

**THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
NORTH KINGS GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY
JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES FOR NOVEMBER 15, 2018, at 6:00 P.M.**

DIRECTORS PRESENT

Fresno Irrigation District – Chairman Jerry Prieto, Jr.
City of Kerman – Director Rhonda Armstrong
Bakman Water Company – Alternate Director Shay Bakman
Garfield Water District – Director Karl Kienow
City of Fresno – Alternate Director Michael Carbajal
City of Clovis – Director Jose Flores
County of Fresno – Vice Chairman Brian Pacheco

MEMBER STAFF PRESENT

Executive Officer Gary R. Serrato – Fresno Irrigation District
Legal Counsel Kevin Dale
Advisory Committee Chairman Scott Redelfs – City of Clovis
Technical Subcommittee Chairman Adam Claes – Fresno Irrigation District
Fiscal Officer DeAnn Hailey – Fresno Irrigation District
Administrator Adam Claes – Fresno Irrigation District
Provost & Pritchard Consulting Group Representative Ron Samuelian

OTHERS PRESENT

None.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Prieto called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS FORMATION

Mr. Serrato stated he has sworn in Mayor Rhonda Armstrong from the City of Kerman to take Seat 3 on the Board.

Mr. Serrato announced that Steve Pickens will serve as Director and Shay Bakman will serve as Alternate Director for Seat 7 on the Board (representing Bakman Water Company). There were no comments from the Board.

M/S/C (Kienow/Flores) That the Board of Directors approved having Bakman Water Company as representative for Seat 7 on the NKGSA Board of Directors by the following vote. (Ayes – Bakman, Kienow, Armstrong, Prieto, Jr., Carbajal, Flores, Pacheco; Nays – 0; Absent – 0; Abstain – 0)

REVIEW AGENDA

The agenda was approved as presented.

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REVIEW OF FUTURE MEETINGS

Mr. Serrato stated that Staff may recommend to cancel the December 27, 2018 Board of Director meeting.

M/S/C (Pacheco/Carbajal) That the Board of Directors approved cancelling the December Board meeting at the discretion of the Chairman by the following vote. (Ayes – Bakman, Kienow, Armstrong, Prieto, Jr., Carbajal, Flores, Pacheco; Nays – 0; Absent – 0; Abstain – 0)

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS (for items not on agenda) – 3 Minutes Maximum Per Person, 10 Minutes Maximum Per Subject

None.

POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Any Board Member who has a potential conflict of interest may now identify the item and recuse themselves from discussing and voting on the matter. [FPPC §87105]

None stated.

1. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

a. Approval of Regular Board Meeting Minutes – September 27, 2018 – Action Item

Correction to agenda item 1 a. and 1 b. should reflect Alternate Director Shay Bakman was seated at the Board and not Steve Pickens.

M/S/C (Kienow/Hernandez) That the Board of Directors approved the minutes from the October 25, 2018, meeting with the noted revision to item 1 a. and 1 b. by the following vote. (Ayes – Bakman, Kienow, Prieto, Jr., Carbajal, Flores, Pacheco; Nays – 0; Absent – 0; Abstain – Armstrong)

b. Water Conditions Update

Mr. Claes provided the Board with an updated water/snow conditions report for both the San Joaquin River (Millerton Lake) and Kings River (Pine Flat Reservoir). Storage for Millerton Lake and Pine Flat remain steady.

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c. North Kings GSA Timeline and Milestones Update

Mr. Claes stated the Technical Subcommittee is working towards a February 2019 completion of the draft GSP with a deadline of January 31, 2020, for the entire Kings Subbasin to submit the GSP and coordination agreement.

d. Kings Subbasin Coordination Update

Mr. Claes updated the Board on the following subbasin items:

- Draft Coordination Agreement framework (subcommittee currently working on it)
- Grant Agreement with DWR fully executed
- DWR Technical Support Services application awaiting approval
 - Plan to pursue monitor well construction
- Coordinated Tasks continue
 - Confined Aquifer Flows estimation
 - Data Management System
 - Coordinated Water Budget
 - Sustainable Management Criteria
- GW Mitigation Responsibility Numbers gone to all GSA Boards

<u>GSA</u>	<u>Proposed Initial Responsibility (acre-feet)</u>
Central/South	-7,100
James	16,700
Kings River East	-11,000
McMullin	-91,100
North Fork	-50,300
North Kings	20,800

Mr. Serrato stated the coordination group expanded the calculation of years to form the mitigation responsibility numbers – currently at -122,000 acre-feet for the entire Kings Subbasin. During the last meeting all parties agreed on the proposed initial responsibility numbers for the seven GSAs. There is some point of contention between James and McMullin on how the numbers were calculated for the two GSAs. Adjustments on these numbers may occur in the future.

e. Advisory Committee Update

An Advisory Committee meeting for November was held with brief updates from the subcommittees.

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i. Technical Subcommittee Update

Mr. Claes reviewed the progress taking place in developing the groundwater sustainability plan (GSP) chapters. The subcommittee is also working on:

- Water budget
- Evaluating groundwater conditions north and east of FID
- Evaluating de Minimis pumping regulations
- Sub-Area development
- Basin boundary modification (east side)
- Sustainable management criteria

ii. Administrative/Fiscal Subcommittee Update

The subcommittee is developing concepts for funding NKGSA post January 2020.

iii. Membership/Outreach/Communications Subcommittee Update

Outreach event (workshop) in December for County White Area north and east of FID is being planned. Postcards will be mailed to landowners within the area.

2. LEGAL MATTERS

No items for discussion.

3. FINANCIAL MATTERS

No items for discussion.

4. EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORT

a. Executive Officer Replacement - Update

This item will be discussed during Closed Session.

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5. DIRECTORS REPORT

Alternate Director Bakman – none.

Director Kienow – none.

Director Armstrong – none.

Director Prieto – none.

Alternate Director Carbajal – none.

Director Flores – none.

Director Pacheco – none.

Open Session was adjourned at 6:25 p.m. with the Board of Directors, the Executive Officer, and some management Staff going into Closed Session at 6:28 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION

Public Employee Appointment – Government Code 54957
Title: Executive Officer (Discussion Only)

Conference with Labor Negotiators – Government Code 54957.6
Agency designated representative: Board Chairman
Unrepresented employee: Future Executive Officer

6. REPORT ON ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

Chairman Prieto adjourned Closed Session at 7:23 p.m. and stated there was nothing to report from Closed Session.

7. ADJOURNMENT

With no further discussion or action, Chairman Prieto adjourned the meeting at 7:23 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by,



Gary R. Serrato, Executive Officer-Secretary/Treasurer