



SAN ANTONIO BASIN GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the San Antonio Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency (“Agency” or “SABGSA”) Board of Directors (“Board”) will hold a regularly scheduled **Board Meeting** at **6:00 P.M.** on **Tuesday, April 21, 2026** at the **Los Alamos Community Services District** located at **82 St. Joseph Street, Los Alamos, CA 93440**. Virtual options are available for public participation.¹

Alternate Teleconference Location: Director Haycraft will participate in the meeting via video conference from 37300 Doud Road, Soledad, CA 93960. This location is open to the public and will be accessible during the meeting.

Join Zoom Meeting:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/89064309004?pwd=aMnkPYbJ0QBnSNS3syLNhHW1BzpbQu.1>

Meeting ID: 890 6430 9004 Passcode: 497436

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SAN ANTONIO BASIN GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY (SABGSA)

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING AGENDA

Tuesday, April 21, 2026

1. CALL TO ORDER and ROLL CALL

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT APPEARING ON THE AGENDA

The Board will receive public comments on items not appearing on the agenda and within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Agency. The Board will not enter into a detailed discussion, answer questions, or take any action on any items presented during public comments. At the Board’s discretion, any issue raised during Public Comment may be referred to the Executive Director or other staff for administrative action or scheduled on a subsequent agenda for discussion. Persons wishing to speak on specific agenda items should do so at the time specified for those items. The presiding Chair shall limit public comments to no more than three minutes.

4. CONSENT ITEMS

a. Approve Minutes from March 17, 2026, Regular Meeting

b. Agency Finances, Budget, and Training

- i. The Board will receive a report from the accountant regarding finances and expenses for March 2026.
- ii. The Board will receive a report regarding training.

5. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

a. Executive Director Update

- Update on activities performed by the Executive Director

b. San Antonio Basin Water District Update

- Update on San Antonio Basin Water District activities

¹ SABGSA will make reasonable efforts to make the meeting accessible virtually; however, if one of the virtual options are unavailable due to technological issues, you are invited to take advantage of the other options, including in-person attendance.

c. Advisory Committee Updates

- Update on Advisory Committee activities

d. Board Member Updates

- Board members will provide any updates relevant to SABGSA

6. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS

a. Administrative Enforcement Policy and Procedures for SABGSA's Rules & Regulations

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

SABGSA's legal counsel will review SABGSA's Administration Enforcement Policy, adopted April 15, 2025, regarding penalties and other enforcement tools for the SABGSA's Rules and Regulations. The Board may take action and/or provide specific direction to SABGSA staff and/or SABGSA's legal counsel related to this item.

b. Q1 2026 Quarterly Groundwater Level Monitoring Report

The SABGSA has received the Q1 2026 Quarterly Groundwater Level Monitoring Report for the San Antonio Creek Valley Groundwater Basin. The Board of Directors will review and discuss the report and may take action and/or provide specific direction to SABGSA staff and/or GSI Water Solutions related to this item.

7. ADJOURN

NEXT MEETING: May 19, 2026 at 6pm



SAN ANTONIO BASIN GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY (SABGSA)
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
UNAPPROVED MINUTES
Tuesday, March 17, 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 February 17, 2026, SABGSA Board Meeting**

Motion by Director Pata, second by Director Durant to approve the minutes of the February 17, 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 Wrather, second by Director Pata to approve the financial report dated February 28, 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 March 10, 2026 in the amount of \$66,799.22 to cover invoices received this month.
- The Q1 2026 Groundwater Level Monitoring event is scheduled to take place March 17-18, 2026.
- Board Members and Alternates are required to file Form 700 with both the County and the FPPC. The SABGSA has a portal set up with both agencies and each board member has an account. The SABGSA will track on Board Training/Certifications sheet.
- County of Santa Barbara – Well Meter Assistance Program (WMAAP) Application: A complete application must include all supporting documents:

- Complete WMAP Application
- Calibration documentation from the manufacturer
- Original receipt (or copy) showing the meter serial number and purchase cost
- Photo(s) of the meter showing the installation, serial number, make and model
- Solomon Hills Specific Plan Project – Notice of Preparation of EIR:
 - Public Environmental Scoping Meeting – March 25, 2026 at 5:30pm at the Betteravia Government Center in Santa Maria
 - Water Supply Assessment is part of the EIR scope
 - Currently, there are no plans to extract groundwater from the San Antonio Basin
 - SABGSA will continue to monitor

b. San Antonio Basin Water District (SABWD) Update

SABWD Executive Director Donna Glass reported the following.

