

Southeast Sacramento County Agricultural Water Authority
Regular Board Meeting Minutes
April 13, 2021

Opening:

1. The SSCAWA meeting was called to order by Chairman VanWarmerdam at 9:33 am at the Sacramento Farm Bureau office and via teleconference set up by a Zoom call.
2. Members present were Mark Stretars, Ken Mitchell, Paul Hensleigh, Leo VanWarmerdam, John Mulrooney, Tony Merola(alt), Gary Silva Jr. and Rick Whole. Also present were Mike Wackman, Herb Garms, Austin Miller, Stephen Julian, Melinda Frost, Linda Dorn, and Wendy Sparrowk.
3. Public Comment – Nothing to report.

Consent Items:

1. The agenda for the meeting was reviewed. The minutes for the 1/12/21 meeting were reviewed. The Treasurer's Report and bills since the last meeting were reviewed. **A motion was made by Director Mulrooney to approve the Agenda, Minutes, TR and bills; motion second by Director Merola; motion approved 8/0/1.**

Information /Action Items:

1. Sustainable Groundwater Management Act –
 - a. Cosumnes Basin update –
 1. Long Term Governance for the Cosumnes Basin – There will likely be a 7 member governance group (1 member per GSA).
 2. Groundwater Management fees – Fees were discussed. No action taken.
2. SSCAWA Outreach and Engagement Plan – Discussed how the Authority will work in the future for outreach and engagement plans. Discussed the option of expanding (reorganizing) the Authority. The Authority was originally formed to develop an AB3030 GWM plan. To be discussed further at next meeting.
3. Department of Conservation Grant Application –
 - a. Contract with Dept of Conservation – Mike Wackman is waiting for the contract to be finalized for the watershed coordinator grant.
 - b. Selection of company to implement Watershed Coordinator grant – Wackman Consulting was the only company to respond to the RFQ. WC will hire Stephen Julian as the coordinator. Discussion of checks and balances of the grant funds.
 1. Authorization of Chairman to contract with chosen company – **Motion was made by Director Stretars to authorize the contract with Wackman Consulting to implement the Department of Conservation grant; motion second by Director Mulrooney; motion approved 8/0/1.**

4. MOU(Cost Share)with OHWD and SSCAWA for SAFCA additional Watershed Coordinator Funding-

SAFCA will help fund water projects within the basin and will help supplement additional work within the basin with the conservation grant. The MOU states OHWD will commit \$25,000/year/3 years SAFCA funds to help fund the watershed coordinator position for GSPlan tasks. **Motion was made by Director Wohle to adopt the Cost Sharing Agreement between OHWD and SSCAWA for cooperation on Cosumnes Basin Watershed and GWM coordination in South Sacramento County; motion second by Director Mulrooney; motion approved 8/0/1.**

5. Cosumnes Basin Monitoring – SSCAWA will contract to get wells monitored in May and October and will cost share the monitoring costs with the GSA’s in the basin. **Motion was made by Director Stretars to approve Resolution 2020/21-01 to enter into contract with MLJ Environmental for GW monitoring service; motion second by Director Hensleigh; motion approved 8/0/1.**

6. Director Comments – Nothing to report.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:03 am.

Leo VanWarmerdam, Chairman