

North Kings Groundwater Sustainability Agency JPA

Special Board Meeting
November 19, 2020



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Call to Order

1. Pledge of Allegiance

- ▶ Special Teleconference Instructions
- ▶ Roll Call



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Your item will be read onto the record during the public comment portion when the item is heard. Any portion of your comment extending past three (3) minutes may not be read aloud due to time restrictions but will be made part of the record of proceedings.

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You will be asked to provide a phone number to call you during the meeting. You will also be asked for your name so that you can be called when it is your turn to speak.

You will be called during the comment section for the agenda item on which you will speak.

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Your comment period will be limited to three (3) minutes.

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2. Review Agenda
3. Review of Future Meetings
 - ▶ December 17, 2020 - SPECIAL
4. Public Presentations



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4. Public Presentation



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5. Potential Conflicts of Interest



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6. Administrative Matters:

- a. Discussion/Possible Action on Board Meeting Minutes – October 22, 2020
- b. Board of Directors Update – Shared Seat No. 3
- c. Discussion/Possible Action on Seating of Board Seat No. 7 – At Large



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6. Administrative Matters

- d. Kings Subbasin Update (Samuelian)



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6.d. Kings Subbasin Update

- ▶ Preparing SGMA Implementation Grant Rd 1
 - ▶ One 1 application per Basin, max request \$5M
 - ▶ Project requests from 5 of 7 GSAs, emphasis on DAC benefit
 - ▶ 2 projects in North Kings
- ▶ Fall data collection wrapping up
- ▶ Spring 2020 Contours and Storage Change calculations
- ▶ GSAs video'ing wells and constructing new monitor wells w/DWR grant
- ▶ GSAs continuing to prepare rules/regulations
- ▶ Discussing coordinated Basin outreach efforts

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 - e. Water Conditions Update (Claes)

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6.e. Water Conditions Update

Kings River:

- Pine Flat Storage: 206,000 AF (57% of normal for date)
- No FID entitlements Oct-Nov

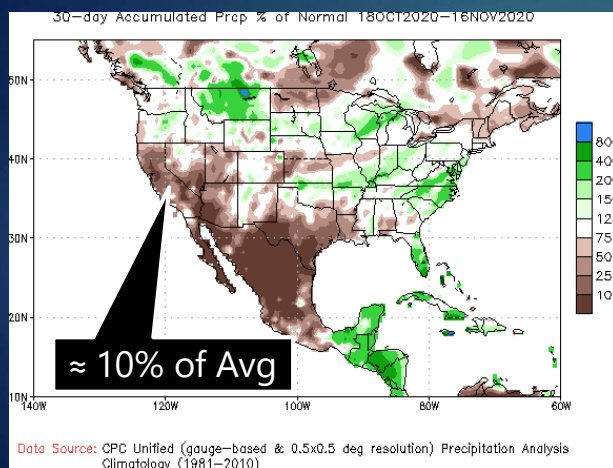
San Joaquin River / Friant CVP:

- Millerton Storage: 176,000 AF (85% of normal for date)
- Creek Fire: 380k acres, 35% of San Joaquin watershed, likely affect water quality, runoff.
- 11/14 – Bare earth ASO survey (CalOES & FEMA funding)

