North Kings Groundwater Sustainability Agency JPA

Regular Board Meeting
June 23, 2022

NORTH KINGS GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY

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Call to Order

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
   - Special Teleconference Instructions
   - Roll Call

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SPECIAL NOTICE REGARDING PUBLIC PARTICIPATION DUE TO COVID-19

Given the meeting restrictions created to limit the spread of the COVID-19 virus, the NKGSA has transitioned to offering teleconference participation in NKGSA Board meetings only, until notified otherwise.

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Written and Verbal Comments

Members of the public are encouraged to participate in the Board Meeting and will have an opportunity to provide public comments during the meeting under Agenda Item No. 7 and following each agenda item discussion. No prior arrangements are required to be able to make public comment but comments are limited to three (3) minutes.

Written Comments can also be provided up to one hour prior to the scheduled meeting. Written comments received in advance of the meeting 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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3. NKGSA Resolution 2022-11

a. In accordance with AB361, the Board will consider adoption of NKGSA Resolution 2022-11: Resolution of the NKGSA Board of Directors – Resolution Continuing the North Kings GSA Board Authority to hold virtual meetings pursuant to AB 361.

RECOMMENDATION:

- For the NKGSA Board of Directors to approve Resolution No. 2022-11 and continue to have the option to hold virtual meetings due to the current state of emergency related to Covid-19.

SPECIAL NOTES:

- Requires Renewal Every 30 Days

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4. Review Agenda
   - The closed session item CONFERENCE WITH EGAL COUNSEL – PROPOSED LITIGATION will be pulled.
5. Review of Future Meetings
   - Special Meeting Date Possible: July 6, 2022 – GSP Adoption
6. Public Presentations

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7. Potential Conflicts of Interest

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8. Administrative Matters:

   a. Discussion/Possible Action on Board Meeting Minutes – May 26, 2022

   b. Kings Subbasin Coordination Update (Samuelian)

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Kings Basin Update

- Grants:
  - $4.8M DWR SGMA Implementation Grant Rd 1 Projects Underway (FID and Kerman in North Kings)
  - $7.6M DWR SGMA Implementation Grant Rd 2 – Awarded. Final contract in process.
  - DWR Planning Grant - Well construction information on RMWs and new Monitor Wells
- DWR Technical Support Services
  - Construction of a Monitor Well for each GSA
  - North Fork Kings well completed, others still in process
- Outreach Planned for Annual Report and Grant
- Spring 2022 Water Level Data – Awaiting data from neighboring basins

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8. Administrative Matters
   c. Water Conditions Update

