

**EAST KAWEAH GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR MEETING ON SEPTEMBER 25, 2023**

The East Kaweah Groundwater Sustainability Agency (“EKGSA”) Board of Directors duly met for a Special meeting on Wednesday, September 25, 2023, in person.

**OPEN SESSION:** Convened at 3:02 p.m. with a quorum.

1. **DIRECTORS PRESENT:** Buldo, Crosson (Alternate), George, Hornung, Micari (3:09 PM), Milanesio E., Peltzer, Roberts, Milanesio S., Watson

**DIRECTORS ABSENT:** Cerros

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Michael Hagman, Executive Director; Joe Hughes, Counsel; Chris Hunter, Program Manager; Matt Klinchuch, Consulting Engineer; Kait Palys, Consulting Engineer and various members of the committees and public.

2. **APPROVE THE AGENDA:** Motion to approve the agenda was made by Director Peltzer, seconded by Director George, and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Buldo, Crosson (Alternate), George, Hornung, Milanesio E., Peltzer, Roberts, Milanesio S., Watson

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Cerros, Micari

3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WAS CONDUCTED**

4. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** No public comment

5. **MINUTES:** Motion to adopt and ratify the minutes provided by the Secretary from the August 2023, Board Meeting was made by Director Hornung, seconded by Director E. Milanesio, and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Buldo, George, Hornung, Milanesio E., Peltzer, Roberts, Milanesio S., Watson

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: Crosson

ABSENT: Cerros, Micari

6. **ADMINISTRATIVE:**

- a. **Set FY2024 Budget Hearing Date:** Motion to set the FY2024 budget hearing to December 1, 2023 was made by Director Micari, seconded by Director E. Hornung, and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Buldo, Crosson (Alternate), George, Hornung, Micari (3:09 PM), Milanesio E., Peltzer, Roberts, Milanesio S., Watson

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Cerros

7. **CLOSED SESSION:**

The board went into closed session at 3:21 p.m. and after discussion, came out of closed session at 3:59 p.m. There was no reportable action.

8. **GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY PLAN IMPLEMENTATION:**

- a. **Allocation Year 2024:** Hagman presented the TAC recommendations for the 2024 Allocations; discussion was held with Board and public input.

After the discussion a motion and second were made (Milanesio/Micari) to adopt Resolution 23-07 setting the Native Yield at .85 acre-feet per acre, precipitation credit at 92% of the 25-year rolling average, and for EKGSA to purchase, from a willing seller, up to 4,500 acre-feet of surface water credits in the groundwater aquifer at \$250 an acre-foot. The motion passed on the following vote:

AYES:	Buldo, Micari, E. Milanesio, S. Milanesio, Peltzer, Roberts
NOES:	Crossen, George, Hornung, Watson
ABSTAIN:	None
ABSENT:	Cerros

- b. **Fee Structure:** Program Manager reported that the Board has allowed the AY2022 payments to be made by October 20, 2023 with its extension of the billing date needed by staff.
- c. **GSP Status:** Executive Director gave a quick report on the subbasin activities.
- d. **Mitigation Framework and Program:** Intera presented the to date efforts and that all the GSAs were working toward the similar programs by 2025. No action was taken.

The Executive Director reported that the next regularly scheduled board meeting is October 23, 2023, at 3:00 p.m.

9. **ADJOURNMENT:**

The meeting was adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

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**Michael D. Hagman**  
**Secretary, East Kaweah GSA**