

Southeast Sacramento County Agricultural Water Authority
Board Meeting Minutes
January 7, 2025

Opening:

1. The SSCAWA meeting was called to order by Vice Chairman Mulrooney at 9:50 a.m. at the Herald Firehouse, Herald, California.
2. Members present were John Mulrooney, Pat Kirby, Mark Stretars, Paul Hensleigh, Gary Silva Jr. and Leo VanWarmerdam (9:50). Also present were Mike Wackman, Wendy Sparrowk, Cameron Crouch, Tony Merola, Teresa Flewellyn and Tish Espinosa.
3. Public Comment - Nothing to report.

Consent Items:

1. The agenda for the meeting was reviewed. The minutes for the 10/8/24 meeting were reviewed. The Treasurer's Report and bills since the last meeting were reviewed. **A motion was made by Director Kirby to approve the Agenda, Minutes, TR, and bills; motion second by Director Stretars; motion approved 6/0/3.**

Information /Action Items:

1. Sustainable Groundwater Management Act -
 - a. Cosumnes Basin update – CGA is asking for annual updates from each GSA for 2024. EKI is gathering the information for this year 4 update. CWD reported that no irrigated crops have been taken out this year while both GID and SHRCD have had crop removals. Efforts will be made for changes/amendments to the PMAs for the year 5 update which may be pushed into year 6. CGA is working on moving forward with goal setting headed by Lindsey Liebig. CGA needs to be added to the Form 700 Conflict of Interest for District representatives. Teresa Flewellyn represented the Outreach Committee by informing the Directors of an upcoming appreciation event in Herald for all growers in the area. This will include the water efficiency program.
2. DWR Stream Gauge grant update – Mike Wackman gave a review of the stream gage grants of SSCAWA members. OHWD was approved for 2 updates and 1 new gage, CWD approved for 1 new gage and GID approved for 1 new gage and pending 1 new gage.
3. Other Business – Mike Wackman discussed the quality of Harvest water and explained the Sacramento Sewer Agency/SCGA resolution that states if contracting Harvest surface water the landowner does not lose the right to pump groundwater. Other toilet-to-tap water projects were discussed. Mike Wackman reviewed the OHWD grant projects along the Cosumnes River.
4. Director Comments – Nothing to report.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:36 a.m.

Leo VanWarmerdam, Chairman