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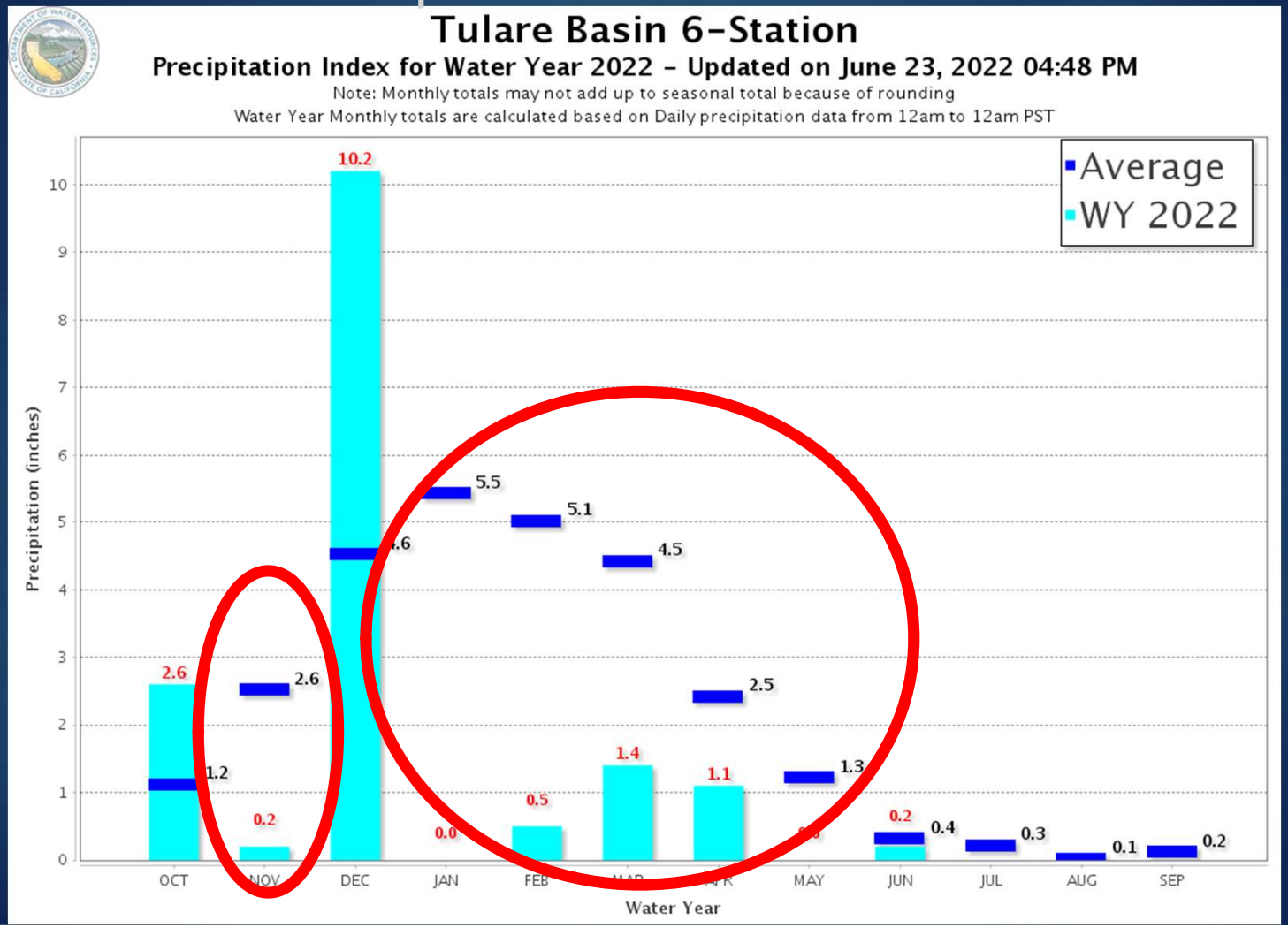
Water Conditions Update

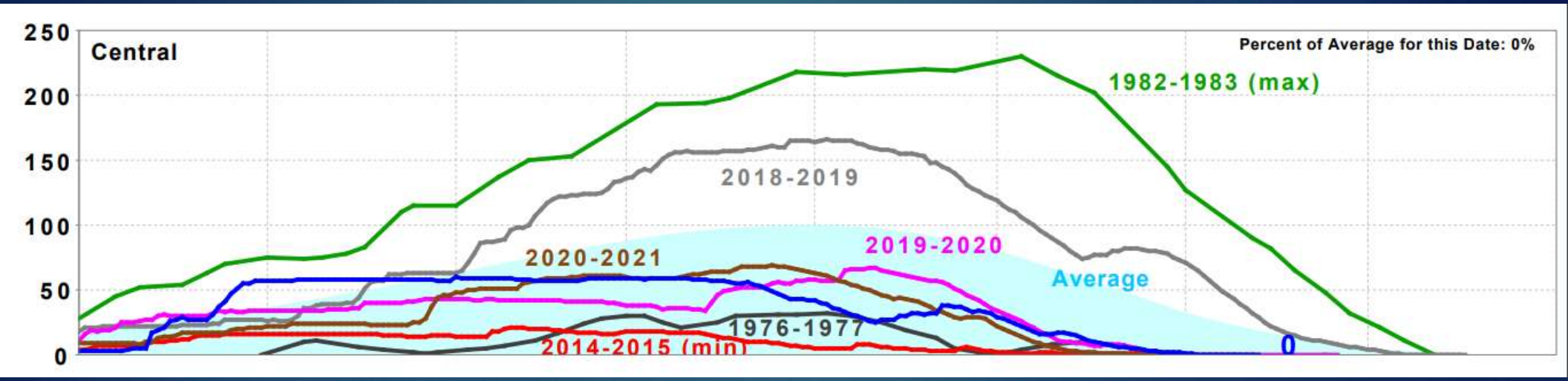
- Pine Flat (Kings River): 549k AF storage
  - 81% of today's historic avg
- Millerton Lake (San Joaquin River): 357k AF
  - 84% of today's historic avg
- CVP: Class 1 initial allocation: 15%
    - Despite call by Exchange Contractors, may increase
- CVP North and South of Delta: 0%
- State Water Project: 5%