- The SABWD Board of Directors did not meet in March 2026.
- As of February 28, 2026, total assets are \$2,226,217, including \$2,387,088 in California CLASS and \$39,129 in the operating account.
- As of February 12, 2026, \$484,127 or 95% of the 2025-26 Assessments have been collected. The remaining balance is \$23,400. Assessments became delinquent on February 2, 2026.
- The SABWD approved a fund request from the SABGSA for \$66,799.22 to cover monthly invoices.

c. Advisory Committee Updates

- The Advisory Committee did not meet.

d. Board Member Updates

- None.

6. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS

a. Submission of the Groundwater Sustainability Plan Annual Report for Water Year 2025 to the California Department of Water Resources (DWR)

At the February 17, 2026 Board meeting, Mike McAlpin of GSI Water Solutions, Inc. presented the first draft of the GSP Annual Report for Water Year 2025. The Annual Report was subsequently posted on SABGSA’s website for public review and comment. No public comments were received, and no revisions have been made to the Annual Report since the February Board meeting.

Motion by Director Durant, second by Director Mosby to approve the GSP Annual Report for Water Year 2025, as presented, and direct GSI Water Solutions, Inc. to submit the Annual Report to the Department of Water Resources via the SGMA portal prior to the April 1, 2026 deadline.

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

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

b. Review SABGSA Communications Plan Regarding Implementation of SABGSA’s Metering and Groundwater Extraction Reporting Requirements

SABGSA Staff presented the draft instructional guide “How To Read Your Flow Meter and Report Groundwater Extraction”. The Board did not propose any edits to the guide. The Board directed SABGSA Staff to proceed with posting the guide on SABGSA’s website and distributing it to landowners and well operators via email.

c. Discussion of What’s to Come in Q2 2026 – SABGSA Milestones

SABGSA staff provided the Board with a preview of key upcoming activities and decisions for Q2

2026 and highlighted the following.

- April Board Meeting: Update on Metering Compliance Forms Received - Ordinance 25-001; Review SABGSA Administrative Enforcement Policy with direction to SABGSA Staff and SABGSA Legal Counsel; Q1 2026 Groundwater Level Monitoring Report and Trend Monitoring.
- May Board Meeting: Review work plan and draft correspondence for implementation of SABGSA Administrative Enforcement Policy regarding Ordinance 25-001; Review first draft of SABGSA budget and priorities for FY 26-27.
- June Board Meeting: Approve SABGSA budget and priorities for FY 26-27; Discuss GSP 5-Year Periodic Evaluation including a proposal from GSI Water Solutions; Update on implementation of SABGSA Administrative Enforcement Policy regarding Ordinance 25-001.

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

8. ADJOURN – 6:35pm

San Antonio Basin GSA
Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual
July 2025 through March 2026