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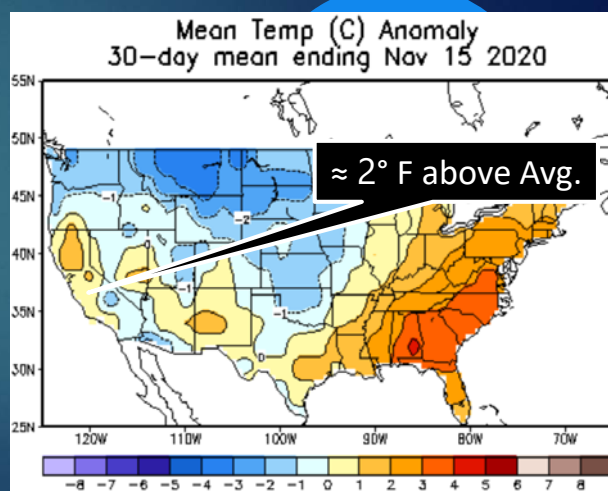
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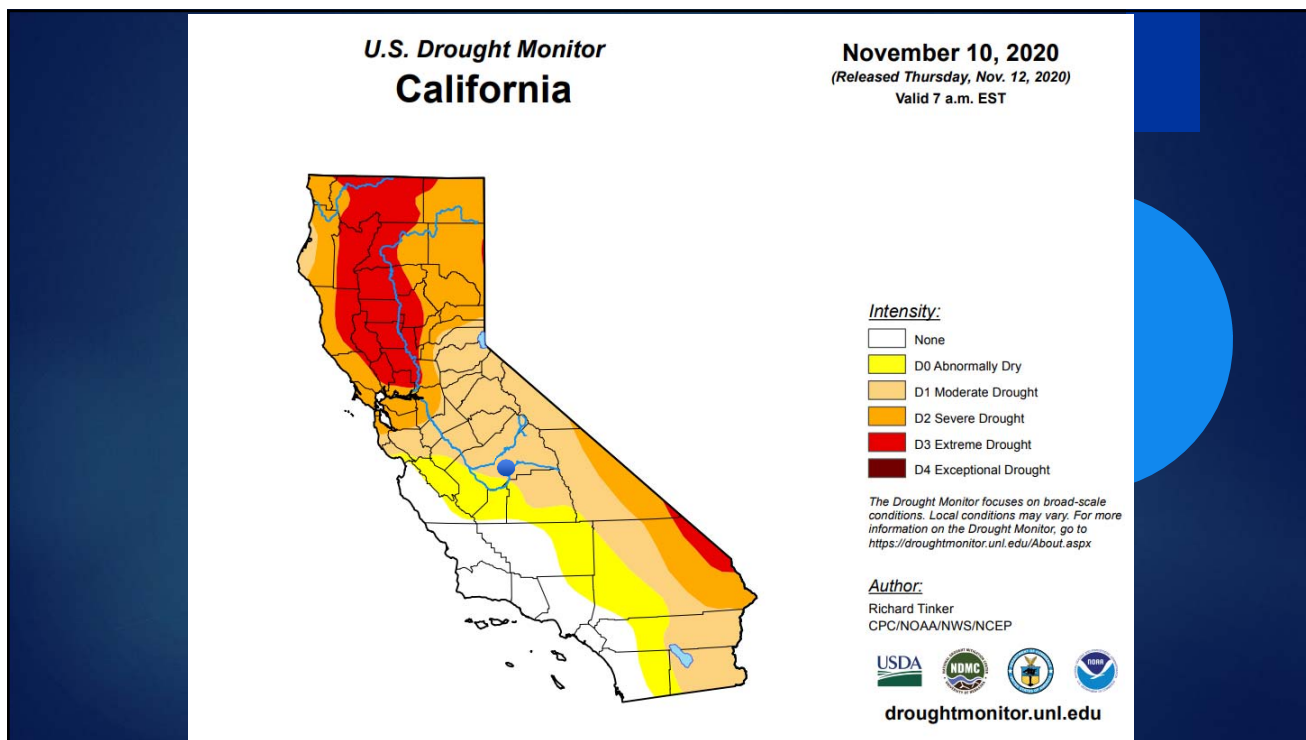


