

MID-KAWEAH GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY BOARD

SUMMARY MINUTES

November 10, 2020 – 3:00 p.m.

Conducted via Teleconference
Per Executive Order N-29-20

MEMBERS PRESENT: Dennis Mederos, Dave Martin, Steve Nelsen, David Bixler, Howard Stroman, Greg Collins

STAFF PRESENT: Aaron Fukuda, Valerie Kincaid, Kathy Artis, Randy Groom, Andrew Munn, Leslie Caviglia, Trisha Whitfield

OTHERS PRESENT: Blake Wilbur (MKGSA Advisory Comm. Chair), Andrew Hart, Stacie Ann Silva (NCWL), Blanca Escobedo (LCJA), Geoff Vander Heuvel, Matt Klinchuch, Richard Garcia, Tim Mendonca, Scott Hamilton, John Gailey (DVWA), Jose Mastro (Auditor), Tim Leo, Joseph Gallegos (UmidaAG), Rick McCombs, Hylon Kaufmann

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Mederos opened the meeting at 3:02 p.m.

2. **PUBLIC COMMENT** – The public may comment on any subject within the jurisdiction of the Board, including items on the agenda. Speakers will be allowed three minutes unless otherwise extended by the Board Chair. The Board cannot legally discuss or take official action on items presented under public comment.

Chair Mederos called for comments from any members of the public present at the meeting. None were forthcoming.

3. GENERAL BUSINESS

- a. Approval of Minutes of Regular Meeting on October 13, 2020
It was moved by Director Martin, seconded by Director Nelson, and unanimously carried to approve the minutes as presented.
- b. Financial Reports*
 - i. Financial Statements – Year-to-Date
K. Artis provided the report for the Board’s review and consideration. She pointed out highlights in the balance sheet, profit and loss statement, and list of recent transactions. Following the report, it was moved by Director Collins, seconded by Director Nelsen, and unanimously carried to accept the report as presented.
 - ii. MKGSA Independent Auditor’s Report
J. Mastro (Auditor) provided the report for the Board’s review and consideration. Following the report, it was moved by Director Bixler, seconded by Director Stroman, and unanimously carried to accept the report as presented.

- c. Legal Counsel Report
 - V. Kincaid advised she had no report.
 - d. Water Blueprint for the San Joaquin Valley
 - i. Approve a contribution of \$2,520 to the Water Blueprint for the San Joaquin Valley for Conveyance Facility Evaluation Participation*
S. Hamilton (Water Blueprint) provided a report for the Board's review and consideration. Chair Mederos amended the item to allow not only for the contribution of \$2,520, but authority, by the Interim General Manager to contribute up to \$10,000. Following discussion, it was moved by Director Martin, seconded by Director Stroman, and unanimously carried to approve the item as stated by Chair Mederos.
 - e. MKGSA Advisory Committee Update
 - A. Fukuda advised that the December meeting has been cancelled.
 - f. MKGSA GSP Review Status
 - A. Fukuda advised that he had no further update.
 - g. MKGSA GSP Implementation Workplan
 - i. Approve Montgomery and Associates Task Order No. 4 in an amount not to exceed \$15,000*
A. Fukuda provided a report for the Board's review and consideration. Following the presentation, it was moved by Director Nelson, seconded by Director Bixler and unanimously carried to approve the item as presented.
 - h. Kaweah Subbasin Coordination
 - i. Kaweah Subbasin Managers Report
A. Fukuda provided a report for the Board's review and consideration.
 - ii. Prop 68 Planning Grant
A. Fukuda provided an update on the well metering monitoring program for the Board's review and consideration.
 - iii. Prop 68 Implementation Grant
 - 1. Provost & Pritchard Application Preparation
A. Fukuda provided an update on the Prop 68 Implementation Grant process.
 - iv. RCIS Program
A. Fukuda provided a report for the Board's review and consideration.
 - v. Water Marketing Strategy Grant
A. Fukuda provided a report for the Board's review and consideration.
 - vi. Stanford SkyTEM
A. Fukuda provided a report for the Board's review and consideration.
- 4. STAFF UPDATE, DISCUSSION AND RECEIVE DIRECTION, IF NECESSARY, REGARDING COVID-19**

5. BOARD/STAFF UPDATES, FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS OR OTHER TOPICS OF INTEREST

Chair Mederos received consensus from the Board for staff to add the Prop 68 Implementation Grant for consideration and a TID update to the December 8, 2020 meeting .

6. CLOSED SESSION

A. Fukuda advised the Board that Closed Session was not needed.

- a. Gov't Code §54956.9 – Anticipated Litigation: One Case
- b. Gov't Code §54957 – discuss employment of General Manager

7. ADJOURNMENT Next Regular Meeting – December 8, 2020

Chair Mederos adjourned the meeting at 4:28 p.m.

Groundwater Sustainability Agency
Board Chair

Attest:

Groundwater Sustainability Agency
Board Secretary