

**CAWELO GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY**  
**SPECIAL BOARD MEETING**

~~17207 Industrial Farm Road, Bakersfield CA 93308~~

**Pursuant to Executive Order N-29-20 NO PUBLIC ACCESS DUE TO COVID-19**  
**Public Participation via Zoom 1-(669)-900-6833 / Meeting ID: 893 2842 9663 / Password: 609537**

**Or via Link: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/89328429663?pwd=WjVSaGE4RUxhQTN3NIJyWlkvbTBodz09>**

**Thursday, September 9, 2021 - 8:50 a.m.**

**MINUTES**

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<b>DIRECTORS PRESENT:</b>	Keith Watkins, Brian Blackwell, Mark Smith, John Gaugel, Spencer Birch
<b>STAFF PRESENT:</b>	David Ansolabehere, Dave Halopoff, LeeAnn Giles, Celynn Lyman
<b>LEGAL COUNSEL:</b>	Robert Hartsock
<b>OTHER ATTENDEES:</b>	Jessica Bertao, Cody Tolbert

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**A. CALL TO ORDER**

The Special Board Meeting was called to order by President Watkins at 8:50 a.m.

**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 August 12, 2021 were presented for approval. After review and discussion, *it was motioned by Director Blackwell, seconded by Director Gaugel and unanimously carried, that the minutes from August 12, 2021 be approved as presented.*

**D. UPDATE ON LOCAL SGMA ACTIVITIES**

In addition to providing a written report, Mr. Halopoff reported that GEI is going to provide Version 2 of the DMS tomorrow (September 10, 2021) to the Managers Group. Version 2 includes developing specific access levels for Groundwater Sustainability Agencies (GSAs) / Management Areas (MAs) and smart phone / tablet-based access. This update also includes allowing public access to the DMS data for landowners and interested parties. The KGA will be holding landowner / interested party outreach regarding the DMS soon.

The KGA, Managers Group, and Coordination Committee have been continuing discussions regarding the Native Yield Study (Study). Discussions have been regarding Subtask 1.3 to evaluate and determine the various components and assumptions that will form the foundation of the Study. This process will identify which portions of natural recharge components (i.e., precipitation, watershed hydrology, bedrock inflows, return flows, stormwater, wastewater, stream flow, etc.) will be incorporated into the Study. Current discussions are leading the group to separate Subtask 1.3 into a new standalone task that will be completed prior to beginning the other tasks in the Study.

The KGA and the Managers Group reviewed and provided comment on the draft language for responses to potential Kern County Proposed General Plan Amendment, Zone Change, and

Precise Development Plan review letters. The draft language is a starting point to assist GSAs / MAs in preparing responses to Kern County. Draft language was attached for Board review.

It was noted that there was no Kern Groundwater Authority Board Meeting in August.

**E. ADJOURNMENT**

The CGSA Special Board meeting adjourned at 8:59 a.m. The next regular CGSA Board Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, October 14, 2021.

*Brian Blackwell*

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Brian Blackwell, CGSA Board Secretary