75% of the year has elapsed	<u>Jul '25 - Mar 26</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>\$ Over Budget</u>	<u>% of Budget</u>
Ordinary Income/Expense				
Expense				
Administration and Operation				
01Administrative Exp/Office Ex	45,106.14	75,900.00	-30,793.86	59.43%
02-Accountant	6,725.00	9,000.00	-2,275.00	74.72%
03-Comm Eng Grant Wrtnng NonGSP	0.00	25,000.00	-25,000.00	0.0%
04-Monitoring	68,445.35	110,000.00	-41,554.65	62.22%
05-Legal Counsel	5,685.50	35,000.00	-29,314.50	16.24%
06-Insurance	0.00	1,800.00	-1,800.00	0.0%
07-Audit Fees	2,100.00	4,000.00	-1,900.00	52.5%
09-GSP Related Costs-Annual Rep	52,819.80	80,000.00	-27,180.20	66.03%
10-GSP Implementation / PMAs	27,480.54	165,000.00	-137,519.46	16.66%
Total Administration and Operation	<u>208,362.33</u>	<u>505,700.00</u>	<u>-297,337.67</u>	<u>41.2%</u>
Total Expense	<u>208,362.33</u>	<u>505,700.00</u>	<u>-297,337.67</u>	<u>41.2%</u>
Net Ordinary Income	-208,362.33	-505,700.00	297,337.67	41.2%
Other Income/Expense				
Other Income				
11 Operating Transfers	210,408.69	550,000.00	-339,591.31	38.26%
Total Other Income	<u>210,408.69</u>	<u>550,000.00</u>	<u>-339,591.31</u>	<u>38.26%</u>
Other Expense				
Contingency (10%)	0.00	44,300.00	-44,300.00	0.0%
Total Other Expense	<u>0.00</u>	<u>44,300.00</u>	<u>-44,300.00</u>	<u>0.0%</u>
Net Other Income	<u>210,408.69</u>	<u>505,700.00</u>	<u>-295,291.31</u>	<u>41.61%</u>
Net Income	<u><u>2,046.36</u></u>	<u><u>0.00</u></u>	<u><u>2,046.36</u></u>	<u><u>100.0%</u></u>

San Antonio Basin GSA

Balance Sheet

As of March 31, 2026

Mar 31, 26

ASSETS

Current Assets

Checking/Savings

Community Bank of SM -ACCT 9006 25,000.00

Total Checking/Savings 25,000.00

Other Current Assets

Prepaid Insurance 1,755.00

Total Other Current Assets 1,755.00

Total Current Assets 26,755.00

TOTAL ASSETS 26,755.00

LIABILITIES & EQUITY

Equity

Retained Earnings 24,708.64

Net Income 2,046.36

Total Equity 26,755.00

TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY 26,755.00

San Antonio Basin GSA Expenses by Vendor Detail

March 2026

	Type	Date	Num	Account	Split	Amount
BERTOUX & COMPANY						
	Check	03/11/2026	3275	01Administrative Exp/Office Ex	Community Bank of SM -ACCT 9006	5,625.00
Total BERTOUX & COMPANY						5,625.00
Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck						
	Check	03/11/2026	3276	05-Legal Counsel	Community Bank of SM -ACCT 9006	1,035.00
Total Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck						1,035.00
Carrie Troup, C.P.A.						
	Check	03/11/2026	3284	02-Accountant	Community Bank of SM -ACCT 9006	750.00
Total Carrie Troup, C.P.A.						750.00
GSI WATER SOLUTIONS, INC.						
	Check	03/11/2026	3277	10-GSP Implementation / PMAs	Community Bank of SM -ACCT 9006	1,247.50
	Check	03/11/2026	3278	10-GSP Implementation / PMAs	Community Bank of SM -ACCT 9006	973.75
	Check	03/11/2026	3279	09-GSP Related Costs-Annual Rep	Community Bank of SM -ACCT 9006	19,108.75
	Check	03/11/2026	3280	09-GSP Related Costs-Annual Rep	Community Bank of SM -ACCT 9006	25,273.55
	Check	03/11/2026	3281	04-Monitoring	Community Bank of SM -ACCT 9006	9,975.53
	Check	03/11/2026	3282	04-Monitoring	Community Bank of SM -ACCT 9006	1,995.14
Total GSI WATER SOLUTIONS, INC.						58,574.22
Los Alamos CSD						
	Check	03/11/2026	3283	01Administrative Exp/Office Ex	Community Bank of SM -ACCT 9006	200.00
Total Los Alamos CSD						200.00
WALLACE GROUP						
	Check	03/11/2026	3285	10-GSP Implementation / PMAs	Community Bank of SM -ACCT 9006	615.00
Total WALLACE GROUP						615.00
TOTAL						66,799.22

