

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

## **Agenda November 5, 2024 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:

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- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Recognition of Guests**
- 3. Approval of Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of October 1, 2024**
- 4. Financial Accounting Report (Robert Velasquez)**
- 5. California Department of Water Resources (DWR) SGMA Implementation Round 2 grant update (Angelica Martin)**
- 6. Updates on actions discussed or authorized on October 1, 2024 (EKI)**
  - a. Update on Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) implementation activities
    - i. September and October 2024 groundwater levels
    - ii. Water Year 2024 Annual Report preparations
    - iii. Projects and Management Action (P/MA) updates
- 7. Correspondence**
- 8. 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.*

- 9. Consider and provide direction on future agenda items**
- 10. Closed Session – Conference with Real Property Negotiators (Gov. Code § 54956.8):**

Property: Various parcels comprising potential monitoring well sites  
Agency Negotiators: Jeevan Muhar, Sheridan Nicholas, and Angelica Martin  
Negotiating Parties: Diamond Farming Company and Sapphire Prop Holdings LLC

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**11. Report out of Closed Session**

**12. Adjourn**

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

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Date of Meeting: Tuesday, October 1, 2024

Location: Remote and In-Person

Meeting Commenced at 1:04 p.m.

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

**ALTERNATES:** Sheridan Nicholas.

**DIRECTORS ABSENT:** Dolores Salgado, Jeff Mettler,

**PUBLIC AND STAFF:** Christina Lucero, Anona Dutton from EKI, Alanna Goodall with AECOM, Tim Gobler with Pomona Farming, Adam Nash from Granite Construction, Leah Metzger from Tejon Ranch, Robert Velasquez, and Legal Counsel Alan Doud.

President Martinez did a recognition of guests followed by the review of the draft meeting minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of August 6, 2024. On motion by Director Lyda and seconded by Director Giumarra, with one abstain from Director Reiter, the minutes were approved by rollcall vote.

Robert Velasquez gave a report on the financial statements. The board requested a list of checks received and used to make payments be added to the report. He also provided an update of grant money received. It was agreed by the board that a true-up and reimbursements to the Districts should be done before the end of the program. Director Lyda recommended every month the Board receives a cash forecast report that can assist in making decisions. Mr. Velasquez also provided information on a 2025 fiscal budget amendment, adding an expenditure of \$660,400 that was already approved in the grant but was pending CEQA approval. On motion by Director Lyda, seconded by Director Giumarra, the amendment was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

Ms. Martin provided a grant update and advised that the CEQA concurrence had been completed by DWR and allowed projects covered under the grant to proceed.

Christina Lucero provided an update on Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) implementation activities. She presented the August 2024 water levels. No exceedance to report and the well that has been tracked due to prior low MO/MT continues to rise about a foot a year. She also updated on dedicated monitoring well planning and informed correspondence with property owner is ongoing and there may be a possibility that alternate locations will be used if access can't be secured by December on order to stay on track with the grant schedule. She talked about a CASP letter received. She explained there were some discrepancies in the data presented in the letter, as well as lack of clarity in the anomalies seen. The Board recommended a response letter be drafted. Christina proceeded to inform the board about the recently released draft papers for Interconnected Surface Water Guidance by DWR. Public comments are accepted until November 4. It was discussed and advised to assess how the area of ISW in the WW basin is reflected in the basin's model. Christitina said the data for this area is part of the mode calibration effort, but she agreed to look closer and analyze how this area performs in the model.

Ms. Martin informed the Board there was one letter received on September 10, 2024, from CASP, which was already discussed earlier in the meeting.

There was one public comment. Adam Ash from Granite Construction offered his service and expressed interest in bidding for the 850 Canal Intertie Project. He was informed that AEWSO was directly working on that bidding packet.

The Board went into closed session at 1:45

There was nothing to report out of closed session.

On motion by Director Giumarra, seconded by Director Lyda, the White Wolf GSA meeting was adjourned at 2.58 p.m.

