

**SIERRA VALLEY GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT  
REGULAR BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
SIERRA CHRISTIAN CHURCH  
81059 HIGHWAY 70 BECKWOURTH, CA 96129  
Monday, December 20, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.**

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**Board of Directors**  
**Einen Grandi, Chairman**  
**Don Wallace, Vice-Chair**  
**Dwight Ceresola, Director**  
**Dave Goicoechea, Director**  
**Greg Ramelli, Director**  
**Jim Roberti, Director**  
**Paul Roen, Director**

**MINUTES**

**1) CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL OF DIRECTORS**

Chairman Grandi called the meeting to order at 6:02 PM  
Directors present: Grandi, Goicoechea, Ramelli, Roen, Ceresola, Roberti, Wallace  
Directors absent: none  
Also present: Judie Talbot, Jim Swann, Dwight Smith, Tracey Ferguson, Kristi Jamason, Katie Tanner, and Rick Roberti  
Zoom: Jay Huebert, Carl Butz, and Betsy Elzufon,

**2) PUBLIC COMMENT OPPORTUNITY – limited to 5 minutes per speaker**

*At this time, members of the public may comment on any item not appearing on the agenda. Under state law, matters presented under this item cannot be discussed or acted upon by the Sierra Valley Groundwater Management District Board of Directors at this time.*

There was no public comment.

**3) REPORTS**

**A. Meter Technician Report – Jay Huebert**

Huebert took monitoring well readings on October 4. He reported that, over all, monitoring well levels are up compared to last month. The levels are pretty low, but it was a very dry year. He will get the municipal well totals at the end of this year and will have the final 2021 pumping total available at the next meeting.

Tracey Ferguson offered Plumas County's assistance in preparing the 2021 pumping data maps (like they did for 2017-2020).

**B. DWR Update – Debbie Spangler**

Spangler was unable to attend the meeting; no update.

**C. GSP Outreach: Technical Advisory Committee Update – Judie Talbot**

Judie Talbot, SVGMD Outreach Facilitator, shared that the TAC met on November 29 to review comments submitted on the public review GSP draft. They started with GDEs and were unable to finish, so a second TAC meeting was held on December 6 to work through the rest of the submitted comments. The next TAC meeting is scheduled for January 17 to discuss the implementation plan for 2022 and to coordinate stakeholder engagement.

#### **D. Larry Walker Associates GSP Update – Laura Foglia**

Betsy Eluzfon, LWA Associate, reported that the team is processing the public comments received and preparing their responses. They are also finalizing the GSP chapters for Board review so that the Directors can submit their comments by January 4, 2022. The full draft version will be available on January 11, the Board will vote on the final draft at the next board meeting on January 17, and the GSP must be submitted to DWR by January 31.

#### **4) DISCUSSIONS/ACTIONS**

##### **A. Plumas/Sierra County Well Permit Application Review (if any)**

There were no new well applications.

##### **B. McGinley & Associates GSP Update – Dwight Smith**

###### **1. Flow Meter Standardization - Meter Replacement Program**

Tracey Ferguson, Plumas County Planning Director, reported that the contract with H2OPro has been awarded and the contract is approved as to form by Sierra County Counsel. She will get signatures from SVGMD and H2OPro to execute the contract. The contract start date is January 1 and work will be completed by April 15, 2022. Property owners will be given a 48 hour notice and will need to give the contractor approval prior to working on their wells.

Dwight Smith, hydrogeologist with McGinley & Associates, shared that the RFP for the flow meter replacement project will be released this week so that meters can be procured in January. Contractors will have about two weeks to submit a bid.

###### **2. Inactive Wells Management Actions**

Smith had nothing new to report.

###### **3. Monitoring Networks and Management Action**

Smith will give a presentation to the Directors at the January board meeting to go over suggestions and an implementation outline for monitoring components and management actions.

##### **C. GSP Draft Chapters - Public Comment Responses**

Elzufon gave a PowerPoint presentation on GSP Public Comments. She shared 115 public comments were received. The topics of concern addressed within the comments included outreach/engagement during the GSP process; groundwater dependent ecosystems and interconnected surface water; subsidence; design and implementation of monitoring networks; data gaps; GSP implementation; demand management; GSA rate structure; water budget, climate change; tribes and disadvantaged communities; and projects and management actions.

#### **5) CORRESPONDENCE LOG**

#### **6) CONSENT CALENDAR**

*All items on the Consent Calendar shall be considered routine and will be enacted by one roll call vote. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Board member requests that specific items be removed from the Consent Calendar for separate action. Any item removed from the consent calendar will be considered after the regular business items.*

##### **A. Approval of The Minutes as Read/Distributed for 11/29/21**

##### **B. Accept finance report/cash balance for November and December**

##### **C. Approve payment of bills**

Director Roen made a motion to approve the consent calendar, Director Goicoechea 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion passed, all in favor.

#### **7) ADJOURNMENT**

Chairman Grandi adjourned the meeting at 7:07 PM