



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

APPROVED MINUTES

Tuesday, June 20, 2023

- 1. CALL TO ORDER and ROLL CALL** – The meeting was called to order by President 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, Juan Gomez, Alternate Bart Haycraft, Kevin Merrill, Patrice Mosby, Randy Sharer, Chris Wrather

Alternates present, but not acting on behalf of a Director: Jim Stollberg

Directors Absent: Dan Chabot, Kenny Pata

- 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

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

No public comments received.

- 4. CONSENT ITEMS**

- a. Approve Minutes from May 16, 2023, SABGSA Board Meeting**

Motion by Director Durant, second by Director Mosby to approve the minutes of the May 16, 2023 Board meeting, as presented.

Ayes: Tom Durant, Juan Gomez, Alternate Bart Haycraft, Kevin Merrill, Patrice Mosby, Randy Sharer, Chris Wrather

Nos: None; **Absent:** Dan Chabot, Kenny Pata; **Abstain:** None.

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

Motion by Director Merrill, second by Director Wrather to approve the financial report dated May 31, 2023, as presented.

Ayes: Tom Durant, Juan Gomez, Alternate Bart Haycraft, Kevin Merrill, Patrice Mosby, Randy Sharer, Chris Wrather

Nos: None; **Absent:** Dan Chabot, Kenny Pata; **Abstain:** None.

- 6. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

- a. Executive Director Updates**

- Q2 Groundwater Level Monitoring: The Q2 2023 monitoring event is underway (June 20-21, 2023). The vegetation along the access trails to wells near Barks Slough is overgrown and needs to be trimmed. A proposal for vegetation trimming will be presented to the Board at the July 18, 2023 meeting.
- SABGSA Grant Application to DWR for SGMA Implementation – Round 2 Funding: DWR's recommended award list was published on May 19, 2023. SABGSA's application was not recommended for approval.
- Well Registration Program: No well registration forms were received this month. The Board offered to assist with contacting landowners that have not submitted well

registration forms.

- Metering Framework: The Ad Hoc Committee will present the first draft of the conceptual framework for the Metering Program at the July 18, 2023 Board meeting.

b. San Antonio Basin Water District Update

Executive Director Donna Glass reported that the San Antonio Basin Water District (SABWD) Board of Directors met on June 20, 2023.

- The draft budget for FY 2023-24 and proposed five-year budget was reviewed. The final budget will be presented for approval on July 18, 2023.
- Following Board approval on May 16, 2023, the SABWD invested \$1 million in the CA CLASS Fund. California Class is a Joint Powers Authority providing public agencies with an additional diversification option for their daily liquidity and strategic reserve investments. The average monthly yield is 5.1%.
- The SABWD has received the Change Order Requests for the 2023-24 Assessment Roll and has added five irrigated acres. The 2023-24 Assessments will be levied at the July 18, 2023 Board meeting.
- The SABWD has collected 94% of the 2022-23 Assessments. The Board passed a resolution authorizing the collection of delinquent assessments by County tax collectors. The amount to be submitted to for the Santa Barbara County Tax Roll is \$47,489.72 which includes a 5% delinquency fee.

c. Advisory Committee Updates

- The Advisory Committee did not meet in June 2023.

d. Board Member Updates

- Director Merrill is the President of the Board of Central Coast Water Quality Preservation, Inc. (Preservation, Inc.). Preservation, Inc. is recognized by the State and Regional Water Quality Control Boards as a Third Party Group to assist the Central Coast agriculture industry in complying with the Irrigated Lands Regulatory Program (ILP). They assist with surface water and groundwater level monitoring and trend reporting. Preservation, Inc. would like to coordinate and partner with local GSA's and will be contacting the SABGSA.

7. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS

a. SABGSA Budget Priorities for Fiscal Year 2023-24

SABGSA Executive Director Stephanie Bertoux reviewed the budget and priorities for FY 2023-24. Expenditures totaled \$548,000 with the following breakdown by major category.

- Annual Expenses (includes GSP Annual Report): \$165,500 – 30%
- GSP Implementation / PMAs: \$137,500 – 25%
- Monitoring Network & Maintenance: \$90,000 – 17%
- On-Call Hydrogeological Services: \$55,000 – 10%
- GSP Corrective Action: \$50,000 – 9%
- Operational contingency: \$50,000 – 9%

The SABGSA's financial report dated May 31, 2023, shows net income of \$67,062.67 for FY 2022-23. After paying invoices received in June 2023, it is anticipated that the SABGSA will have roughly \$50,000 in carry over funds from the FY 2022-23 budget to be applied to the FY 2023-24 budget. Therefore, the total fund request to the SABWD for FY 2023-24 will not exceed \$498,000. Fund requests are submitted to the SABWD on an as needed basis throughout the year.

Motion by *Director Durant*, second by *Director Wrather* to approve the SABGSA budget for FY 2023-24 totaling \$548,000, as presented, with a total fund request to the San Antonio Basin Water District not to exceed \$498,000 for FY 2023-24.

Ayes: Tom Durant, Juan Gomez, Alternate Bart Haycraft, Kevin Merrill, Patrice Mosby, Randy Sharer, Chris Wrather

Nos: None; **Absent:** Dan Chabot, Kenny Pata; **Abstain:** None.

8. NEXT MEETING: July 18, 2023, at 6pm at the Los Alamos Community Services District.

9. ADJOURN – 7:41pm

Please contact Stephanie Bertoux at admin@sanantoniobasingsa.org with any questions.