

Southeast Sacramento County Agricultural Water Authority
Board Meeting Minutes
January 13, 2026

Opening:

1. The SSCAWA meeting was called to order by Chairman VanWarmerdam at 9:37 a.m. at the Herald Firehouse, Herald, California.
2. Members present were Leo VanWarmerdam, John Mulrooney, Pat Kirby and Mark Stretars. Also present were Mike Wackman, Lindsey Carter and Wendy Sparrowk.
3. Public Comment – Nothing to report.

Consent Items:

1. The agenda for the meeting was reviewed. The minutes for the 10/14/25 meeting were reviewed. The Treasurer's Report and bills since the last meeting were reviewed. **A motion was made by Director Stretars to approve the Agenda, Minutes, TR, and bills; motion second by Director Mulrooney; motion approved 4/0/2.**

Information /Action Items:

1. Sustainable Groundwater Management Act -
 - a. Cosumnes Basin update – CGA is moving forward with PMAs. There are a lot of decision to be made in the next 6 months to keep EKI moving forward. Lindsey Carter is working on gathering data for the areas not assessed within City of Galt boundaries and will present results to Galt staff. The next funding agreement will be in spring for CGA. There was discussion on monitoring ag land that has been taken out of grape Production, finding out if the land will go back into ag production and fallowing that land which can be a credit for SGMA. This is a positive for the overall basin level as fallowing can help save water plus increased rainfall the last 2 years. An update of the South American Subbasin was given. SHRCD was removed from this subbasin and the County will take over representation for the small amount of land in SHRCD.
2. DWR Stream Gage grant update – OHWD has gages working and calibrating flows currently. CGA is finalizing the 7th gage site in Amador County. Environmental work is progressing.
3. Possible Dry Creek recharge – Mike Wackman and Daniel DeGraff(North SJ Water Conservation District) toured a parcel on Borden Road across Dry Creek with an existing pump with power. The parcel is owned by Kautz and is in Sacramento County. Ways to determine recharge area, water supply, etc were discussed.
4. Other – Nothing to report.
5. Director Comments – Nothing to report.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:20 a.m.

Leo VanWarmerdam, Chairman _____