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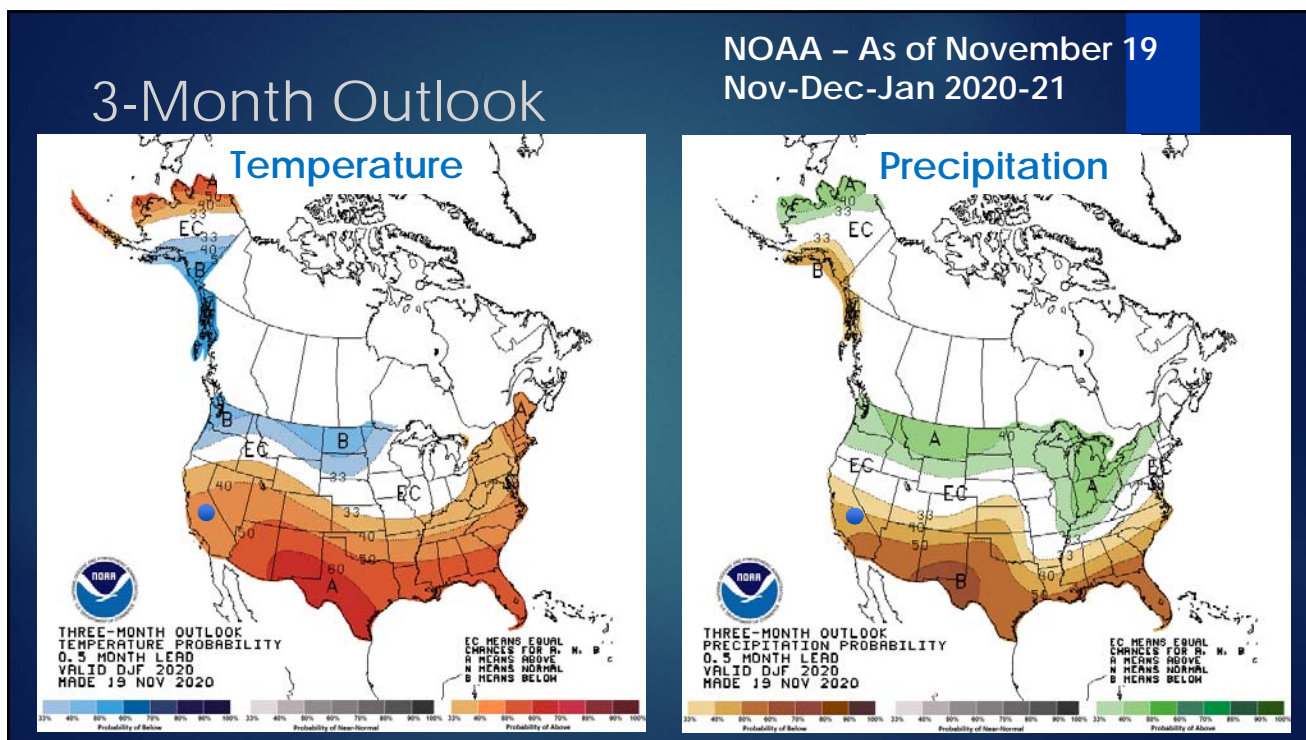
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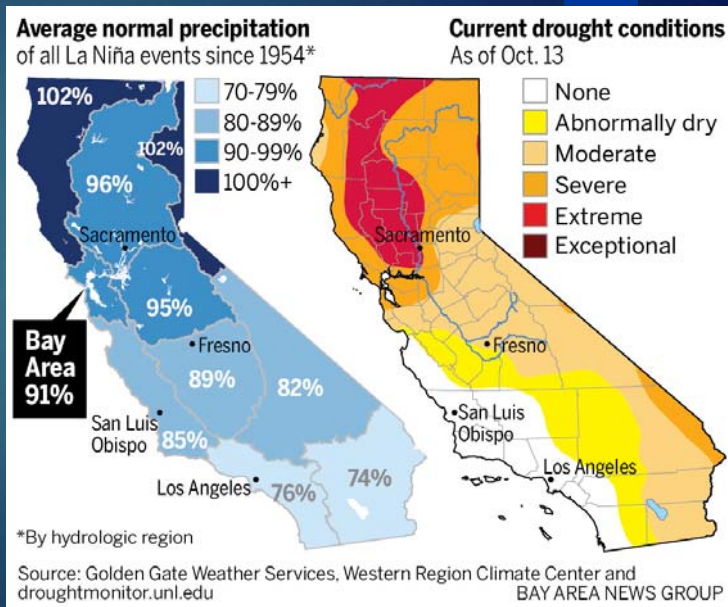


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La Nina - Strengthening

DWR State Climatologist
Michael Anderson:

*85% of avg precipitation
next year*



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- 6. Administrative Matters
 - f. Advisory Committee Update (Redelfs)
 - g. Discussion/Possible Action on Approval of 2021 Meeting Dates of the NKGSA Board of Directors



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6. g. 2021 NKGSA Board Meeting Dates

- ▶ Current Frequency: 4th Thursday of Every Month at 6:00 p.m.
- ▶ Recommendation:
 - ▶ For the NKGSA Board of Directors to continue meeting monthly on the fourth Thursday of every month at 6:00 pm. in 2021.

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6.g. 2021 Meeting Dates

- ▶ Monthly – 4th Thursday of Every Month 6:00 p.m.

