North Kings Groundwater Sustainability Agency JPA

Regular Board Meeting
October 27, 2022

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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 its meetings via teleconference and in-person to participation in NKGSA Board meetings.

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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 2022-19

a. In accordance with AB361, the Board will consider adoption of NKGSA Resolution 2022-19: 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. 2022-19 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

   *November 17th Board Meeting – Cancel?

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 – September 22, 2022

b. Discussion/Possible Action – Approval of 2023 Meeting Dates of the NKGSA Board of Directors

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Date	Event
January 26, 2023	Board of Directors Regular Meeting
February 23, 2023	Board of Directors Regular Meeting
March 23, 2023	Board of Directors Regular Meeting
April 27, 2023	Board of Directors Regular Meeting
May 25, 2023	Board of Directors Regular Meeting
June 22, 2023	Board of Directors Regular Meeting
July 27, 2023	Board of Directors Regular Meeting
August 24, 2023	Board of Directors Regular Meeting
September 28, 2023	Board of Directors Regular Meeting
October 26, 2023	Board of Directors Regular Meeting
November 16, 2023 - Tentative	Board of Directors Special Meeting
November 23, 2023* Thanksgiving Day	Board of Directors Regular Meeting
December 21, 2023 – Tentative	Board of Directors Special Meeting
December 28, 2023*	Board of Directors Regular Meeting

North Kings Groundwater Sustainability Agency Proposed Board of Directors 2023 Meeting Schedule

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c. Kings Subbasin Coordination Update (Samuelian)

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Kings Basin Update

- Soliciting projects for latest SGMA Grant Implementation Round
  - One application per basin, due 11/30/22
- GSP determination anticipated winter 2022-23
  - Public comment letters received
- Planning for new data gap studies and programs, basin-wide demand changes
- Reviewing how other basins have developed allocations
- Collecting Fall 2022 Water Level Data
- Implementing grant funding:
  - $4.8M DWR SGMA Implementation Grant Rd 1
  - $7.6M DWR SGMA Implementation Grant Rd 2
  - DWR Planning Grant - Well construction information on RMWs and new Monitor Wells
  - DWR Technical Support Services – new monitor wells in GSAs

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   d. Water Conditions Update (Claes)

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2021-22 Water Year Re-Cap

- Driest 3-year period **state-wide**
- Kings River Hydrology:
  - 2019-20: 54% (3-month run), 28th driest
  - 2020-21: 23% (1-month run), 3rd driest
  - 2021-22: 47% (3-month run), 16th driest
- 2021-22 Kings River Runoff:
  - Total: 785,000 AF
  - FID gross entitlements: 338,000 AF (43% of runoff)

Winter 2022-23 Outlook / Forecast

- DWR's State Climatologist Report
- 3rd year of La Nina
- Dominant high pressure somewhere over Pacific
- Only the third 3-year La Nina event since 1950:
  - 1974-1976: 1976 was 13th driest year statewide
  - 1999-2001: 2001 was 14th driest year statewide

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e. Advisory Committee Update (Redelfs)

Recommended Actions:

- Approval of the 2021-2022 Audited Financial Statements
- Approval of Expense Report for August 2022
- Approval of the Final Financial Statements as of Jun 30,2022
- Approval of the Financial Statements as of August 31, 2022
- Recommend Approval to Proceed with Scope of Work for Development of the Well Intake Portal

8.f. Well Intake Hub

- Purpose:
  - Centralized location for all active wells in the NKGSA boundary.