Current Precipitation Conditions



Current Snow Conditions

Kings Runoff: Tracking 2021 but shifted 15 days out



Water Conditions Update

- Summary
  - 2022 Kings runoff to be around 38% of avg
  - FID started 2-month irrigation season (June-July)

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8. Administrative Matters

d. Advisory Committee Update (Redelfs)

Recommended Actions:

- Approval of the Expenses (April 2022)
- Approval of the Financial Statements as of April 30, 2022
- Recommend Adoption of the NKGSA GSP Including Revisions to Address DWR Deficiencies Noted.

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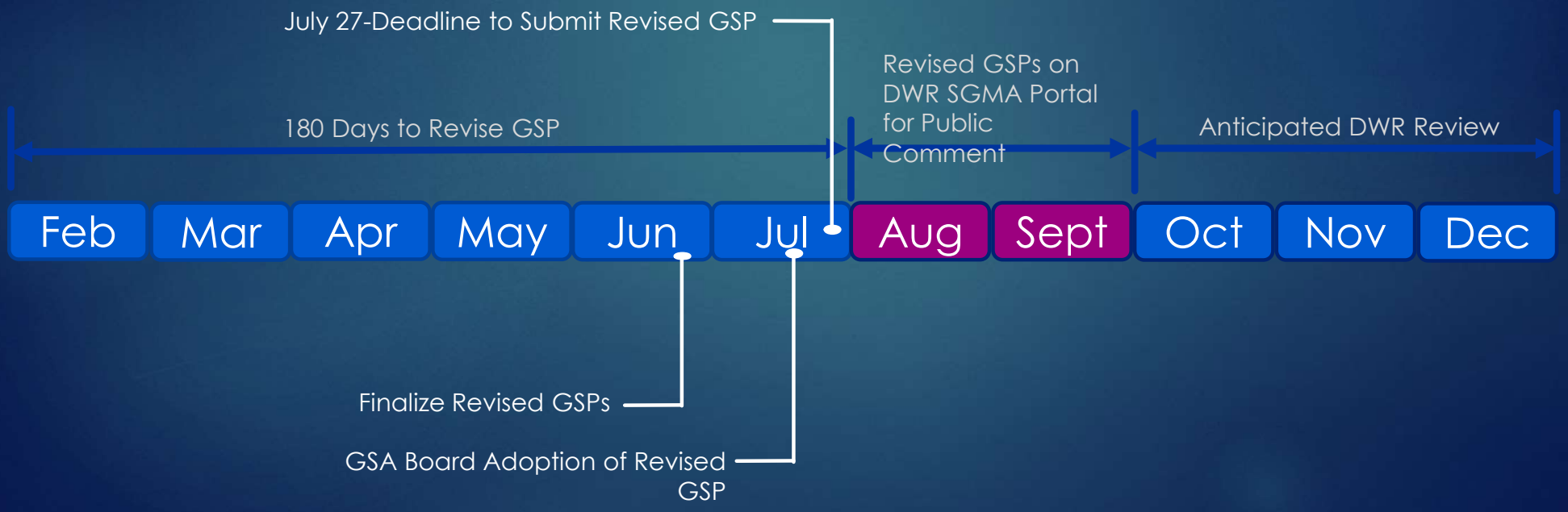
8. Administrative Matters
   e. Discussion/Possible Action – Consider Adoption of the NKGSA GSP Including Revisions

GSP Revisions

- GSAs to re-adopt plans
- DWR Public Comment Period after submittal



GSP Revisions

- All comments tied to Sustainable Management Criteria (SMCs)
- Need for language/approach consistency in all GSP updates
- Representatives from each GSA meeting regularly since Feb
  - Met multiple times with DWR staff to review
  - Coordination group developed draft language/changes
- Draft GSP revision language send to GSAs for review/input
  - Kings Technical Committee met multiple times
  - Draft language provided for review/comment
  - Recommended changes from Tech Workgroup addressed

