

SACRAMENTO CENTRAL GROUNDWATER AUTHORITY (SCGA)
Governing Board Meeting
Final Minutes
March 14, 2007

LOCATION: 10545 Armstrong Avenue, Conference Room 170
Mather, CA 95655
9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

MINUTES:

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Chair Scott Fort called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m.

Roll call was taken and the following meeting participants were in attendance:

Board Members (Primary Rep.)

Sandi Russell, Elk Grove Water Service
Anthony van Steyn, Agricultural Interests
Stuart Helfand, Agricultural-Residential
Rick Bettis, Conservation Landowners
Edwin Smith, Public Agencies/Self Supplied
Tom Glover, California-American WC
Scott Fort, Golden State Water Company

Board Members (Alternate Rep.)

Albert Stricker, City of Rancho Cordova
Mel Johnson, City of Sacramento
Clarence Korhonen, City of Elk Grove
Herb Niederberger, County of Sacramento/Sacramento County Water Agency (SCWA)

Staff Members

Walter Sadler, City of Folsom
Leo D. Havener, Jr., Elk Grove Water Service
Darrell Eck, County of Sacramento/Sacramento County Water Agency (SCWA)
Daniel Jones, County of Sacramento/Sacramento County Water Agency (SCWA)
Jose Ramirez, Sacramento Regional County Sanitation District (SRCSD)
Michelle Fiorino, Clerk, Sacramento Regional County Sanitation District (SRCSD)

Others in Attendance

Rob Swartz, Sacramento Groundwater Authority
Jafar Faghieh, MWH

2. Public Comment

Chair Fort called for any public comment. No public comment was made.

3. Consent Calendar

The draft meeting minutes for the meeting held on February 14, 2007, were reviewed for final approval.

Motion/Second/Carried – Sandi Russell moved, by a second from Edd Smith to approve the minutes of February 14, 2007.

4. Central Basin Well Protection Program Agreement Workshop

The workshop to discuss the background, development, and implementation issues related to the Central Basin Well Protection Program Agreement was presented by Darrell Eck and Dan Jones (**see attached**). The Board also discussed the list of concerns that the City of Elk Grove had. There still needs to be additional discussion regarding collection of fees with the various land use agencies, but the Agreement addresses Elk Grove's other concerns.

Staff will continue to work with County Counsel and others on development of the Agreement and report back to the Board on their progress.

5. Change in Board Meetings

There was discussion on changing the frequency of the Board meeting to every other month. The Board decided to continue monthly meetings for the time being. No change in the frequency was made, however, future meetings could be canceled if it was determined that there was no business for the Board to discuss. No change to Section 3.09(b) of the Authority's Rules of Procedure is necessary.

6. Discussion on Appointment of Permanent Executive Director

There was no update on the appointment of a permanent Executive Director. It was suggested that Scott Fort and Darrell Eck meet with the new Executive Officer of the Water Forum, Tom Gohring. Scott Fort will contact Mr. Gohring.

7. Executive Director's Report

- Staffing Agreement with the County of Sacramento: The item was approved by the Board of Supervisors on February 27, 2007.
- Appointment of Board and Alternate Members: Tom Glover and Rick Bettis were appointed by the Board of Supervisors on March 6, 2007, as members of the Board of the SCGA representing California-American Water Company and the Conservation Landowners, respectively.

- Request for Contributions: Invoices were mailed. No status on their return. A correction needed to be made to Elk Grove Water Service's invoice. The original invoice did not properly reflect the amount of their contribution based on the formula described in the JPA. The correction has been made and a new invoice will be sent out.
- Authority Website: SCGAH2O.org is now up and running. If there are any suggestions regarding content please let staff know.
- Public Outreach Plan: Distributed draft to the Board members and asked for comment (see attached). The format of the plan is based on one developed for SGA. Public outreach requirements described in the plan are taken from the Central Basin's Groundwater Management Plan.
- South Area Water Council: The council is in its beginning stages with its most recent meeting on March 8, 2007. During the meeting documents were provided to the attendees that identified a proposed overlap area between the South Basin and the Central Basin (see attached). How this proposed overlap area is defined could have an impact on programs to be implemented as part of the Central Basin GMP, particularly the proposed Central Basin Well Protection Program. Darrell will continue to update the Board as information becomes available.

8. Directors' Comments

Stuart Helfand asked if Walter Sadler had met with Fruitridge Water District and the Florin County Water District regarding their participation in SCGA. Walter indicated that he had met with Florin County.

Sandi Russell introduced Leo D. Havener, Jr., from Elk Grove Water Service.

9. Adjournment

With no further business to come before the Board, Chair Scott Fort adjourned the meeting at 10:40 a.m.

By:

Scott D. Fort

Chairperson

5/16/07

Date

Attest:

Michele S. Fiorino

5/16/07

Date

