

MINUTES OF THE YUCAIPA SUSTAINABLE GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT AGENCY

**Board Meeting
October 28, 2020 - 10:00 a.m.**

Online Teleconference Meeting

I. Call to Order - Chairman Mark Iverson called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

II. Roll Call - The following representatives, as assigned by each Party, attended the meeting:

Purveyors	Present	Primary Representative	Present	Alternative Representative
South Mesa Water Company	✓	David Armstrong	✓	George Jorritsma
South Mountain Water Company	_____	Bob Martin	_____	Rolland Moore
Western Heights Water Company	✓	Mark Iverson	_____	Tim Green
Yucaipa Valley Water District	✓	Joseph Zoba	✓	Jennifer Ares
Municipals				
City of Redlands	✓	Cecilia Griego	_____	Kevin Watson
City of Yucaipa	_____	Ray Casey	✓	Fermin Preciado
Regionals				
San Bernardino Valley MWD	✓	Bob Tincher	✓	Matt Howard
San Gorgonio Pass Water Agency	✓	Lance Eckhart	✓	Leonard Stephenson
Stakeholders				
County of Riverside	_____	Steve Horn	_____	Jeff Johnson
County of San Bernardino	_____	Bob Page	_____	
City of Calimesa	_____	Bonnie Johnson	_____	

A quorum of the Board of Directors was present to start the meeting.

In addition to the Board of Directors identified above, the following members of the public were registered as attending the meeting:

- Lonni Granlund - Yucaipa Valley Water District
- Derek Hoffman, Gresham Savage / South Mesa Water Company
- Mike Podegraz - Charles Abbot Associates / City of Yucaipa
- Steve Stuart - Dudek

III. Public Comments – None.

IV. Review and Approval of Minutes

A. August 26, 2020 - Workshop

Bob Tincher moved to approve the minutes for August 26, 2020.

Dave Armstrong seconded the motion.

South Mesa Water Company	Yes
South Mountain Water Company	Absent
Western Heights Water Company	Yes
Yucaipa Valley Water District	Yes
City of Redlands	Abstain
City of Yucaipa	Yes
San Bernardino Valley MWD	Yes
San Gorgonio Pass Water Agency	Abstain

V. Discussion Items

A. COVID-19 Update

Matt Howard provided information about the current status of COVID-19 and the need to continue to conduct online meetings until further notice.

B. Consider Proposed Management Areas – Western Heights, North Bench, Calimesa, and San Timoteo Management Areas

Steve Stuart discussed the use of management areas to enhance the management of the Yucaipa Basin. Since the Yucaipa Basin contains fractures and fault structures the use of management areas would be appropriate for this basin.

The proposed management areas consist of: Western Heights Management Area; North Bench Management Area; Calimesa Management Area; and San Timoteo Management Area.

C. Update on the Sustainability Criteria - Western Heights, North Bench, Calimesa, and San Timoteo Management Areas

Steve Stuart discussed the application of the proposed sustainability criteria on the four proposed management areas in the Yucaipa Basin. Information was provided that shows how the sustainability criteria can be applied to each management area.

D. Update on Potential Projects within the Yucaipa Basin Area

Steve Stuart discussed the proposed projects for the Yucaipa Basin that currently include: Chapman Heights Basins; Dunlap Channel; Salinity and Groundwater Enhancement (SAGE) Project; Tennessee Street Basins; Wildwood Creek at California Street; Wildwood Creek Basins; and Wilson Creek III.

Matt Howard stated that project evaluation forms will be distributed to the Yucaipa SGMA members by mid-November so each agency can add projects to be included into the Groundwater Sustainability Plan.

E. Status Report on the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act Grant and Financial Status

Steve Stuart stated that the Department of Water Resources released the templates for the Proposition 68 SGMA Implementation Grants on October 27, 2020.

Matt Howard reported that the planning activities are 97% complete and Groundwater Sustainability Plan activities are 60% complete.

F. Discussion Regarding the Scheduling of the First Public Meeting

The first public meeting is planned to be conducted on January 28, 2021 as an online Zoom meeting.

VI. Topics for Future Meetings - Suggested meeting dates are provided below and will be adjusted based on the progress of each topic.

- Discussion regarding groundwater dependent ecosystems
- Discussion regarding potential projects to be included in the groundwater model and the Groundwater Sustainability Plan
- Discussion regarding the refinement of basin management areas
- Discussion regarding the development of sustainability criteria

VII. Comments by the Board of Directors - None

VIII. Announcements

The next scheduled meeting for the Yucaipa Sustainable Groundwater Management Agency will be a board meeting on Wednesday, January 27, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.

The Yucaipa Sustainable Groundwater Management Agency will be conducting a public meeting on Thursday, January 28, 2021.

IX. Adjournment - The meeting was adjourned at 11:40 a.m.