GSP Revisions

- Water Level
  - Focused on User/Uses Impact
  - Identify water levels will continue to decline, which is acceptable to DWR
  - Addressing potential impacts – Shallow well mitigation program
- Land Subsidence
  - Focused on impacts to canals/rivers and loss of capacity
  - Recognize data gaps of understanding pumping in lower aquifer
  - Minimized/eliminate within our control
- Water Quality
  - Clarified MT for wells already over MCL will be 20% increase
- Interconnected Surface Water

GSP Revisions

- Recommendation:

For the Board to adopt the GSP with revisions addressing deficiencies noted by DWR.

8. Administrative

f. Governor's Executive Order N-7-22: Well Permitting Update

9. To protect health, safety, and the environment during this drought emergency, a county, city, or other public agency shall not:

   a. Approve a permit for a new groundwater well or for alteration of an existing well in a basin subject to the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act and classified as medium- or high-priority without first obtaining written verification from a Groundwater Sustainability Agency managing the basin or area of the basin where the well is proposed to be located that groundwater extraction by the proposed well would not be inconsistent with any sustainable groundwater management program established in any applicable Groundwater Sustainability Plan adopted by that Groundwater Sustainability Agency and would not decrease the likelihood of achieving a sustainability goal for the basin covered by such a plan; or

   b. Issue a permit for a new groundwater well or for alteration of an existing well without first determining that extraction of groundwater from the proposed well is (1) not likely to interfere with the production and functioning of existing nearby wells, and (2) not likely to cause subsidence that would adversely impact or damage nearby infrastructure.

   This paragraph shall not apply to permits for wells that will provide less than two acre-feet per year of groundwater for individual domestic users, or that will exclusively provide groundwater to public water supply systems as defined in section 116275 of the Health and Safety Code.

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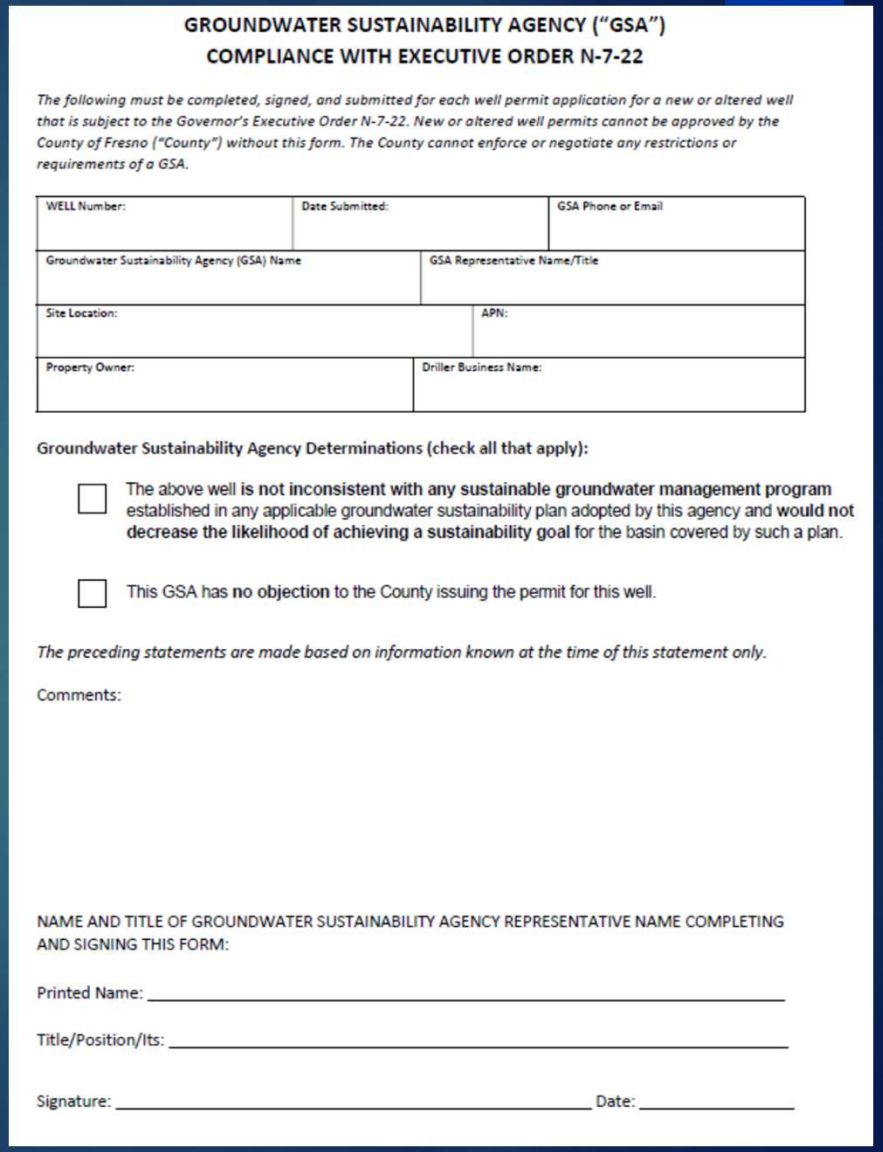
AB 2201 (BENNETT)



GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY ("GSA")
COMPLIANCE WITH EXECUTIVE ORDER N-7-22

The following must be completed, signed, and submitted for each well permit application for a new or altered well that is subject to the Governor's Executive Order N-7-22. New or altered well permits cannot be approved by the County of Fresno ("County") without this form. The County cannot enforce or negotiate any restrictions or requirements of a GSA.

WELL Number:	Date Submitted:	GSA Phone or Email
Groundwater Sustainability Agency (GSA) Name	GSA Representative Name/Title	
Site Location:	APN:	
Property Owner:	Driller Business Name:	

Groundwater Sustainability Agency Determinations (check all that apply):

☐ The above well **is not inconsistent with any sustainable groundwater management program** established in any applicable groundwater sustainability plan adopted by this agency and **would not decrease the likelihood of achieving a sustainability goal** for the basin covered by such a plan.

☐ This GSA has **no objection** to the County issuing the permit for this well.

The preceding statements are made based on information known at the time of this statement only.

Comments:

NAME AND TITLE OF GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY REPRESENTATIVE NAME COMPLETING AND SIGNING THIS FORM:

Printed Name: _____

Title/Position/Its: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

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f. Governor's Executive Order N-7-22: Well Permitting Update

All Well Permits Issued	Number
January	20
February	25
March	24
April	32
May	53
June To Date	19
TOTAL	**173**

8.g. Workgroup

i. **Technical Workgroup**

ii. **Policy Workgroup**

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9.a Financial Report: Expenses for April 2022

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05/16/22
Accrual Basis

North Kings Groundwater Sustainability Agency
Expense Report
April 2022

Type	Date	Num	Memo	Account	Amount
Atkinson, Andelson, Loya, Ruud & Romo					
Bill	04/01/2022	648687	March 2022 Legal	Legal	2,171.40
Total Atkinson, Andelson, Loya, Ruud & Romo					2,171.40
Constant Contact, Inc.					
Check	04/27/2022	EFT		Public Information	45.00
Total Constant Contact, Inc.					45.00
Fresno Irrigation District					
Bill	04/14/2022	6928	Mar 2022 Hours	Executive Officer	9,429.76
Bill	04/14/2022	6928	Mar 2022 Fiscal Agent Hours	Supporting Staff (FID)	415.84
Bill	04/14/2022	6928	Mar 2022 Recording Secty Hours	Supporting Staff (FID)	450.63
Bill	04/14/2022	6928	Mar 2022 Eng Asst Hours	Supporting Staff (FID)	12.42
Bill	04/14/2022	6928	Mar 2022 6% Admin Fee	Supporting Staff (FID)	618.52
Total Fresno Irrigation District					10,927.17
Provost & Pritchard Consulting Group					
Bill	04/30/2022	91940	Project 02643-21-003 Boundary Flows	Engineering Consultant	312.00
Bill	04/30/2022	91939	Project 02643-21-001	Engineering Consultant	11,466.60
Bill	04/30/2022	92029	Project 02643-22-001	Kings Basin Coordination	11,473.00
Total Provost & Pritchard Consulting Group					23,251.60
Reyna's Translation & Interpreting Svc					
Bill	04/29/2022	2022-01	Translation Services - Grower Flyer	Public Information	285.00
Total Reyna's Translation & Interpreting Svc					285.00
TOTAL					**36,680.17**

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9. b.

