

# **White Wolf Subbasin Groundwater Sustainability Agency Regular Board Meeting of the Board of Directors**

## **Agenda August 1, 2023 at 1:00 p.m.**

*Public may attend in-person, via telephone, or Web-based service:*

In Person: Wheeler Ridge-Maricopa Water Storage District Headquarters  
12109 Highway 166  
Bakersfield, CA 93313

Or Virtual Option:

Go To Meeting: <https://meet.goto.com/911605181>  
Call by Phone: (872) 240-3311 Access Code: 911-605-181

*Remote participation by a Director will also occur at:*  
2732 McConnell Drive  
Los Angeles, CA 90064

- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Recognition of Guests**
- 3. Approval of Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of June 6, 2023**
- 4. Financial Accounting Report (Robert Velasquez)**
- 5. Updates on actions discussed or authorized on June 6, 2023 (EKI)**
  - a. Update on Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) implementation activities
    - i. June 2023 groundwater levels
  - b. Grant application updates
    - i. SGMA Implementation Round 2
    - ii. Multibenefit Land Repurposing Program Round 2
    - iii. Other potential grant opportunities
  - c. Projects/Management Actions (P/MA) updates
  - d. Comparison of projected effects of on-farm recharge and demand reduction measures on groundwater levels
  - e. DWR GSP Determinations and State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) update

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**6. Correspondence**

**7. Public Comment**

*At this time, the public may address the Board on any item not appearing on the agenda that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Board. Comments will be limited to three minutes.*

**8. Consider and provide direction on future agenda items**

**9. Closed Session – Anticipated litigation (Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2))—1 item.**

**10. Report out of Closed Session**

**11. Adjourn**

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Wheeler Ridge-Maricopoa Water Storage District  
12109 Highway 166, Mettler, CA 93313**

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

Date of Meeting: Tuesday, June 6, 2023

Location: Remote and In-Person

Meeting Commenced at 1:02 p.m.

**DIRECTORS PRESENT:** Tito Martinez, Allen Lyda, Jon Reiter.

**ALTERNATES:** Nicholas Sheridan.

**DIRECTORS ABSENT:** Jeff Giumarra, Jeff Mettler.

**PUBLIC AND STAFF:** Joel Kimmelshue LandIQ, Brad DeBranch from Bolthouse, Christina Lucero, from EKI, Jeevan Muhar, and Sam Blue from AEWSD, Tim Gobler from Trinitas, Eric McDaris with WRMWSD, Robert Velasquez with Tejon Ranch, Legal Counsel Alan Doud and his representative, Brett Stroud, were remote.

President Martinez did a recognition of guests followed by the draft meeting minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of March 7, 2023, presented by Ms. Martin. On motion by Director Lyda and seconded by Director Nicholas, the minutes were approved. The motion was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

Robert Velasquez gave a presentation of the financials statements. Director Martinez asked if EKI expenses were on track of what had been budgeted, which Mr. Velasquez confirmed was so. On motion by Director Lyda, seconded by Director Nicholas, the financial reports were unanimously approved by roll call vote.

Christina Lucero gave a presentation starting with an update on Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) implementation activities. She presented the April water levels in the basin, with some wells above MT. She explained some measurements had to be taken from replacement wells, and that the continued exceedance of well RMW-WWB-010 is being monitored closely. She continued to talk about data gap activities and data collection. Christina also announced the draft award of SGMA Implementation Round 2 grant out for public comment. The WWGSA received 4.83 million dollars out of its 13.49 requested. It was a highly competitive grant. 82 applications and only 31 received an award. She reminded the board that this is a no cost share grant. The final announcement will be in October of 2023. Regarding round 2 Multibenefit Land Repurposing Program Grant, we expect to receive an announcement sometime in July. She provided a summary of the last P/MA Committee meeting. Christina also asked the board for direction regarding landowner-based recharge programs as a land re-purposing action, and what policies/actions would be needed to implement. The Board recommended each District to provide information on this matter. She also informed that DWR has yet to provide GSP determinations. Around 15 GSP determinations will be released per quarter.

Director Nicholas provided an update on the Mettler recharge program. Approximately 6,200/AF have been recharged.

The Land IQ Contract for Evapotranspiration Data to Support WY 2023-2025 Annual Report was presented to the Board. The costs of this item would potentially be covered by the Implementation Round 2 grant. After a brief discussion and on motion by Director Nicholas, and seconded by Director Lyda, the contract was unanimously approved by roll-call vote.

There was correspondence to report. A letter from DWR was received. It recommended GSA do monthly uploads of groundwater levels instead of bi-annual, due to this year's hydrology. The board agreed not to make any changes and will continue to report based on the established requirements.

There was no public comment.

It was recommended that the next scheduled board meeting for July 4<sup>th</sup> be canceled and wait until August unless a special meeting was deemed necessary before that.

The Board went into closed session.

There was nothing to report from closed session.

On motion by Director Nicholas, seconded by Director Lyda, the White Wolf GSA meeting was adjourned at 2.55 p.m.

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Angelica Martin, Secretary, White Wolf Subbasin GSA

Approved by: White Wolf Subbasin GSA Board of Directors    Dated: August 1, 2023

## WHITE WOLF GSA FINANCIAL INFORMATION

### WHITE WOLF GSA - June 30, 2023

<b>FUNDING</b>	\$ 400,002
INTEREST INCOME	620
<b>TOTAL FUNDING</b>	<b>400,622</b>
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES - CONSULTING	\$ 319,205
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES - LEGAL	7,408
FEES - OTHER	770
OTHER	88
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$ 327,472.03</b>
<b>FUNDING AVAILABLE AT JUNE 30, 2023</b>	<b>\$ 73,150</b>
<b>PROJECTED SPEND THROUGH DECEMBER 2023</b>	<b>\$ 220,000</b>
<b>ADDITIONAL FUNDING REQUEST</b>	<b>\$ 150,000</b>

To be funded by September 1st

EKI	\$	319,205
Young Woolridge	\$	7,408
Bank Fees	\$	770
Other	\$	88

### FISCAL YEAR 2023

	ACTUAL		BUDGET		VARIANCE
	\$ 400,622		\$ 420,233		\$ (19,611)
	327,472		430,200		(102,728)
	<b>\$ 73,150</b>		<b>\$ (9,967)</b>		<b>\$ 83,117</b>