

MEETING MINUTES

Groundwater Sustainability Agency for the Central Management Area in the Santa Ynez River Groundwater Basin February 27, 2023

A regular meeting of the Groundwater Sustainability Agency (GSA) for the Central Management Area (CMA) in the Santa Ynez River Groundwater Basin was held on Monday, February 27, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. As a result of the COVID-19 emergency, this meeting occurred solely via video/teleconference as recommended by Santa Barbara County Public Health, as authorized by State Assembly Bill 361, and Resolution CMA-2021-001 (passed on 10/20/2021, reaffirmed 11/28/2022).

CMA GSA Committee Directors Present: Art Hibbits, John Sanchez, and Meighan Diethofer (non-voting Acting Alternate)

CMA GSA Committee Directors Present: Cynthia Allen

Member Agency Staff Present: Bill Buelow, Marliez Diaz, and Rose Hess

Others Present: Deby Laranjo, Curtis Lawler (by phone), and Suzanne Lily

I. Call to Order and Roll Call

CMA GSA Committee Chair Art Hibbits called the meeting to order at 10:12 a.m. and asked Mr. Buelow to call roll. Two voting CMA GSA Directors were present providing a quorum. In addition, one Alternate Director was present.

II. Additions or Deletions to the Agenda

No additions or deletions were made.

III. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

IV. Review and consider approval of meeting minutes of November 28, 2022

The minutes of the CMA GSA Committee meeting on November 28, 2022 were presented for GSA Committee approval. CMA GSA Committee Director Art Hibbits abstained from voting. GSA Alternate Director Cynthia Allen became the Acting Alternate Director. There was no discussion.

CMA GSA Director John Sanchez made a MOTION to approve the minutes of November 28, 2022, as presented. GSA Acting Alternate Director Cynthia Allen seconded the motion. There was no discussion or public comment, The motion passed unanimously.

V. Review and consider approval of Financial Statements and Warrant List

CMA GSA Committee Director Art Hibbits resumed his role as Committee Director and GSA Acting Alternate Director Cynthia Allen returned to the role of Alternate Director.

The CMA GSA Committee reviewed the financial reports of FY 2022-23 Periods 4 through 6 (through December 31, 2022) and the Warrant Lists for October, November, and December 2022. Discussion followed.

CMA GSA Director John Sanchez made a MOTION to approve the Warrant Lists of October, November, and December 2022 (Check Nos. 2013 and 1000-1002) totaling \$18,672.20, as presented. GSA Director Art Hibbits seconded the motion. There was no discussion or public comment. The motion passed unanimously.

VI. Review and Summary of Request(s) for CMA GSA Written Verification under Executive Order N-7-22 and other well permits processed by County EHS in the CMA

Mr. Buelow presented the CMA GSA Summary of Well Verifications and Other Wells. He reported that two expedited written verifications were issued by Member Agency staff since the last CMA GSA meeting, as recommended by GSI Water Solutions and authorized by GSA Directors. A written verification was issued for APN 099-210-065 on Mail Road in Lompoc as being a river well and exempt from SGMA. A written verification was issued for APN 137-090-068 located in Buellton as being a replacement well.

a. Hudson River LLC – APN 099-240-058

Mr. Buelow reported that a request for written verification was received for Hudson River LLC, APN 099-240-058, for a replacement well possibly in the River Alluvium. The request and documents were sent to GSI Water Solutions for review. Discussion followed. There was no public comment.

VII. Receive Presentation by Curtis Lawler of Stetson Engineering “Airborne Electro-Magnetic (AEM) Survey for the Central Management Area and Central Management Area – WY 2022 Studies Summary”

Curtis Lawler, Stetson Engineers, presented information on the Airborne ElectroMagnetic (AEM) Survey for Western Management Area and Central Management Area and Water Year 2022 Studies Summary. Discussion followed, no action, and no public comment.

VIII. Receive Staff Briefing on October 2022 Water Levels in the CMA

Ms. Marliez Diaz, Santa Barbara County Water Agency, presented information on the Central Management Area Overview of Historical Water Level Trends and Recent October 2022 Measurements. There was discussion and public comments during the presentation. There was no action.

IX. Receive Update on CMA Second Annual Report

Mr. Buelow provided an update on the CMA Second Annual Report. He informed the GSA Committee that staff is planning for a presentation of the Report during the March 27, 2023 public meeting. There was no discussion, no action, and no public comment.

X. Next CMA GSA Special Meeting, Monday, March 27, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. at Buellton City Council Chambers

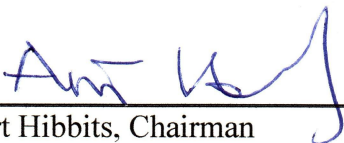
The next scheduled regular CMA GSA meeting will be Monday, March 27, 2023 at 10:00 a.m.

XI. CMA GSA Committee reports and requests for future agenda items

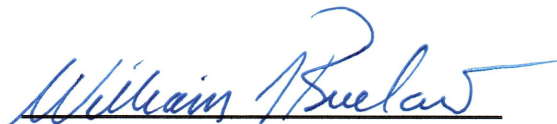
There were no requests or comments.

XII. Adjournment

GSA Committee Chair Art Hibbits adjourned the meeting at 11:10 a.m.



Art Hibbits, Chairman



William J. Buelow, Secretary

**GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY FOR THE
CENTRAL MANAGEMENT AREA (CMA)
IN THE SANTA YNEZ RIVER VALLEY GROUNDWATER BASIN**

OCTOBER 2022 WARRANT LIST FOR COMMITTEE APPROVAL

<u>NUMBER</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PAYEE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
2013	10/13/22	Stetson Engineers	August 2022 Engineering Service (AEM Survey Work)	\$ 16,064.00
MONTH TOTAL				\$ 16,064.00

NOVEMBER 2022 WARRANT LIST FOR COMMITTEE APPROVAL

<u>NUMBER</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PAYEE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
NONE				
MONTH TOTAL				\$ -

DECEMBER 2022 WARRANT LIST FOR COMMITTEE APPROVAL

<u>NUMBER</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PAYEE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
1000	12/14/22	GSI Water Solutions	Well Verification Review (paid by Well Owner Deposits)	\$ 1,592.50
1001	12/14/22	Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District	Reimburse costs paid by SYRWCD for October 2022 Stetson Engineers SGMA Planning Program and 40 postage stamps	\$ 715.70
1002	12/14/22	Valley Bookkeeping	2022 3rd Quarter Bookkeeping (July, August, September 2022)	\$ 300.00
MONTH TOTAL				\$ 2,608.20

TOTAL CHECKS THIS QUARTER: \$ 18,672.20