Financial Report: Financial Statements

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05/16/22
Accrual Basis

North Kings Groundwater Sustainability Agency
Balance Sheet
As of April 30, 2022

	Apr 30, 22
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
Checking Account	217,820.05
Money Market Account	1,055,845.34
Total Checking/Savings	1,273,665.39
Accounts Receivable	
Accounts Receivable	22,615.97
Total Accounts Receivable	22,615.97
Total Current Assets	1,296,281.36
TOTAL ASSETS	1,296,281.36
LIABILITIES & NET POSITION	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	
Accounts Payable	25,708.00
Total Accounts Payable	25,708.00
Other Current Liabilities	
Deferred Revenues Intr Parties	7,113.20
Total Other Current Liabilities	7,113.20
Total Current Liabilities	32,821.20
Total Liabilities	32,821.20
Net Position	
Legal Reserves Fund	300,000.00
Net Investment	546,014.32
Net Income	417,445.84
Total Net Position	1,263,460.16
TOTAL LIABILITIES & NET POSITION	1,296,281.36

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10. Executive Officer Report

10. EO Update

a. DWR Prop 68 Grant Award Project Update

COMPLETED

10.b Call for Projects

- Call for Projects – Consider Approval of Updated Project List – July/August 2022
  - Two new projects identified.
  - Continuing to Accept Project Submittals
  - Board to Consider Approval at July or August meetings.

Get Your Projects Submitted!!

10.c. Outreach – External Affairs

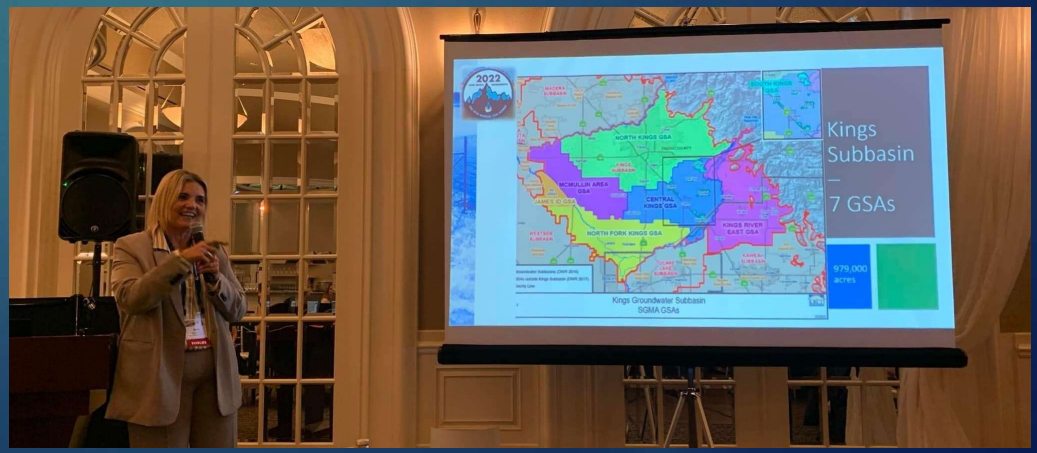
Speaking Engagements:

- Groundwater Resource Agency – GSA Summit

Legislative Efforts:

- AB 2201: Potential Amendments

- SJV Blueprint
  - Large Group Meeting
    - Paul Gosselin (DWR)
    - Erik Eckdahl (SWRCB)
    - Secretary Karen Ross



10.d. Representative Monitoring Network

10.e. Miscellaneous

- Board Directors Mandatory Training – Email from Lynn Rowe – June 21st – AB 1234 and 254 Training
- Mitigation Targets

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11. Directors Reports

Closed Session

Please note:

The meeting will be locked and accessible only to Directors, NKGSA Staff and legal counsel. If you would like information on actions taken during closed session, please call back in using the number provided. You will be allowed back into the meeting once it is unlocked at the end of the closed session discussion.

12. Report on Action(s) Taken in Closed Session

13. Adjournment

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Thank you for joining us for the NKGSA JPA Regular Board Meeting.

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