North Kings Groundwater Sustainability Agency JPA

Regular Board Meeting
August 25, 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 2022-14

a. In accordance with AB361, the Board will consider adoption of NKGSA Resolution 2022-14: 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. 2022-14 and continue to have the option to hold virtual meetings due to the current state of emergency related to Covid-19.

SPECIAL NOTES:

- Permitted While in Declared State of Emergency
- 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
6. Public Presentations

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6. Public Presentation

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7. Potential Conflicts of Interest

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8. Administrative Matters:

a. Discussion/Possible Action – Appointment of Board Chair and Vice-Chair (Chauhan)

- JPA Bylaws Require Election of Chair and Vice-Chair each July, or first meeting thereafter.
  - Jerry Prieto – Current Chair
  - Brian Pacheco – Current Vice Chair

b. Discussion/Possible Action on Board Meeting Minutes – June 23, 2022

c. Discussion/Possible Action on Special Board Meeting Minutes – July 13, 2022

d. Kings Subbasin Coordination Update (Chauhan)

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Kings Basin Update

- All revised GSPs submitted on time. DWR posted for 60 day public comment
  - DWR determination anticipated "winter 2022-23"
- Planning for new data gap studies and programs
  - Confined Aquifer Pumping, Interconnected SW, and Shallow Well Mitigation program
- Considering basin-wide demand changes since base period
- Reviewing how other basins have developed allocations
- 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 – new monitor wells in GSAs
- Preparing for fall 2022 Water Level Data

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8. Administrative Matters
   e. Water Conditions Update (Claes)

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Water Conditions Update

- Pine Flat (Kings River): 148k AF storage
- Millerton Lake (San Joaquin River): 253k AF
- CVP: Class 1 allocation: 30%
  - Exchange Contractor call has ended
  - Unreleased Restoration Flows (URFs) made available
- CVP North and South of Delta: 0%
- State Water Project: 5%

Water Conditions Update

- Summary
  - Early August monsoonal weather: ~30k AF to Kings
  - 2022 Kings annual runoff to be around 45% of avg
  - FID will soon complete 3-month irrigation season (June-August)

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8. Administrative Matters

f. Advisory Committee Update (Redelfs)

Recommended Actions:

- Approval of the Expenses (May and June 2022)
- Approval of the Financial Statements as of May 31, 2022
- Recommend Adoption of the NKGSA Updated Project List.

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8. Administrative Matters

   g. Discussion/Possible Action – Consider Approval of Member Agency Projects to be Incorporated into GSP and Completed Project Summary Table (Chauhan)

8.g. Updated Project List

- Call for Projects – May-August 2022

Category	Quantity	Details
Completed Projects	1	FID – Savory Basin
Edits to Existing Projects		FID Recharge Basins – match planned to actual sizes; revised names
New Projects	5*	3 – Bakman WC 2 - FMFCD

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8.g. Project List Update

- Project Submittal Forms

Dated Added	Agency to Implement	Project or Management Action Title	Description	Description of how benefit was determined	Quantified Project Benefit	Project Benefit Units	Start Date	Completion Date	Completion by Milestone Year	Cost Estimate
8/16/2022	Bakman Water Company	Clovis Avenue Basin	The project would entail the construction of an approximate 10-acre recharge basin.	Assuming a percolation rate of 0.42 feet per day, a wetted perimeter of 9 acres, and an average of 120 days per year; the estimated yield is 454 AFY.	454	AF/yr	2024	2024	2025	$2,750,000
8/16/2022	Bakman Water Company	Sunnyside Avenue Basin	The project would entail the construction of an approximate 10-acre recharge basin.	Assuming a percolation rate of 0.42 feet per day, a wetted perimeter of 9 acres, and an average of 120 days per year; the estimated yield is 454 AFY.	454	AF/yr	2024	2024	2025	$2,750,000
8/16/2022	Bakman Water Company	Kings Canyon Road Basin	The project would entail the construction of an approximate 10-acre recharge basin.	Assuming a percolation rate of 0.42 feet per day, a wetted perimeter of 9 acres, and an average of 120 days per year; the estimated yield is 454 AFY.	454	AF/yr	2024	2024	2025	$2,750,000

8.g. Project List Update

- Project Submittal Forms
  - Two Received from FMFCD for Basin Interties
  - Further Review Needed

RECOMMENDATION:

- For the NKGSA Board of Directors to approve the updated NKGSA GSP Project List – August 2022
  - Upon Approval – To be Posted to NKGSA Website

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8.h. NKGSA Conflict of Interest Code - Update

- 2022 Conflict of Interest Code Reviewed by Legal
- No Changes Filed with Fresno County
- No Further Action Required

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8.i Administrative

i. 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.

