop. The Joint TAC also discussed and prioritized potential items to be included in the Proposition 68 grant application.

d. West Side Ad Hoc Committee

The West Side Ad Hoc Committee met October 21, 2019 to continue brainstorming potential ideas to address landowner concerns in the western portion of the basin.

#### AGENDA ITEM 13: CLOSED SESSION

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

## AGENDA ITEM 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.

#### AGENDA ITEM 15: NEXT MEETING

The next regular meeting is scheduled for December 9, 2019 at 1:30 PM.

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