RESOLUTION NO. 25-001

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SAN ANTONIO BASIN GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY (SABGSA) APPROVING AN ADMINISTRATIVE POLICY CONCERNING PENALTIES AND ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS

WHEREAS, the San Antonio Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency (“SABGSA”) was formed pursuant to a joint exercise of powers agency (“JPA”) executed on May 16, 2017 between the Cachuma Resource Conservation District and the Los Alamos Community Services District;

WHEREAS, the SABGSA decided to become the exclusive Groundwater Sustainability Agency (“GSA”) for the San Antonio Creek Valley Basin (“Basin”) on June 14, 2017;

WHEREAS, the San Antonio Basin Water District replaced the Cachuma Resource Conservation District as a member of the JPA on May 19, 2020;

WHEREAS, in compliance with the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (“SGMA”), on December 7, 2021, the SABGSA adopted the San Antonio Basin Groundwater Sustainability Plan (“Plan”) that establishes the SABGSA’s groundwater management program and sustainability goal for the Basin;

WHEREAS, SGMA authorizes a local GSA to manage a groundwater basin in a sustainable manner pursuant to its groundwater sustainability plan;

WHEREAS, to assist in its management, Water Code Section 10725.2 authorizes GSAs, such as the SABGSA, to adopt rules, regulations, ordinances, and resolutions for the purpose of complying with SGMA and perform any act necessary or proper to carry out the purposes of SGMA;

WHEREAS, to effectively implement sustainable groundwater management with the Basin, the SABGSA adopted Ordinance No. 22-001 establishing Rules and Regulations (“Regulations”) of the SABGSA which have been amended and supplemented from time to time, including by Ordinance No. 25-001, establishing a Metering and Groundwater Reporting program;

WHEREAS, the Regulations contain rules, regulations and other requirements that are necessary and proper for the SABGSA to implement its Plan to achieve sustainable groundwater management for the Basin under SGMA;

WHEREAS, the SABGSA developed the Regulations with the goal of establishing effective enforcement mechanisms to ensure compliance with the Regulations while also providing due process protections for persons subject to the Regulations;

WHEREAS, pursuant to SGMA, SABGSA may impose civil penalties and seek other remedies under applicable law;

WHEREAS, on March 18, 2025, the SABGSA Board of Directors reviewed and provided comment on a draft of an administrative policy concerning penalties and protocols for the enforcement of the Regulations (“Administrative Enforcement Policy”); and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors now desires to adopt the Administrative Enforcement Policy that is intended to provide meaningful deterrence to violations of the Regulations and to establish a transparent enforcement framework for achieving SABGSA’s groundwater management program and sustainability goal for the Basin.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

SECTION 1. The above recitals are true and correct, and incorporated herein by reference.

SECTION 2. The Board of Directors of the SABGSA hereby adopts the Administrative Enforcement Policy attached hereto as Exhibit A.

SECTION 3. Nothing in the Administrative Enforcement Policy in any way restricts or reduces existing enforcement tools and procedures available to SABGSA. Rather, this Administrative Enforcement Policy builds on SABGSA’s existing enforcement and regulatory tools and processes, and also incorporates best practices and legal tools, with the goal of better serving SABGSA landowners through nimble, meaningful, and transparent enforcement of SABGSA’s Regulations.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing Resolution was adopted by the Board of Directors of the San Antonio Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency at a meeting thereof held on the 15th day of April 2025, by the following vote of the members thereof:

AYE: 8
ABSTAIN: 0
NO: 0


Stephanie Bertoux, Secretary

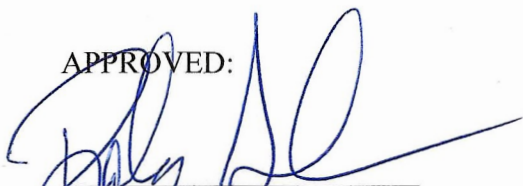
APPROVED:

Randy Sharer, Chair

EXHIBIT A

SABGSA Administrative Enforcement Policy Well Registration, Metering, and Reporting Requirements

