

CAWELO GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY

BOARD MEETING

Conference Room at District Office

Thursday, March 21, 2019

8:30 a.m.

MINUTES

DIRECTORS PRESENT: Keith Watkins, Mark Smith, Eric Miller, John Gaugel, Brian Blackwell

STAFF PRESENT: David Ansolabehere, Dave Hampton, LeeAnn Giles, Candice Valdez

LEGAL COUNSEL: Robert Hartsock

OTHER ATTENDEES: Andy Schweikart, Scott Hamilton, Garrett Baird, Tim Gobler, Sam Etchegaray, Todd Turley

A. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by President Watkins at 8:30 a.m. in the Conference Room of the District office located at 17207 Industrial Farm Road, Bakersfield, CA.

B. PUBLIC COMMENT

The floor was open for any public comments at which time there were none.

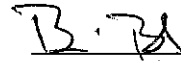
C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PRIOR MEETINGS

The minutes of Board meeting for February 14, 2019 were presented for approval. After review and discussion, *it was motioned by Director Miller, seconded by Director Gaugel and unanimously carried that the minutes from February 14, 2019 be approved as presented.*

D. GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY

- 1) **Update on SGMA Activities** – Mr. Hampton provided a brief update on local SGMA activities, including the County of Kern’s withdrawal from the Kern Groundwater Authority (KGA), and various coordination related issues, including weekly manager meetings covering recent topics such native yields and discussions with the Kern County Water Agency.
- 2) **Update on Basin/Cawelo Groundwater Model** – Mr. Hampton reported that Todd Groundwater recently presented the Basin Groundwater Model and certain district model information to various interested parties. Mr. Hampton also discussed the model’s preliminary results with respect to both the entire basin and the Cawelo GSA. The discussion included defining types of supplies and projected supplies from the different projects such as, state water, federal water, Article 21 water, Kern River water supplies and other supplies.
- 3) **Update on Cawelo GSP** – Mr. Hampton reported that Todd Groundwater presented a draft GSP for Cawelo, and the KGA is requesting draft minimum thresholds and monitoring networks from each of their members. CGSA has provided minimum thresholds based on projecting the impacts of a potential 10 year drought beyond the historical low groundwater levels. Projection information was derived from historical data from 2006-2016. Staff will present minimum threshold information to growers in a future GSA stakeholder meeting.
Mr. Hampton also presented a proposed monitoring network for the GSP.

- 4) **Update on CGSA Expansion Area** – Mr. Hampton reported that staff has received eight of the nine Landowner Inclusion Agreements and is currently waiting on the final Landowner Inclusion Agreement from Chevron, which included some new issues that were discussed with the Board.
- E. **ADJOURNMENT** – The Cawelo Groundwater Sustainability Agency meeting adjourned at 9:22 a.m.



Brian Blackwell, CGSA Board Secretary