



**SAN ANTONIO BASIN GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY (SABGSA)
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

APPROVED MINUTES

Tuesday, June 16, 2026

1. **CALL TO ORDER and ROLL CALL** – The meeting was called to order by Chair Randy Sharer at 6:00pm at the Los Alamos Community Services District, located at 82 St. Joseph Street, Los Alamos, CA. Members of the public had the option to participate virtually or in-person.

Board of Directors Present: Tom Durant, Bart Haycraft, Barbara Landon, Patrice Mosby, Kenny Pata, Randy Sharer, Chris Wrather

Directors Absent: Dan Chabot

Alternates present, but not acting on behalf of a Director: None

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

3. **PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT APPEARING ON THE AGENDA**

No public comment received.

4. **CONSENT ITEMS**

- a. **Minutes from May 19, 2026, SABGSA Board Meeting**

Motion by Director Wrather, second by Director Mosby to approve the minutes of the May 19, 2026 Board meeting, as presented.

Ayes: Tom Durant, Bart Haycraft, Barbara Landon, Patrice Mosby, Kenny Pata, Randy Sharer, Chris Wrather

Nos: None; **Absent:** Dan Chabot; **Abstain:** None

- b. **Agency Finances, Budgeting, and Training**

Motion by Director Pata, second by Director Durant to approve the financial report dated May 31, 2026, as presented.

Ayes: Tom Durant, Bart Haycraft, Barbara Landon, Patrice Mosby, Kenny Pata, Randy Sharer, Chris Wrather

Nos: None; **Absent:** Dan Chabot; **Abstain:** None

5. **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

- a. **SABGSA Executive Director Updates**

- The SABGSA submitted a funding request to the SABWD on June 10, 2026 in the amount of \$15,349.80 to cover invoices received this month.
- The Q2 2026 Groundwater Level Monitoring took place on June 9-10, 2026. Five transducers were installed. The Q2 report will be posted on SABGSA's website and reviewed at the July Board meeting.
- Potential Grant Opportunities
 - Proposition 4 Watershed Resilience and Sustainable Groundwater Management (SGM) Grant Programs. The draft guidelines are anticipated to be released in Fall 2026.

- FEMA's Flood Mitigation Assistance Program - \$600 million available. There is an information webinar on June 24, 2026. Applications are due August 6, 2026.
- County of Santa Barbara – Well Meter Assistance Program (WMA) Application: SABGSA encourages submission to the County by June 30, 2026.

b. San Antonio Basin Water District (SABWD) Update

SABWD Executive Director Donna Glass reported the following.

- The SABWD Board of Directors did not meet on June 16, 2026.
- As of May 31, 2026, total assets are \$2,265,266, including \$2,239,707 in California CLASS and \$25,558 in the operating account.
- As of May 5, 2026, \$496,371 or 98% of the 2025-26 Assessments have been collected. The remaining balance is \$11,156. The unpaid assessments, including a 5% penalty, will be approved at the July Meeting for submitting to the Santa Barbara County Property Taxes.
- The SABWD approved a fund request from the SABGSA for \$15,349.80 to cover invoices received this month.
- The FY 26-27 Budget and Assessments will be approved at the July meeting.

c. Advisory Committee Updates

The Advisory Committee did not meet.

d. Board Member Updates

- None.

6. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS

a. Update Regarding Landowner Communication with SABGSA Ordinance 25-001 and Implementation of Administrative Enforcement Policy

SABGSA staff provided an update regarding landowner compliance with Ordinance 25-001, which requires all active non-de minimis wells to have a flow meter installed by April 1, 2026, and to report groundwater extraction on a biannual basis.