I. INTRODUCTION & PURPOSE

San Antonio Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency's (SABGSA) Rules and Regulations implement the San Antonio Basin Groundwater Sustainability Plan (Plan) by imposing requirements on Property Owners and/or Operators that include, but are not limited to, well registration (Section 2), well metering (Section 3.B-D), and reporting of meter readings (Section 3.G).¹ The SABGSA endeavors to work collaboratively with Property Owners and/or Operators. However, the Board recognizes that enforcement of the SABGSA Rules and Regulations is necessary to implement the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (Wat. Code, § 10720 et seq., SGMA) and SABGSA Plan. The following Administrative Enforcement Policy (Policy) outlines the SABGSA enforcement process in a manner that efficiently and effectively implements sustainable groundwater management within the San Antonio Creek Valley Basin.

II. GENERAL ENFORCEMENT AUTHORITY

SGMA empowers the SABGSA with the authority to adopt and enforce rules and regulations necessary and appropriate to implement the SABGSA Plan. (See Water Code, § 10725 et seq.) The authority granted by SGMA is in addition to the authority granted to San Antonio Basin Water District and Los Alamos Community Services District under their enabling statutes. (Water Code, § 10725(a).)

Pursuant to SGMA, the SABGSA may impose penalties in accordance with California Water Code section 10732(a)(2), which allows for a civil penalty of at most one thousand dollars (\$1,000) per violation and an additional penalty of one hundred dollars (\$100) for each additional day the violation continues. (Water Code § 10732(a)(2).) In addition, the SABGSA may impose a penalty of five hundred dollars (\$500) per acre-foot extracted in excess of the amount that person is authorized to extract. (Water Code, § 10732(a)(1).) The SABGSA has full latitude to impose the maximum penalties allowed under California Water Code section 10732. The SABGSA also may initiate legal action against a Property Owner and/or Operator that violates the SABGSA Rules and Regulations or the Plan. In pursuing such legal action, the SABGSA may seek remedies under applicable law, including but not limited to public and private nuisance and Article X, Section 2 of the California Constitution.

III. SABGSA ENFORCEMENT PROCESS

- 1. Investigation:** If SABGSA has cause to believe that a Property Owner and/or Operator is in violation of the Rules and Regulations, SABGSA may request additional information from the Property Owner and/or Operator, and/or conduct an investigation pursuant to Water Code section 10725.4.

¹ Capitalized terms not defined herein have the same meaning as provided in the SABGSA Rules and Regulations.

- a. Inspection Warrant.** If the Property Owner and/or Operator refuses to voluntarily comply with the SABGSA's request for additional information or request to investigate, the SABGSA may seek an inspection warrant in accordance with Water Code section 10725.4(c) and its authority under Water Code section 35404.
- 2. Warning Letter:** In the event the situation does not resolve itself to SABGSA's satisfaction, or the potential violation is a failure to register a well under Section 2 of the Rules and Regulations, SABGSA may issue a written "Warning Letter."
 - a.** A Warning Letter may include, among other things: (1) the nature and extent of the violation; (2) the steps that the entity must take in order to come into compliance; (3) a specific compliance deadline ; (4) a summary of the potential penalties; (5) SABGSA staff contact information for assistance with resolving the violation; and (6) a warning that SABGSA reserves the right to utilize additional judicial or non-judicial methods to ensure compliance. Deadlines will be set based on a reasonable estimate of the time necessary to resolve the violation.
 - b. Warning Letters for Well Registration.** The SABGSA need not conduct an investigation prior to enforcement of Section 2 of the Rules and Regulation and may immediately issue a Warning Letter for the failure to register a well. Once a Warning Letter is sent for failure to register a well, a Property Owner and/or Operator has 30 days, or another period specified in the Warning Letter, to comply before further action may be taken.
- 3. Notice of Violation:** If a violation persists following issuance of a Warning Letter, a written Notice of Violation will be issued for any violation of the Rules and Regulations. The Notice of Violation will include, among other things: (1) the nature and extent of the violation; (2) the penalties imposed; (3) the deadline to pay applicable penalties; and (4) a warning that the SABGSA reserves the right to utilize additional judicial or non-judicial methods to receive payment of applicable penalties and ensure compliance with the Rules and Regulation. Such methods may include, but are not limited to, withholding or reducing the award of future groundwater allocations, exercising lien authority, or utilizing any other remedy available to SABGSA under SGMA.
- 4. Opportunity to Appeal:** A Property Owner and/or Operator may appeal a Notice of Violation and/or fine by filing an appeal with SABGSA's Board within 30 calendar days of receipt of the Notice of Violation in accordance with Section 11 of the Rules and Regulations.
- 5. Penalties Issued.** Pursuant to California Water Code section 10732, SABGSA may impose a civil penalty for violation of the Rules and Regulations in the following amounts:
 - a.** Civil penalty of up to \$1,000, plus an additional \$100 for each additional day a violation continues if Property Owner and/or Operator fails to comply within 30 days of Notice of Violation.
 - b.** Civil penalty of up to \$500 per acre-foot extracted in excess of the amount that person is authorized to extract in violation of the Rules and Regulations. (Water Code, § 10732(a)(1).)