Date	Event
January 28, 2021	Board of Directors Regular Meeting
February 25, 2021	Board of Directors Regular Meeting
March 25, 2021	Board of Directors Regular Meeting
April 22, 2021	Board of Directors Regular Meeting
May 27, 2021	Board of Directors Regular Meeting
June 24, 2021	Board of Directors Regular Meeting
July 22, 2021	Board of Directors Regular Meeting
August 26, 2021	Board of Directors Regular Meeting
September 23, 2021	Board of Directors Regular Meeting
October 28, 2021	Board of Directors Regular Meeting
November 18, 2021 - Tentative	Board of Directors Special Meeting
November 25, 2021* Thanksgiving Day	Board of Directors Regular Meeting
December 16, 2021 - Tentative	Board of Directors Special Meeting
December 23, 2021*	Board of Directors Regular Meeting

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6. Administrative Matters

- h. Discussion/Possible Action on Adoption of New Well Review Policy (NKGSA 2020-003)



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6.h. New Well Review Policy

▶ Purpose: Three Parts:

1. Provide up to 5 business days for review and comment on all well permitting activities for wells within NKGSA boundary.
 - ▶ Allows for comment on UR new well may cause.
 - ▶ Correspondence with Well Owner/Driller.
2. Allows NKGSA to gather data about wells being constructed and to register the new wells so the NKGSA can best reach sustainability.
3. Establishes the framework for potential new requirements for any new well construction approved in the NKGSA boundary.

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6.h. Policy Workgroup

- ▶ Concerns Identified and Mitigation:
 - ▶ Health and Safety Concerns – Replacement Wells
 - ▶ Up to Five Days – Expedited When H&S Concern Indicated by County.
 - ▶ Nature of Comments
 - ▶ GSP Allows for implementing management actions.
 - ▶ Covered Under Future Policies/Rules, if needed.
 - ▶ Stress on County Resources – Additional Review Time
 - ▶ Driller Meetings To Manage Expectations
 - ▶ NKGSA To Field Questions on Review

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6.h. Policy Workgroup - Members

Name	Agency/Interest Group
Glenn Allen	Fresno County
Paul Armendariz	City of Clovis
Adam Claes	FID
Tom Krazan	Kings River Drilling
Lindsay Cedarquist	Maricopa Orchards
David Cehrs	Hydrologist/Resident
Sayre Miller	Grower/Resident
Sue Ruiz	Self Help Enterprises/ Private Well Owner
Ronnie Samuelian	Provost & Pritchard
Lisa Koehn	Retired Clovis - Resident
Nicholas Torstensen	City of Clovis



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6.h. Policy Workgroup

▶ Recommendation:

- ▶ For the NKGSA Board of Directors to adopt the New Well Review Policy, NKGSA 2020-003.
- ▶ Effective Date: January 1, 2021

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- i. Workgroup Updates
 - i. Policy Workgroup (Chauhan)



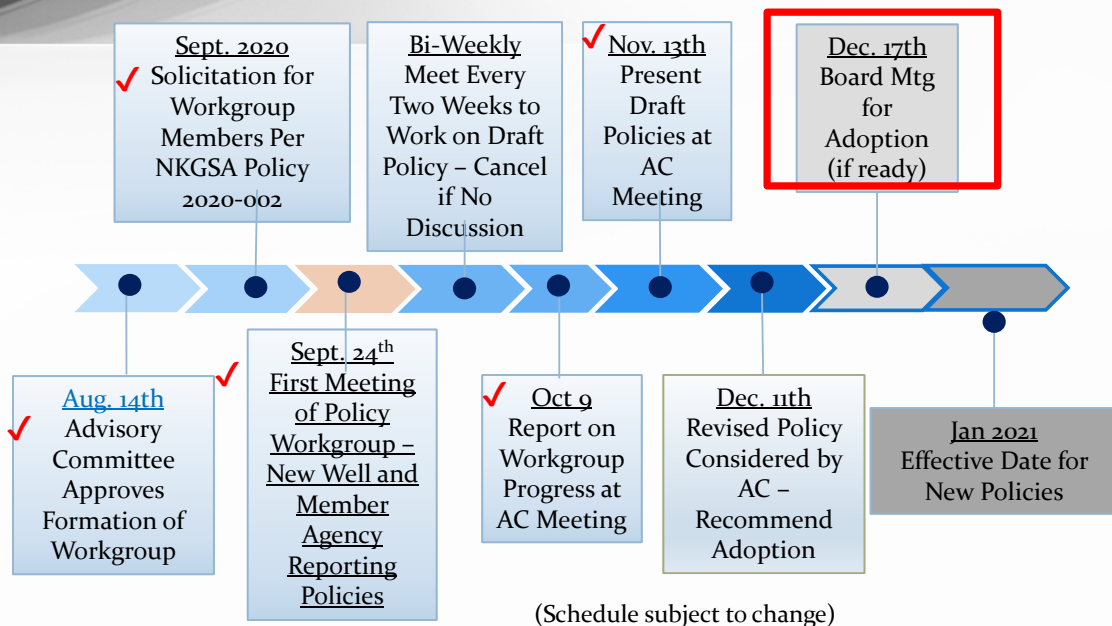
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6.i.i Policy Workgroup Update