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Angelica Martin, Secretary, White Wolf Subbasin GSA

Approved by: White Wolf Subbasin GSA Board of Directors

Dated: November 5, 2024

**From:** Renshaw, Andrew@DWR <[Andrew.Renshaw@water.ca.gov](mailto:Andrew.Renshaw@water.ca.gov)>

**Sent:** Friday, October 18, 2024 9:36 AM

**To:** Angelica Martin <[amartin@tejonranch.com](mailto:amartin@tejonranch.com)>

**Cc:** Ennis, Reanna@DWR <[Reanna.Ennis@water.ca.gov](mailto:Reanna.Ennis@water.ca.gov)>; Al Ahmed, Yaman@DWR <[Yaman.AL-Ahmed@water.ca.gov](mailto:Yaman.AL-Ahmed@water.ca.gov)>

**Subject:** Review and Update of Projects and Management Actions (PMA) Module Data for White Wolf

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Dear Angelica Martin,

The Department of Water Resources (the Department) is advancing efforts to populate the Projects and Management Actions (PMA) Module within the [SGMA Portal](#). Department staff have initially populated the PMA Module using information provided in your basin's groundwater sustainability plan (GSP). The attached Excel spreadsheet contains the PMAs from your GSP as populated by Department staff.

Through this email, Department staff are providing Groundwater Sustainability Agencies (GSAs) an opportunity to review and verify the PMA information. Please review the spreadsheet and follow the steps outlined below to confirm or update the information:

1. **Enable Macros:** Macros were used to organize the data. To accurately review the Excel spreadsheet please ensure that macros are enabled. If needed, instructions for enabling macros can be found in *Section 3.1.3* of the [SGMA Portal PMA Module User Manual](#).
2. **DWR Comments:** Department comments concerning an individual PMA are included in the "DWR Comments" column (Column BU) with corresponding fields highlighted in yellow.
3. **Update Information:** GSAs may directly update, correct, or change any data in the spreadsheet. The fields in the spreadsheet include text-entry fields and dropdown selections. GSAs may also provide comments in the "GSA Comments" column at the end of the spreadsheet (Column BV).

Not all fields are required to be completed. Required fields are denoted with "\*", and conditionally required fields are denoted with "\*\*\*" in the header row. Selecting specific options in some fields may automatically gray out other fields, indicating that they are not required. Please see the "**Field Descriptions**" tab within the spreadsheet for more information about each field, including its description and its requirements.

The Department highly encourages GSAs to update fields with information that was not provided in the initial GSP submittal. These fields have been designated with "Not provided in GSP" during the Department's initial PMA Module population efforts.

4. **Add Additional PMAs:** Additional PMAs can be added to the PMA Module by inputting the PMA's information into a blank row in the spreadsheet at the bottom of dataset.
5. **Removal of Irrelevant PMAs:** To remove a PMA that is not included in your submitted GSP, indicate the PMA needs to be removed and provide the justification in the "GSA Comments" column (Column BV). **Do not delete data from the row directly.**

For PMAs that are no longer being considered during implementation, there will be a process to subsequently withdraw those PMAs through Annual Updates.

6. **Submission:** Please send confirmed or updated spreadsheets to the Department via the [GSPSubmittal@water.ca.gov](mailto:GSPSubmittal@water.ca.gov) email no later than **November 15, 2024**.

After you review and submit the spreadsheet, the Department will upload the spreadsheet to the PMA Module on behalf of your basin.

GSAs will be granted full access to the PMA Module in the SGMA Portal by December 2024. Once granted access, GSAs will be able to review or edit their PMAs within the PMA Module at any time. Public access to PMA Module data is anticipated by the end of the year.

The Department has developed resources to familiarize users with the module. The [July 2024 PMA Module Webinar recording](#) shows a demonstration of the PMA Module, and the [SGMA Portal PMA Module User Manual](#) provides a step-by-step overview of the PMA Module's features.

We greatly appreciate your cooperation in this effort. If you have any questions or want to set up a meeting to discuss the process in further detail, please contact me or Reanna Ennis ([Reanna.Ennis@water.ca.gov](mailto:Reanna.Ennis@water.ca.gov)). If you are unable to meet the **November 15<sup>th</sup>** deadline, please provide an updated timeline for submission.

Thank you,

Andrew

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