- 6. Civil Suit.** If SABGSA cannot obtain compliance through the process above, SABGSA Board reserves the right to seek civil penalties and remedies available at law for violations of the Rules and Regulations.

IV. SABGSA DISCRETION

The remedies identified in this enforcement policy are not intended to be exclusive. Any other remedy available to SABGSA in law or equity may be employed at the discretion of SABGSA to enforce the SABGSA Rules and Regulations and ensure compliance with SGMA and the Plan. The SABGSA retains full discretion to deviate from the enforcement process outlined in the Policy to obtain compliance with the SABGSA Rules and Regulations in accordance with applicable law.



TECHNICAL MEMORANDUM

San Antonio Creek Valley Groundwater Basin Quarterly Groundwater Level Monitoring – First Quarter 2026

To: Ms. Stephanie Bertoux, Executive Director,
San Antonio Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency

From: Michael McAlpin, PG and David O'Rourke, PG, CHg, PE, GSI Water Solutions, Inc.

Attachments: Tables:
Table 1. First Quarter 2026 Groundwater Level Measurements – Depth to Water
Table 2. Fourth Quarter 2026 Groundwater Level Measurements – Groundwater Elevation

Figures:
Figure 1. Wells Included in the San Antonio Creek Valley Groundwater Basin Groundwater Monitoring Network

Date: March 24, 2026

Introduction

On behalf of the San Antonio Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency (SABGSA), GSI Water Solutions, Inc. (GSI) completed the first quarter 2026 (1Q2026) San Antonio Creek Valley Groundwater Basin (Basin) groundwater level monitoring event (monitoring event) on March 17th and 18th, 2026. Prior to each quarterly monitoring event, GSI contacts well owners/property managers to coordinate access to the wells and request that wells be shut off for at least 8 hours before the monitoring event to facilitate measurement of static groundwater levels. Well owners/property managers were notified on March 3rd, 2026.

GSI successfully measured depth to groundwater in 37 of the 40 wells that have access agreements in place during the 1Q2026 monitoring event. Tables 1 and 2 provide the status of the current well access agreements, and Figure 1 displays the well locations. The following text and tables summarize the results of the 1Q2026 monitoring event.

1Q2026 Groundwater Level Monitoring Event Summary

The attached Tables 1 and 2 summarize the results of the 1Q2026 monitoring event for the wells in the Basin Groundwater Level Monitoring Network (Monitoring Network). The tables include the status of the current well access agreements, depth to groundwater measurements (Table 1), and calculated groundwater elevations (Table 2) for all wells that were able to be accessed during the monitoring event. Wells identified as a Representative Monitoring Site (RMS) in the Basin's Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) are identified in Table 2 and denoted with their respective sustainable management criteria (i.e., minimum threshold and measurable objective). The following is a summary of observations from the 1Q2026 monitoring event:

- The three wells with active well access agreements that did not have a groundwater level measurement collected during the 1Q2026 monitoring event were 2N1, Stephen's Well, and Char 1.

