

SACRAMENTO CENTRAL GROUNDWATER AUTHORITY (SCGA)
Governing Board Meeting
Final Minutes
January 9, 2013

LOCATION: 10060 Goethe Road, Room 1212
Sacramento, CA 95827
9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

MINUTES:

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Chair Jim Peifer called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

The following meeting participants were in attendance:

Board Members (Primary Rep):

Conservation Landowners
Omochumne-Hartnell Water District
Rancho Murieta Community Services District

Board Members (Alternate Rep):

Elk Grove Water District
Golden State Water Company
Sacramento Regional County Sanitation District
Elk Grove Water District
City of Elk Grove
City of Folsom
City of Rancho Cordova
City of Sacramento
Sacramento Regional County Sanitation District

Staff Members:

Darrell Eck, Executive Director, SCGA
Heather Peek, Clerk, SCGA
Ping Chen, SCGA

Others in Attendance:

Brett Ewart, City of Sacramento
Mark Roberson, Water Forum
Rob Swartz, Sacramento Groundwater Authority
Rodney Fricke, Aerojet Corporation
Ali Taghavi, RMC

Member Agencies Absent

Agricultural Interests
Agricultural-Residential
California-American Water Company
County of Sacramento
Public Agencies Self-Supplied

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

3. CONSENT CALENDAR

Mr. Schubert pointed out a correction needed for the November 14, 2012 meeting minutes, under the Director's Comments, where it was noted that there were two wells set for destruction, when in fact it was a single well with two additional wells scheduled to be destroyed.

The draft meeting minutes for the November 14, 2012 Board meeting were reviewed for final approval.

Motion/Second/Carried – Mr. Bettis moved, seconded by Mr. Schubert, the motion carried unanimously to approve the all items.

4. 2012 – 2013 BUDGET STATUS

Mr. Eck reported that fiscal year was near the half-way point and provided a brief update on the SCGA budget to date. Mr. Eck directed the Board's attention to a detail sheet which highlighted the overall budget and expenditures. The overall budget for the fiscal year was \$513,989, with expenditures to date of \$53,000, and a remaining budget balance of \$460,000. Mr. Eck then reminded that the overall budget was relatively large due to the application for a \$250,000 groundwater grant. Mr. Peifer stated that the action was to receive and file the budget update.

5. WATER ACCOUNTING FRAMEWORK

Mr. Eck provided a brief overview of the presentations given to the board relating to issues concerning the development of a

water accounting framework and more specifically, groundwater banking within the central basin. Mr. Eck stated that the presentations also served as a precursor to forming a subcommittee, as was suggested at an earlier meeting, which would commence with informed discussions in order to provide recommendations to the greater board for a formal water accounting framework. Mr. Eck announced that staff at that time, would like the board to establish a subcommittee with a call for volunteers.

Mr. Peifer asked if Mr. Eck knew how often the subcommittee meetings would meet. Mr. Eck replied with once a month during the months that the Board did not meet for possibly an hour to an hour and a half at a time over the course of about a year.

Mr. Kamilos asked how many people were in mind for the subcommittee. Mr. Eck responded that around three interested board members would be appropriate so as to provide an opportunity to have different perspectives. Mr. Eck further explained that it was expected that as progress was made on developing the framework, specific questions could arise which may necessitate re-inviting some of the same people who had previously made presentations, in order to provide more detailed explanations of their project proposals.

Mr. Crouse asked if any consultants might be needed and if so what kind and what would the budget permit. Mr. Eck said it was a possibility and that it might become more apparent as an outcome of the subcommittee meetings and that if it was needed it could be folded into the next year's fiscal budget.

Mr. Schubert (Golden State Water Company), Mr. Eising (City of Folsom), Mr. Ramirez/Mr. Ocenosak (SRCSD), Mr. Lowry (Omochumne-Hartnell), Mr. Bettis (Conservation Landowners) Mr. Peifer (City of Sacramento) and Mr. Kamilos (Elk Grove Water District) volunteered to from the subcommittee.

6. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Mr. Eck reported that the Sacramento Groundwater Authority (SGA) in conjunction with Regional Water Authority (RWA) is working on an agreement with the California Water Foundation on a grant to evaluate hydraulic modeling tools. The grant will be designed to assist stakeholders within the region to understand which is the best tool for the various types of analysis that may be required going forward. Mr. Eck then announced that Form 700's would be due by April 1st and submit them to Ramon Roybal. Mr. Eck then provided an update regarding board nominations to fill vacant seats announcing that Tom Mahon was nominated as the primary, with Charlotte Mitchell as alternate, by the Farm Bureau to represent Agricultural Interests and that their expected approval date was February 26th. Mr. Eck then mentioned that with the passing of Ed Smith that staff would be working on filling that his vacate seat.

7. DIRECTORS' COMMENTS

Mr. Peifer reported that the City of Sacramento had commenced the drilling of a new well. He stated that up to two wells could be drilled with one went to the upper aquifer and one to the lower aquifer at the Shasta Park site. Mr. Peifer referred additional questions to Brett Ewart, Associate Engineer, with the City.

Mr. Wilson announced that the City of Elk Grove had been awarded a Prop 84 grant for constructing dry wells within urban settings. He reported that the City would be installing dry wells and monitoring wells in residential, commercial, and roadside settings. The dry wells would be pretreated via bio-swales and other means. The project would look at the

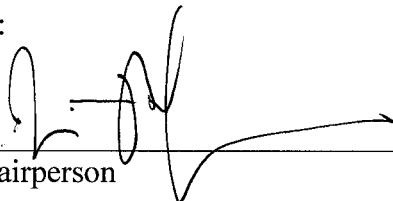
effectiveness of dry wells over a three year period specifically, the quality of water going into the groundwater aquifer, which will then be reported to the Water Board. The locations would include one along Grant Line Road, one at the City's corps yard, and one in a residential location. Mr. Lowry asked as to the exact purpose of the study. Mr. Wilson replied that they were interested in the effectiveness of dry wells in concert with low impact development for recharging groundwater aquifers and localized flood attenuation. Mr. Wilson stated that the City has already been monitoring an existing dry well located at a CVS Pharmacy located at the corner of Bradshaw Road and Calvine Road for the past couple of years.

ADJOURNMENT

Upcoming Meetings –

Next SCGA Board of Directors Meeting – Wednesday, March 13th, 2013. 10060 Goethe Road, Sacramento, CA; SASD South Conference Room 1212 (Sunset Maple).

By:



Chairperson

3.13.2013

Date



Chairperson

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Date