8. Administrative

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

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: _____

8. Administrative

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

All Well Permits Issued	Number
January	20
February	25
March	24
April	32
May	52
June	66
July	49
As of August 19th	24
TOTAL	**292**

8.j. Workgroup

i. **Technical Workgroup (Claes)**

ii. **Policy Workgroup (Chauhan)**

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9.a Financial Report: Expenses for May and June 2022

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06/15/22
Accrual Basis

North Kings Groundwater Sustainability Agency
Expense Report
May 2022

Type	Date	Num	Memo	Account	Amount
Atkinson, Andelson, Loya, Ruud & Romo					
Bill	05/01/2022	650806	April Legal	Legal	2,129.40
Total Atkinson, Andelson, Loya, Ruud & Romo					2,129.40
Constant Contact, Inc.					
Check	05/27/2022	EFT		Public Information	45.00
Total Constant Contact, Inc.					45.00
Kings River Conservation District					
Bill	05/19/2022	4804		Public Information	1,080.00
Total Kings River Conservation District					1,080.00
Provost & Pritchard Consulting Group					
Bill	05/24/2022	92394	Project 02643-22-001	Kings Basin Coordination	7,200.00
Bill	05/24/2022	92391	Project 02643-21-001	Engineering Consultant	13,451.04
Total Provost & Pritchard Consulting Group					20,651.04
TOTAL					**23,905.44**

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North Kings Groundwater Sustainability Agency
Expense Report
June 2022

Type	Date	Num	Memo	Account	Amount
Atkinson, Andelson, Loya, Ruud & Romo					
Bill	06/01/2022	653265	May Legal	Legal	3,843.00
Bill	06/30/2022	656034		Legal	7,154.70
Total Atkinson, Andelson, Loya, Ruud & Romo					10,997.70
Constant Contact, Inc.					
Check	06/27/2022	EFT		Public Information	45.00
Total Constant Contact, Inc.					45.00
Fresno Irrigation District					
Bill	06/15/2022	6974	Apr 2022 Hours	Executive Officer	9,282.42
Bill	06/15/2022	6974	Apr 2022 Fiscal Agent Hours	Supporting Staff (FID)	179.82
Bill	06/15/2022	6974	Apr 2022 Recording Secty Hours	Supporting Staff (FID)	64.38
Bill	06/15/2022	6974	Apr 2022 Eng Asst Hours	Supporting Staff (FID)	12.42
Bill	06/15/2022	6974	Apr 2022 6% Admin Fee	Supporting Staff (FID)	583.14
Bill	06/15/2022	6974	Exp Reimb - Siteground Hosting	Public Information	179.88
Bill	06/15/2022	6975	May 2022 Hours	Executive Officer	10,166.46
Bill	06/15/2022	6975	May 2022 Fiscal Agent Hours	Supporting Staff (FID)	640.62
Bill	06/15/2022	6975	May 2022 Recording Secty Hours	Supporting Staff (FID)	476.38
Bill	06/15/2022	6975	May 2022 Eng Asst Hours	Supporting Staff (FID)	49.68
Bill	06/15/2022	6975	May 2022 6% Admin Fee	Supporting Staff (FID)	679.99
Bill	06/30/2022	6985	June 2022 Hours	Executive Officer	10,755.82
Bill	06/30/2022	6985	June 2022 Fiscal Agent Hours	Supporting Staff (FID)	168.59
Bill	06/30/2022	6985	June 2022 Recording Secty Hours	Supporting Staff (FID)	630.88
Bill	06/30/2022	6985	June 2022 Eng Asst Hours	Supporting Staff (FID)	37.26
Bill	06/30/2022	6985	June 2022 6% Admin Fee	Supporting Staff (FID)	695.55
Bill	06/30/2022	6985	June Security Services	Security Services	132.00
Total Fresno Irrigation District					34,735.29
Provost & Pritchard Consulting Group					
Bill	06/30/2022	93200	Project 02643-21-001	Engineering Consultant	16,690.50
Bill	06/30/2022	93201	Project 02643-21-003 Boundary Flows	Engineering Consultant	680.80
Bill	06/30/2022	93366	Project 02643-22-001	Kings Basin Coordination	5,891.00
Bill	06/30/2022	93717	Project 02643-21-001	Engineering Consultant	16,948.80
Bill	06/30/2022	93944	Project 02643-21-003 Boundary Flows	Engineering Consultant	300.00
Bill	06/30/2022	93990	Project 02643-22-001	Kings Basin Coordination	2,664.00
Total Provost & Pritchard Consulting Group					43,175.10
TOTAL					**88,953.09**

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9. b.

