



Stanislaus & Tuolumne Rivers Groundwater Basin Association
Groundwater Sustainability Agency
1231 11th Street | Modesto, CA 95354
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STRGBA GSA AGENDA

January 11, 2023 (1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.)

Offering In-person meeting at Oakdale Irrigation District

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82844864384>

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1. Call to Order/Welcome and Introductions
(Four agencies needed for a quorum)
2. Business from the Public
Who: Public
Expected Outcome: Interested persons are welcome to introduce any topic within the Agency's jurisdiction. Matters presented under this heading may be discussed but no action will be taken by the Agency at this meeting.
3. Topic: Approve 11/9/22 Meeting Minutes [Action Item]
Who: Eric Thorburn, Committee
Expected Outcome: Approval
4. Topic: East Modesto Subbasin Workshop
Who: Todd Groundwater, Committee
Expected Outcome: Discussion
5. Topic: Monitoring Wells – Transfer of Responsibility
Who: Todd Groundwater, Committee
Expected Outcome: Discussion
6. Next Meeting
February 8, 2023 at 1:30 p.m. via Zoom
**In-person offered at Oakdale Irrigation District* 1205 E. F Street, Oakdale*
7. Items too late for the agenda



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MEETING MINUTES

November 9, 2022 (1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.)

The meeting was called to order at 1:30 p.m.

1. Welcome and Introductions

The following members of the Stanislaus and Tuolumne Rivers Groundwater Basin Association Groundwater Sustainability Agency (STRGBA GSA) attended via Zoom:

Modesto Irrigation District (MID): Gordon Enas
City of Waterford: Mike Pitcock
Oakdale Irrigation District: Eric Thorburn
City of Modesto: Miguel Alvarez
City of Oakdale: Michael Renfrow

Other Attendees:

Phyllis Stanin, Todd Groundwater	Samantha Wookey
Liz Elliott, Todd Groundwater	Stacy Henderson
Craig Moyle	Doug Maner
Emily Sheldon	Jesse Franco
John Mauterer	Juan Ochoa
Julia Stornetta	Kelly Doyle
Peter Drekmeier	

2. Business from the Public

N/A

3. Remote Teleconferencing Participation [Action item]

Renfrow moved, 2nd by Enas, to approve Remote Teleconferencing Participation. Motion carried.

- Henderson asked if we would still be able to host Zoom meetings when in-person meetings are required. Enas stated the meetings will continue to have Zoom capability.



- 4. Approve 10/12/2022 Meeting Minutes [Action item]**
Renfrow moved, 2nd by Pitcock, to approve 10/12/22 meeting minutes as corrected. Motion carried.
- 5. Letter of Support for Oakdale Irrigation District [Action item]**
Enas moved, 2nd by Renfrow to approve the 2022 for the Letter of Support for Oakdale Irrigation District. Motion carried.
- 6. Groundwater Consultant Contract RFP/RFQ**
Thorburn discussed with the group about City of Modesto's requirement to renew the contract to keep Todd Groundwater as the consultant but remain competitive as well. Alvarez discussed the City of Modesto's RFP/RFQ process and timeline.
- 7. Fall 2022 Monitoring Event**
Elliot reported that Woodard & Curran is developing templates for the water supply and well monitoring level data for 2022. Also, the GSA member agencies collected water level data at the end of October 2022.
- 8. Dry Well Update**
Elliot reported they have been tracking dry wells in the Modesto Subbasin using DWR's website. 12 dry wells were reported and 5 of those had been resolved. The dry well information will be included in the Annual Report.
- 9. Next Meeting**
December 14, 2022, at 1:30 via Zoom
- 10. Items too late for the agenda**
N/A



Modesto Subbasin Landowner Workshop

Wednesday January 25, 2023 - 5:00 – 6:30 pm

Participate in-person: The event will be held in-person at the Stanislaus County Farm Bureau Located at 1201 L St, Modesto, CA 95354

Options for Remote Participation: The event will be held as a hybrid (in-person and online) meeting, however in-person participation is highly encouraged. For those that cannot attend in-person, an online meeting option is available via the Zoom link below. We highly encourage online participants to join the Zoom link early so the workshop can begin promptly on time. If you are joining online, please register in advance.

Join using the Zoom link: <https://bit.ly/Landowner-Event>

Join the Zoom by audio only: Call +1 669 444 9171 US and enter the Meeting ID: 997 3894 1740

Background: Stanislaus County, as a member agency of the Stanislaus and Tuolumne Rivers Groundwater Basin Association (STRGBA) Groundwater Sustainability Agency, is hosting a landowner workshop series tailored for eastern Modesto Subbasin property owners who depend on groundwater for a majority, if not all, of their water supply needs for crops and livestock. This event is the first of three workshops and will focus on implementation of the Groundwater Sustainability Plan, governance in the Non-District East Management Area, current groundwater conditions, and projects to promote groundwater sustainability.

Workshop Agenda:

1. Welcome & Introduction
2. Governance and Roles in the Modesto Subbasin
3. Groundwater Conditions
4. Recent and Ongoing Efforts
5. Question & Answer
6. Closing

Contact: For questions about this workshop, please contact Atley Keller, Public Affairs Specialist at Stantec: atley.keller@stantec.com

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12/18/2022

City of Modesto
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Subject: Request to Transfer Management and Maintenance of Grant Agreement # 46-12653 Monitoring Wells

Dear Miguel Alvarez:

This letter acknowledges that the California Department of Water Resources (DWR) has received your October 26, 2022, email that references your previous June 21, 2021 emailed request to transfer the responsibility to use, manage, and maintain the 17 monitoring wells constructed using funding from Grant Agreement # 46-12653 to the Stanislaus & Tuolumne Rivers Groundwater Basin Association Groundwater Sustainability Agency (STRGBA GSA).

This letter serves as notification that DWR concurs with your request to transfer responsibility for these wells to STRGBA GSA provided that STRGBA GSA agrees to uphold all terms of the grant agreement for post-construction requirements to maintain and operate the wells for the 15 years useful project life of these wells.

Please be mindful that the Grantee is still obligated to continue records retention for the monitoring wells construction as there is a potential for a post completion audit of the Grant.

If you have any questions, please contact Jorge Baca at Jorge.Baca@water.ca.gov or (916) 707-1182.

Sincerely,

Carmel Brown 12/18/2022

Carmel K. Brown, Manager
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