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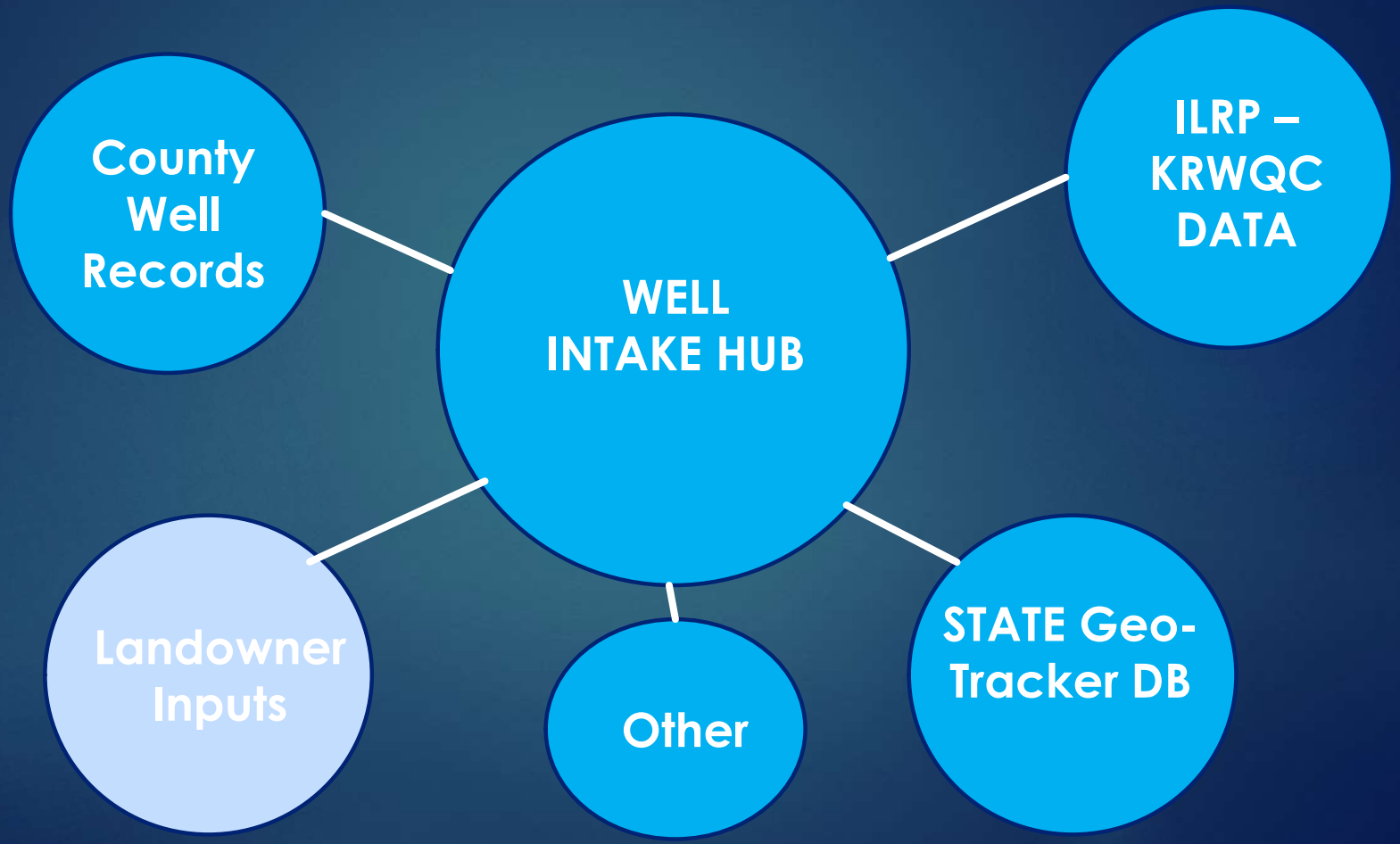

8.f. Well Intake Hub

- Priorities:
  - Develop the HUB
    - Beta Testing with Existing Data
  - Collect All Public Well Location Information and Input Into HUB
  - Engage with Landowners in ILRP/KRWQC to Share Data with NKGSA
  - Develop Marketing Materials to Encourage Participation (Sharing Data)

8.f. Well Intake Hub

- RECOMMENDATION:
  - For the Board of Directors to approve the scope of work to develop a well intake hub for all active wells in the NKGSA boundary.
    - $18,000
    - Break9 Software Developer
    - 8 weeks

8. Admin.

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

6-month lead time.