- Premiere Coastal Vineyards (PCV) met with GSI at 2N1 during the 2Q2025 monitoring event to confirm the access port through which to deploy the water level sounding device. However, a cable had been deployed through the access port. Consequently, there was not enough clearance for the water level sounding probe to be deployed through the access port with the cable in place. During 3Q2025, on-site PCV staff attempted to remove the cable, but were unsuccessful due to the risk of damage to the well. PCV staff were unable to remedy the access port clearance limitation prior to the 4Q2025 monitoring event, and informed GSI that the cable will remain in the well. A water level measurement at well 2N1 was last recorded during the 1Q2024 monitoring event. If the access port clearance limitation is unable to be resolved, 2N1 may be removed from the Basin Monitoring Network.

Mesa Vineyard, 2N1, and Well 4 are all located on the PCV property, are completed to similar depths, are screened at similar depth intervals, and historically have similar water levels. None of these wells have been identified as a RMS. Maintenance of Mesa Vineyard and 2N1 has been recommended in preceding quarterly reporting to remove rusty material and oil from the wells' water column. The water level reading device becomes coated in either rust or oil when lowered into the well, occasionally blocking the sensor and preventing an accurate water level measurement. Well 4 is the newest well on the property, constructed in 2023. Removal of 2N1 from the Basin Monitoring Network would not result in a data gap. Water levels measured in Well 4 are representative of the area. Based on the same rationale, the SABGSA may consider removing Mesa Vineyard from the Basin Monitoring Network if the rusty material and oil is unable to be removed from the well.

- A manual groundwater level measurement was not taken at Stephen's due to the well not being turn off for at least 8 hours prior to GSI accessing the well. The well owner informed GSI the well needed to remain on to provide water for livestock during the heat wave. Monitoring is expected to resume in 2Q2026.
- A manual groundwater level measurement was not taken at well Char 1 because the well owner was unable to be available to provide GSI access to the well. Monitoring is expected to resume in 2Q2026.
- The pressure transducer (transducer) that records continuous water level measurements at well 16C4 was not functioning during the 4Q2025 monitoring event. GSI replaced the transducer within the existing project budget during the 1Q2026 monitoring event after troubleshooting the issue with the manufacturer.
- The transducer at well 13C1 was removed by the well owner prior to the 1Q2026 monitoring event. The well owner informed GSI that the well is currently undergoing repair. GSI removed the transducer from the well site and will attempt to re-deploy the transducer during the 2Q2026 monitoring event if repairs are completed.
- Vegetation trimming of access routes to all wells located in the Barka Slough area was performed on January 29th, 2026, prior to the 1Q2026 monitoring event. Trimming is recommended to be completed again following the end of bird nesting season in September.
- Wells without current well access agreements, including RMS wells, are being evaluated for replacement using existing Monitoring Network wells and potential candidate wells identified using the data collected from the SABGSA Well Registration Program.

Recommended Action Items

- Perform a RPE Survey for the wells in the Monitoring Network in accordance with the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) well elevation accuracy requirements.

FIGURE 1
Wells Included in the
San Antonio Creek Valley
Groundwater Basin
Groundwater Level Monitoring
Network

San Antonio Creek Valley
 Groundwater Basin Quarterly
 Groundwater Level Monitoring

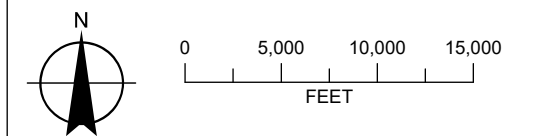
First Quarter 2026

LEGEND

- Representative Well
- All Other Features**
- San Antonio Creek Valley Groundwater Basin
- City Boundary
- Major Road
- ~ San Antonio Creek or Tributary
- Wells (by screened aquifer)**
- Screened Aquifer**
- Paso Robles Formation
- Careaga Sand

NOTES

1. SACR 1 and 14L1 are screened in the Careaga Sand.
2. White Hawk 4 was destroyed in December 2023. Replacement well White Hawk 4a was constructed and completed in June 2024.



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 Data Sources: USGS, ESRI, DWR,
 Maxar Imagery (4/10/2024)

