CAWELO GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING
Cawelo Water District Conference Room
Thursday, June 11, 2026 – 8:50 a.m.
17207 Industrial Farm Road, Bakersfield CA 93308
Public Participation Possible via Zoom : 1 (669) 444-9171
Meeting ID: 864 4790 5118 / Passcode: 333638
Or via Link: https://us06web.zoom.us/j/86447905118?pwd=gz5GfdapfXeTtttwtM7NTRsAfnYxaE.1

MINUTES

DIRECTORS PRESENT:	John Gaugel, Spencer Birch, Mark Smith, Keith Watkins
DIRECTORS ABSENT:	Jeremy Blackwell
STAFF PRESENT:	David Ansolabehere, Dave Halopoff, John Frankhouser, Myrna Sandoval, Jennifer Brown
LEGAL COUNSEL:	Isaac St. Lawrence
OTHER ATTENDEES:	Sonia Lemus, Kevin Padway, Michael Boccadero, Michael Miller, Blake Wallace

A. CALL TO ORDER

The Special Board Meeting was called to order by President Gaugel at 8:51 A.M.

B. PUBLIC COMMENT

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

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PRIOR MEETINGS

The Special Board Meeting Minutes for 14 May 2026 were presented for approval.

After review and discussion, **it was motioned by Director Birch, seconded by Director Smith and unanimously carried,** ***that the minutes from 14 May 2026*** be approved as presented**.**

D. UPDATE ON LOCAL SGMA ACTIVITIES

In addition to providing a written report, Mr. Halopoff provided an update on the 2025 Groundwater Sustainability Plan (**GSP**) implementation, Kern Subbasin Coordination Committee, Kern Subbasin transition to the Department of Water Resources (**DWR**), Kern Non-Districted Land Authority (**KNDLA**) board meeting, and LandIQ Daily ET Tool.

1) Consider Adoption of the Exceedance Policy and associated Action Plan for Land Subsidence – Version 2.0 (June 2026)

Mr. Halopoff provided background on the 2025 GSP Exceedance Policy and information on the Exceedance Policy and associated Action Plan for Land Subsidence – Version 2.0 (June 2026).

After review and discussion, **it was motioned by Director Watkins, seconded by Director Smith, and unanimously carried,** ***that the Exceedance Policy and associated Action Plan for Land Subsidence – Version 2.0 (June 2026)*** be adopted as presented.

Mr. Halopoff advised that Board that after the agenda was posted, staff was presented with the Kern Subbasin Cost Share Agreement 26-03 which needs Board approval prior to the next scheduled meeting. Mr. St. Lawrence advised the Board regarding the process to add an item to the agenda pursuant to Govt. Code section 54954.2(b)(2). After discussion, **it was motioned by Director Watkins, seconded by Director Smith, and unanimously carried,** ***to add Agenda Item D.2) Kern Subbasin Cost Share Agreement 26-03 to the agenda as Item 2 pursuant to Govt. Code section 54954.2(b)(2) finding*** **there is a need to take immediate action and that need for action came to the attention of the District subsequent to the agenda being posted.**

2) Kern Subbasin Cost Share Agreement 26-03

Mr. Halopoff provided information on the Kern Subbasin Cost Share Agreement 26-03.

After review and discussion, **it was motioned by Director Birch, seconded by Director Watkins, and unanimously carried,** ***that the Kern Subbasin Cost Share Agreement 26-03*** be approved as presented at a cost not to exceed $6,000.

E. ADJOURNMENT

The CGSA Special Board meeting adjourned at approximately 9:09 A.M. The next CGSA Special Board Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, July 9, 2026.

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Spencer Birch, CGSA Board Secretary