All Well Permits Issued	Number
January	20
February	25
March	24
April	32
May	52
June	66
July	49
August	40
September	49
October (To Date)	21
TOTAL	**378**

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Well Type	Number
Cathodic	1
Agricultural	113
Domestic Private	257
Domestic Public	1
Industrial	3
Monitoring	1
Soil Boring	2
TOTAL	**378**

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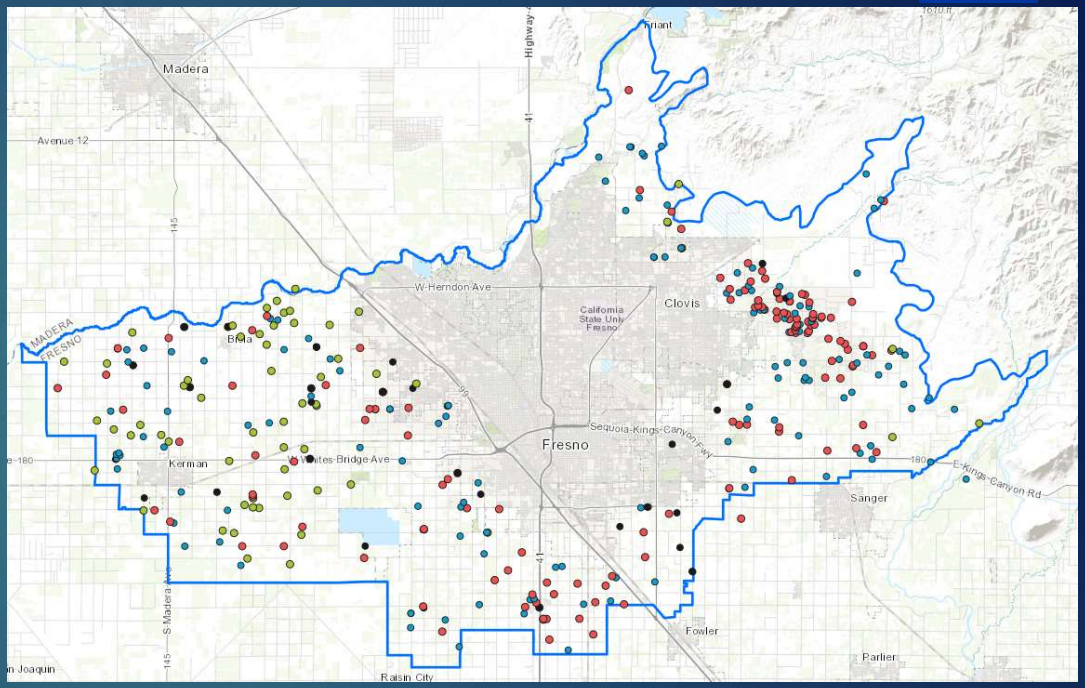

Well Activity in NKGSA Since January 2020

8.h. Workgroup

i. **Technical Workgroup (Claes)**

ii. **Policy Workgroup (Chauhan)**

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9. Financial Report:
   - a. Discussion/Possible Action –Approval of the 2021- 2022 Audited Financial Statements (Henderson/Hailey)
   - b. Discussion/Possible Action – Expense Reports – August 2022
   - c. Discussion/Possible Action – Final Financial Statements as of 6/30
   - d. Discussion/Possible Action – Financial Statements as of August 31st

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9.a FY 2021-2022 Audited Financial Statements – Brian Henderson

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9.b Financial Report: Expenses – August 2022

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9.c. Financial Report: Financial Statements – Final – 6/30/22

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9.d. Financial Report: Financial Statements – Final – 8/31/22

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10. Executive Officer Report

10. a. GSP Comments SGMA/NKGSA Update:

GSP Revisions: Submitted July 27th

- 60 Day Public Comment Period – Through Sept. 30th
- DWR Determination Anticipated Winter 2022/2023
- Five Comments Received
  - **Central Valley Flood Protection Board**
  - **US Department of Commerce – NOAA**
  - **United States Bureau of Reclamation**
  - **Self Help Enterprises**
  - **Joint NGO Letter and Petition**

SGMA Implementation Projects

- Biola CSD – Biola Recharge Project – Funding Gap
- Big Dry Creek Channel Improvements – Increased Flows to Region
- Round 2 – Prop 68 SGMA Implementation Projects

10.c. Outreach – External Affairs

Speaking Engagements:

- California H2O Women's Conference – Sept. 29/30
- ACWA Region 6/7 Meeting – Panel Discussion
- Future:
  - American Farmland Trust
  - ASCE Student Chapter Banquet

SJV Blueprint

- Large Group Meeting – Oct. 12

SGMA Panelist/Moderator: Kassy Chauhan, Lisa Porta and Sarah Woolf

10.d. Representative Monitoring Network

10.e. Miscellaneous

- Groundwater Conditions Update
- 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

12. Adjournment

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