

# **CAWELO GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY**

## **BOARD MEETING**

**Conference Room at District Office**

**Thursday, April 11, 2019**

**8:30 a.m.**

## **MINUTES**

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**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:** Scott Hamilton, Andy Schweikart, Garrett Busch, Ryan Niese

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### **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 28, 2019 and March 21, 2019 were presented for approval. After review and discussion, *it was motioned by Director Blackwell, seconded by Director Smith and unanimously carried that the minutes from February 28, 2019 and March 21, 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 developing and coordinating the Minimum Thresholds for the KGA area and other GSAs, meeting with the Eastside Water Management Area, and continuing the weekly Managers' Meetings.
- 2) **Update on Basin/Cawelo Groundwater Model** – Mr. Hampton reported that Todd Groundwater recently presented an updated Basin Groundwater Model and an update to Cawelo's Groundwater Model. The updated model provided current information, ag management budget information, and included the expanded GSA area data. Mr. Hampton also explained the need to adjust some of the data to accurately reflect Cawelo's water management.
- 3) **Update on Cawelo GSP** – Mr. Hampton reported that Staff has been working on the water budget and working with other management areas for coordination. Todd Groundwater has also requested additional information from all GSAs on banked groundwater that is owed to third parties outside the basin to refine the basin water budget. Additionally, discussed the need to develop projected water budgets and potential management actions to achieve sustainability. Mr. Hampton presented a draft list of potential Cawelo management action along with brief descriptions. Mr. Hampton also discussed the need to develop a "glide path" which is a schedule for implementing management actions.

- 4) **Update on CGSA Expansion Area** – Mr. Hampton reported that the County approved the Cawelo and County of Kern Joint Powers Agreement (JPA), and the Land Inclusion Agreement. When the JPA is fully executed then Chevron will execute their Landowner Inclusion Agreement. Once all documents are completed then Staff will start the process of modifying the GSA boundaries with DWR.
- E. **ADJOURNMENT** – The Cawelo Groundwater Sustainability Agency meeting adjourned at 9:26 a.m.



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Brian Blackwell, CGSA Board Secretary