

**CAWELO GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY
BOARD MEETING**

*Conference Room at Cawelo Water District's Office
Thursday, January 9, 2020
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, Celynn Lyman
LEGAL COUNSEL: Robert Hartsock
OTHER ATTENDEES: Ryan Niese, Ed Kuykendall, Garrett Busch, Andy Schweikart, Bruce Kelsey, Scott Hamilton

A. CALL TO ORDER

The Special Board Meeting was called to order by President Watkins at 8:30 a.m. in the Cawelo Water District's Conference Room located at 17207 Industrial Farm Road, Bakersfield, CA. 93308.

B. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments at this time.

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PRIOR MEETINGS

The minutes of Special Board Meeting for December 16, 2019 were presented for approval. After review and discussion, *it was motioned by Director Blackwell, seconded by Director Miller and unanimously carried that the minutes from December 16, 2019 be approved as presented.*

D. GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY

1) Update on Cawelo GSP

Mr. Hampton briefly described some non-substantial revisions to the GSP, as allowed by Board adoption of the GSP in December. The final Cawelo GSP will be provided to the KGA for inclusion within the KGA GSP submittal to DWR.

Mr. Hampton noted that, to date, approximately 77% of the Todd Groundwater contract budget has been expended.

E. Update on Local SGMA Activities

Mr. Hampton discussed the GSA coordination agreement and that not all five GSAs have approved it at this time. Mr. Hartsock continued that KGA has interpreted the agreement that Cawelo's participation would be as a "signatory" as opposed to a "party". It is believed that DWR has taken the position that only the five GSPs that are submitting independent GSPs would have to sign the coordination agreement. Minor modifications to the coordination agreement, clarifying rights under the agreement, should be expected from KGA and have been allowed for by the Board. Mr. Hampton noted the appendices

are not complete but will include the final Todd Groundwater report for the groundwater modeling, with revised basin yield numbers, and the completed monitoring protocols. Mr. Hartsock advised that failure to comply with coordination agreement requirement will result in potential ramifications up to and including plan rejection and probation of the Kern sub-basin.

RETURN TO PUBLIC COMMENT

At this time, Mr. Scott Hamilton (attendee and economic resource consultant) addressed the Board, staff and attendees to provide a brief update on the Delta Conveyance Project, water flows through the Delta, and discussed the San Joaquin Valley Water Blueprint for the.

F. ADJOURNMENT

The CGSA Board meeting adjourned at 9:05 a.m. The next regular CGSA Board Meeting is set for Thursday, February 13, 2020 at 8:30 a.m. in the Cawelo Water District Conference Room.



Brian Blackwell, CGSA Board Secretary