Staff reported a total of 286 wells are currently registered with SABGSA. Of those, 222 wells (78%) have complied with Ordinance 25-001, while 64 wells (22%) remain non-compliant. Non-compliant wells were categorized into the following three tiers:

- Tier 1 (45 Wells): Wells are registered with SABGSA, and compliance forms have been submitted; however, the wells remain non-compliant due to incomplete or incorrect forms, missing information, or discrepancies requiring follow-up. In each case, landowners have communicated with SABGSA and are working toward compliance.
- Tier 2 (19 Wells): Wells are registered with SABGSA, but the required compliance forms have not been submitted, and landowners have not responded to requests for a status update.
- Tier 3: Wells have not been registered with SABGSA, no compliance forms have been received, and landowners have not contacted SABGSA. Tier 3 currently includes 38 APNs representing 30 unique landowners. Because the wells have not been registered, the total number of wells is unknown.

Consistent with SABGSA's adopted Administrative Enforcement Policy, SABGSA legal counsel reviewed the draft Warning Letter for Tier 3 landowners. The proposed letter provides 30 days to submit the SABGSA Well Registration Form and 60 days to submit the Flow Meter Installation & Calibration Compliance Form. The warning letters will be sent by certified mail and will include an aerial map identifying the applicable APN(s) and parcel boundaries.

Staff and legal counsel also recommended using the Tier 3 Warning Letter as the basis for the Tier 2 Warning Letter, modified to reflect the well registration information already on file with SABGSA. The Tier 2 Warning Letter provides 30 days to submit an Inactive Well: Intention of Future Use Form, if applicable, and 60 days to submit the Flow Meter Installation & Calibration Compliance Form and/or a Verification of Well Abandonment Form. The Tier 2 warning letters will also be sent by certified mail and will include an aerial map identifying the applicable APN(s), parcel boundaries, and the locations of registered wells.

Motion by *Director Durant*, second by *Director Pata* to approve the Warning Letter and direct SABGSA staff and legal counsel to proceed with distribution to landowners in Tier 2 and Tier 3.

Ayes: Tom Durant, Bart Haycraft, Barbara Landon, Patrice Mosby, Kenny Pata, Randy Sharer, Chris Wrather

Nos: None; **Absent:** Dan Chabot; **Abstain:** None

b. Consider Adoption of SABGSA Priorities and Budget for Fiscal Year 2026-27

At the May 19, 2026 Board meeting, SABGSA staff presented the draft Fiscal Year 2026–27 priorities and proposed budget, reviewing each budget line item in detail. The proposed budget, totaling \$550,000, along with all supporting documentation, was subsequently posted on SABGSA's website for public review and comment. Staff reported that no revisions had been made to the proposed budget since its presentation at the May meeting.

Motion by *Director Wrather*, second by *Director Mosby* to adopt the priorities and budget for fiscal year 2026-27, totaling \$550,000, as presented.

Ayes: Tom Durant, Bart Haycraft, Barbara Landon, Patrice Mosby, Kenny Pata, Randy Sharer, Chris Wrather

Nos: None; **Absent:** Dan Chabot; **Abstain:** None

c. Consider a Proposal from GSI Water Solutions, Inc. to Prepare and Submit the GSP 5-Year Periodic Evaluation

Michael McAlpin of GSI Water Solutions, Inc. reviewed the scope of work and associated fees for preparing and submitting the Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) Periodic Evaluation for the San Antonio Creek Valley Groundwater Basin in accordance with the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA). The Periodic Evaluation is due to the California Department of Water Resources no later than January 21, 2027.

Staff noted that the proposed fees are included within SABGSA's approved Fiscal Year 2026–27 budget under Line Item 9b.

Motion by *Director Durant*, second by *Director Haycraft* to approve the proposal from GSI Water Solutions, Inc., dated June 10, 2026, in the amount of \$120,000 to prepare the GSP 5-Year Periodic Evaluation, as presented.

Ayes: Tom Durant, Bart Haycraft, Barbara Landon, Patrice Mosby, Kenny Pata, Randy Sharer, Chris Wrather

Nos: None; **Absent:** Dan Chabot; **Abstain:** None

7. NEXT MEETING: July 21, 2026 at 6pm at the Los Alamos Community Services District.

8. ADJOURN – 6:32pm