

Southeast Sacramento County Agricultural Water Authority
Board Meeting Minutes
July 8, 2025

Opening:

1. The SSCAWA meeting was called to order by Chairman VanWarmerdam at 9:35 a.m. at the Herald Firehouse, Herald, California.
2. Members present were Leo VanWarmerdam, John Mulrooney, Pat Kirby, Paul Hensleigh and Ken Mitchell. Also present were Mike Wackman, Wendy Sparrowk, Cameron Crouch, Teresa Flewellyn, Lindsey Liebig-Carter, Tish Espinosa, Dane Wadle' and Chris Timmer.
3. Public Comment – Dane Wadle', CSDA coordinator, reviewed the role of CSDA for special districts such as lobbyists, partnerships and SDRMA memberships.

Consent Items:

1. The agenda for the meeting was reviewed. The minutes for the 4/8/2025 meeting were reviewed. The Treasurer's Report and bills since the last meeting were reviewed. The member installments since the start of the Authority were reviewed. **A motion was made by Director Mulrooney to approve the Agenda, Minutes, TR, and bills; motion second by Director Kirby; motion approved 5/0/1.**

Information /Action Items:

1. Sustainable Groundwater Management Act -
 - a. Cosumnes Basin update – The next CGA meeting will be held in August. The Executive Director position will be determined soon. The history of staffing CGA was reviewed with SSCAWA and SHRCD providing staffing until current and the new Executive Director will take over. Lindsey Liebig-Carter reviewed the 2027 annual report and 2035 major report and the actions needed for each report. . Budget, member contributions, plan actions, projects and research were discussed.
2. DWR Stream Gage grant update – SHRCD has RFDs out for bid. Field work is expected in August through October. OHWD is installing gages currently. The flow of the Cosumnes River and ideas for recharge along the river were discussed.
3. Possible Dry Creek recharge – Mike Wackman has been in contact with North San Joaquin Water Conservation District and Amador County about a recharge project along Dry Creek. This would be a partnership agreement benefitting all members that may involve flood water leaving the Mokelumne watershed, traveling through Amador County with Dry Creek as the destination for recharge.
4. Clay Water District withdrawal – The Directors reviewed the Joint Exercises of Power agreement, section 9.3 detailing withdrawal of any member. Clay Water District is no longer a member. The Bylaws for SSCAWA need to be changed with the absence of Clay Water District in membership. OHWD and GID will remain with 3 representatives each for a quorum of 4/6 members present for meetings.
5. Director Comments – The Directors discussed using the spill water from the fish farm along Alta Mesa Road for a recharge project.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:22 a.m.

Leo VanWarmerdam, Chairman _____