

CAWELO GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING

Cawelo Water District Conference Room

Thursday, November 14, 2024 – 8:50 a.m.

17207 Industrial Farm Road, Bakersfield CA 93308

Public Participation Possible via Zoom 1-(669)-900-6833

Meeting ID: 870 7787 4735 / Passcode: 113567

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MINUTES

DIRECTORS PRESENT: Keith Watkins, John Gaugel, Spencer Birch, Jeremy Blackwell

DIRECTORS ABSENT: Mark Smith

STAFF PRESENT: David Ansolabehere, Dave Halopoff, LeeAnn Giles, Celynn Lyman

LEGAL COUNSEL: Isaac St. Lawrence

OTHER ATTENDEES: Kevin Padway, Parker Rous, Molly Thurman, Glen Weirheim

A. CALL TO ORDER

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

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 Special Board Meeting(s) from October 10, 2024 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 October 10, 2024 be approved as presented.**

D. UPDATE ON LOCAL SGMA ACTIVITIES

In addition to providing a written report, Mr. Halopoff provided an update on the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) Review, the Kern Subbasin Coordination Committee, Technical Working Group (TWG) and SWRCB Technical Meetings, Kern Subbasin TWG proposed monitoring network updates, Kern Subbasin Well Mitigation Plan outreach, Kern Subbasin Draft 2024 GSP public comments received, the Amended and Restated Kern County Subbasin Coordination Agreement, and the Kern Non-Districted Land Authority (KNDLA) October 2024 board meeting.

1) Kern Water Collaborative MOU

Mr. Halopoff re-presented the Kern Water Collaborative MOU. No action was taken as staff was provided authorization to execute on 9 May 2024.

2) Well Mitigation Plan Update:

In addition to providing a “DRAFT” copy of the Kern Subbasin Well Mitigation Plan, Mr. Halopoff reviewed the Draft Kern Subbasin Well Mitigation Plan.

**3) Chronic Lowering of Groundwater Levels Sustainable Management Criteria
Minimum Threshold Adjustments:**

In addition to providing documents for information, Mr. Halopoff reviewed and discussed the TWG's proposed updates to the Chronic Lowering of Groundwater Levels Minimum Thresholds and hydrographs for District representative monitoring wells.

E. ADJOURNMENT

The CGSA Special Board meeting adjourned at approximately 9:23 a.m. The next regular CGSA Board Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, December 12, 2024.

John Gaugel, CGSA Board Secretary