Financial Report: Financial Statements as of May 31, 2022

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06/15/22
Accrual Basis

North Kings Groundwater Sustainability Agency
Balance Sheet
As of May 31, 2022

	May 31, 22
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
Checking Account	192,057.05
Money Market Account	1,055,854.31
Total Checking/Savings	1,247,911.36
Accounts Receivable	
Accounts Receivable	22,615.97
Total Accounts Receivable	22,615.97
Total Current Assets	1,270,527.33
TOTAL ASSETS	**1,270,527.33**
LIABILITIES & NET POSITION	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	
Accounts Payable	23,860.44
Total Accounts Payable	23,860.44
Other Current Liabilities	
Deferred Revenues Intr Parties	7,113.20
Total Other Current Liabilities	7,113.20
Total Current Liabilities	30,973.64
Total Liabilities	30,973.64
Net Position	
Legal Reserves Fund	500,000.00
Net Investment	346,014.32
Net Income	393,539.37
Total Net Position	1,239,553.69
TOTAL LIABILITIES & NET POSITION	**1,270,527.33**

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9.c Financial Report: Financial Statements – As of June 30, 2022 - DRAFT

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08/04/22
Accrual Basis

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

DRAFT

	Jun 30, 22
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
Checking Account	145,796.42
Money Market Account	1,055,862.99
Total Checking/Savings	1,201,659.41
Accounts Receivable	
Accounts Receivable	23,318.47
Total Accounts Receivable	23,318.47
Total Current Assets	1,224,977.88
TOTAL ASSETS	**1,224,977.88**
LIABILITIES & NET POSITION	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	
Accounts Payable	66,592.90
Total Accounts Payable	66,592.90
Other Current Liabilities	
Deferred Revenues Intr Parties	7,363.20
Total Other Current Liabilities	7,363.20
Total Current Liabilities	73,956.10
Total Liabilities	73,956.10
Net Position	
Legal Reserves Fund	500,000.00
Net Investment	346,014.32
Net Income	305,007.46
Total Net Position	1,151,021.78
TOTAL LIABILITIES & NET POSITION	**1,224,977.88**

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9.d. FY 2021-2022 Audit Update

Audit in Process.

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10. Executive Officer Report

10. EO Update

a. DWR Prop 68 Grant Award Project Update – Ribbon Cutting Event – Aug. 19

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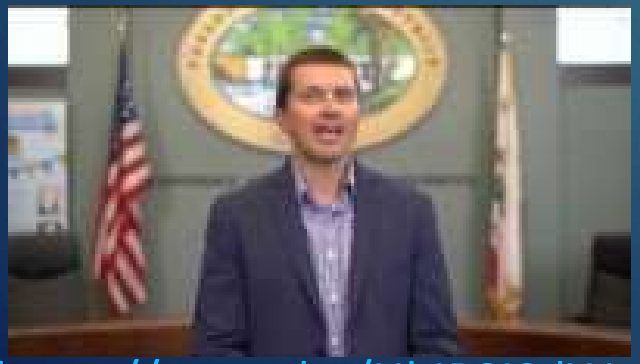
10. EO Update

a. DWR Prop 68 Grant Award Project Update – Ribbon Cutting Event – Aug. 19



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10.b. Outreach – External Affairs

Speaking Engagements:

- Sons in Retirement – July 13
- FID Ribbon Cutting – Aug. 19
- California H2O Women's Conference – Sept. 29/30

Legislative Efforts:

- AB 2201: Current Status

California H2O WOMEN CONFERENCE

10.c. Representative Monitoring Network

10.d. Miscellaneous

- Groundwater Conditions Update
- Meeting with Undersecretary for Rural Development – Ms. Xochitl Torres Small
- Biola Recharge Basin
- Boundary Flow Study Update
- Future Investigations
  - Shallow Well Mitigation Study
  - Interconnected Surface Water Investigation
  - Confined Aquifer Pumping Data Gap Evaluation
- Technical Workgroup:
  - Well Registration Program
  - Input on Future Studies

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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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