

**PACHECO WATER DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
OCTOBER 22, 2024**

ATTENDEES

Board:

David Parreira, President
Aaron Barcellos, Director
Jake Barcellos, Director
Lance Levake, Director
Alec Smith, Director

Public:

Chase Hurley, Water & Land Solutions, LLC
Patrick McGowan
Lauren Layne (phone)

CALL TO ORDER: President Parreira called the meeting to order at 2:30pm

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: President Parreira led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: President Parreira reported a quorum of the Board of Directors was present.

POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST: There were no conflicts of interest.

PUBLIC COMMENT: There was no public comment.

SUSTAINABLE GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT ACT: DELTA MENDOTA SUBBASIN UPDATE: Mr. Hurley and Ms. Layne led a discussion on the status of the Delta Mendota subbasins Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP). The staff at the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) held a "Red Flag" review with members of the Subbasins Coordination Committee in early October and relayed some of their concerns on water quality, water levels, and the integrated surface water component along the San Joaquin River. The coordination committee is working with its consulting team on the items brought up during this review and hopes to have a four hour in person technical session in Sacramento with SWRCB staff in December to review the next set of GSP edits.

BOARD TO REVIEW AND CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE FOURTH AMENDMENT TO THE CENTRAL DELTA MENDOTA REGION SUSTAINABLE GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT ACT SERVICE ACTIVITY AGREEMENT AND CONSENT OF SS-MOA PARTICIPANTS: Upon a motion by Director Levake and seconded by Director Jake Barcellos, the Fourth Amendment to the Activity Agreement was unanimously approved as presented by Ms. Layne.

BOARD TO REVIEW AND CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE SOUTHERN DELTA MENDOTA CANAL SUBSIDENCE MANAGEMENT AREA POLICY AND OTHER ASSOCIATED ITEMS: Mr. Hurley and Mr. McGowan led the discussion on the latest draft of the policy. They stated that they hoped to have the policy in final form by early November so that it could be incorporated in the Central Delta Mendota Subbasin GSA's Pumping Reduction Plan. After discussion amongst the board, and upon a motion by Director Aaron Barcellos and seconded by Director Smith, the policy was unanimously approved with the assurance that the following red line edits are included:

1. Initial phase of the policy will include Areas A and B
2. The initial pumping allocation in phase 1 will be 0.50 Acre Feet / Acre
3. Clearly identify the transferability of the allocation credit for a landowner who wants to move it to himself within the defined management area.

BOARD TO REVIEW AND CONSIDER APPROVAL OF A SPONSORSHIP FOR THE 2025 CALIFORNIA IRRIGATION INSTITUTE CONFERENCE: Upon a motion by Director Smith and seconded by Director Levake, the board unanimously approved a \$2,000 sponsorship to the California Irrigation Institute's 2025 conference as presented by Mr. Hurley.

REPORTS ON OTHER ITEMS PURSUANT OT GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54954.2(a)(3): Mr. Hurley stated that he will bring back a proposal to the board at the November meeting for a 2024 supplemental budget request for the installation of a trash/algae screen in the mid-section of the New Ditch. As the districts landowners have progressed with more irrigation now being run through pressurized filter stations, staff is having a hard time keeping up with the algae that plugs up the headworks of those systems. The algae is coming from the San Luis Canal and is becoming more of a nuisance both to District staff and the irrigators. Mr. Hurley explained that these trash racks are becoming more common place in all water districts as the farmers have progressed to more micro and drip irrigation systems.

FUTURE MEETING DATES: The next regularly scheduled meeting date is set for November 21, 2024, at 9am.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, President Parreira adjourned the meeting at 3:30pm.



David Parreira, President



Chase Hurley, Secretary