- ▶ New Well Review Policy
- ▶ Member Agency Reporting Policy
 - ▶ Draft Policy Being Developed
 - ▶ Routing to Workgroup for Input
 - ▶ Discuss with Member Agencies
 - ▶ Considered by AC in December 2020

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Policy Workgroup - Timeline



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6.i.ii. Member Agency Cost-Share Workgroup - Koehn

- ▶ Two Meetings – October 2020
 - ▶ Findings
 - ▶ Current Cost-Share Agreement is Equitable
 - ▶ \$2.18 per acre
 - ▶ No Change Recommended
 - ▶ Modify Fiscal Agent Procedures
 - ▶ Financial Documents Presented to AC Prior to NKGSA BOD Meetings

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6.i.ii. Cost-Share Agreement Workgroup - Members



Name	Agency/Interest Group
Lisa Koehn	Retired Clovis – Resident – Workgroup Lead
Paul Armendariz	City of Clovis
Scott Redelfs	City of Clovis
Adam Claes	FID
Brock Buche	City of Fresno
Nick Keller	Garfield Water District
Glenn Allen	Fresno County
Richard Coon	Bakman Water Company
Ronnie Samuelian	Provost & Pritchard
Mike Prandini	BIA – Former Committee Member

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6.i.ii. Member Agency Cost-Share Workgroup

▶ Recommendation:

- ▶ For the NKGSA Board of Directors to keep the existing member agency cost-share agreement with revised percentages adopted June 27, 2019, in place.
 - ▶ NO ACTION

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7. Financial Agent Report(Hailey)

- ▶ No Financial Statements – November 2020
 - ▶ Through October 31, 2020 in December Meetings
 - ▶ Revised Procedures Implemented
- ▶ Call for Funds
 - ▶ Refund Checks Issued – October 29, 2020
- ▶ Audited Financial Statements
 - ▶ Posted to NKGSA Website



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8. a. EO Update – Funding Opportunities

- ▶ DWR Prop 68: SGM Grant Program Implementation – Round 1
 - ▶ Considering:
 - ▶ FID's Savory Pond Expansion Project
 - ▶ City of Kerman – Recharge Project
 - ▶ \$26 M Available
 - ▶ Scoring Criteria
 - ▶ Human Right to Water
 - ▶ Benefits to DACs and URCs

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8.b. EO Update – Member Agency Overdraft Responsibility Update

- ▶ Member Agencies Responsible for % of Overdraft
- ▶ Simplified Procedure Being Considered
 - ▶ Percent of Recharge Per AF Pumped
 - ▶ Associated Reporting
- ▶ Individual Meetings Scheduled Through November 2020
- ▶ Large Group Meeting – January/February
- ▶ Mitigation Responsibility Policy

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8.c. EO Update – External Affairs Update

- ▶ KRCO – Kings Subbasin Outreach Campaigns
 - ▶ 5 of 7 GSAs Cost-Sharing
 - ▶ Private Domestic Well Owners
 - ▶ Schools
- ▶ SHE Outreach Discussions
 - ▶ Domestic Well Owners
- ▶ Social Media
- ▶ Blog Posts – E-News
- ▶ Website Updates



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8.d. Representative Monitoring Network

- ▶ Fall Measurements Completed
 - ▶ Well Tag Left with Measurement
 - ▶ Includes DWR Monitoring Wells – 5
 - ▶ All Except FID-15 Monitored
- ▶ Water Level Monitoring Network
 - ▶ FID – Entering Into Agreements with Well Owners for Access and Video Inspection – Two Executed Agreement
 - ▶ Inoperable Wells
 - ▶ Downhole Video Inspections
 - ▶ Scheduled for Nov. 2020
- ▶ Water Quality Monitoring Network
 - ▶ One Well - No Construction Information
 - ▶ Alternate Monitoring Well?
 - ▶ WQ Monitoring By Others – Public Data



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8.e. EO Update – Miscellaneous

▶ Other Items

- ▶ Comment Letters – GSA Policies
- ▶ WELL Conference – Nov. 13, 2020
- ▶ Biola CSD Basin Project Update
- ▶ AEM Survey By Stanford
- ▶ DWR Technical Advisory Committee – Revise Bulletin 74 – California Well Standards



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9. Directors Reports
10. Adjournment



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Thank you for joining us for the NKGSA
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