



**Stanislaus County
Water Advisory Committee**

Minutes

September 21, 2022 9:02 a.m.
Stanislaus Farm Bureau
And Hybrid
Zoom Video Conference

Members Present:

Rachelle Antinetti
Daniel Bays
Louis Brichetto
Larry Byrd
Jim Mortensen

Tom Orvis
Sean Roddy
Cooper Rossiter
Tim Sanders
Edward Tobias

Rod Vilas
Rob Kostlivi
Christy McKinnon
Wayne Zipser

Members Absent:

Joe Alamo
Francisco Canela

Erika Durrer
Vince Dykzeul

Richard Gemperle
Terry Withrow

I. Called to Order at 9:00 a.m. (The entire meeting can be viewed at <https://www.stancounty.com/er/groundwater/wac.shtm> and by selecting the video option for the September 21, 2022 Water Advisory Committee meeting)

II. Pledge of Allegiance

Upon request of Vice Chairperson Tom Orvis, the attendees participated in the pledge of allegiance.

III. Public Comment

No public comment

IV. Roll Call

A quorum of voting members was present.

V. Approval of August 31, 2022, Meeting Minutes

The minutes of the August 31, 2022, meeting was presented by the Chairperson. The members were asked to consider the minutes for approval.

The action was taken as follows:

Motion: Tim Sanders
Second: Jim Mortensen
Vote: Unanimous

- VI.** AB 2201 Update- Did not pass - Rob Kostlivy
- VII.** Curtailment of Water Rights and Claims in the Delta Watershed – Christy McKinnon for Rob Kostlivy.

The following water rights are curtailed effective Sept 7, 2022, unless and until the State Water Board advises that this determination has been updated. Water rights and claims on the following Sacramento River tributary: Post-1914 appropriative water rights in the Putah Creek subwatershed outside of the Legal Delta with a priority date of 1924 or later. Curtailments are expected to continue through the summer and early fall until significant precipitation occurs.

<https://mavensnotebook.com/2022/09/07/notice-september-6-weekly-update-on-curtailment-status-of-water-rights-and-claims-in-the-delta-watershed/>

Christy McKinnon added that On Sept 16, 2022, the court of appeal determined that the State Water Resources Control Board exceeded its authority in 2015 when it ordered the curtailments among valid pre-1914 water rights holders based on insufficient water to serve their priorities.

- VIII.** California Regulatory Update: Water Supply, Nitrate and Salinity - Stephanie Tillman, MS, CPSS, CPAg. Land IQ.

Stephanie Tillman gave an overview of the June 2022 Land IQ Regulatory update which included a broad statewide update on the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act and impacts, benefits and current updates associated with the Irrigated Lands Regulatory Program, the CV Salts Program, and the Bay Delta Plan.

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- IX.** Stanislaus County Dry Well Update – Christy McKinnon, Environmental Resources.

Christy McKinnon provided an update on reported dry wells and emergency bottled water services received to date for Stanislaus County. Committee Member Sean Roddy expressed concerns regarding available drought emergency services available to County residents and the ability for his clients to meet eligibility requirements. In the past there was a supplemental County supported drought emergency service option that was very beneficial to people who ran out of water. The County will follow up with Self-Help Emergency Services to verify the program availability and eligibility requirements and further

look into development of necessary drought emergency service response as the SB 552 plan is developed.

[California's Groundwater Live: Well Infrastructure \(arcgis.com\)](https://arcgis.com)

- X.** October 18, 2022 Workshop on Groundwater Use Accounting, ET Based Analysis and Fees – Julianne Phillips, East Turlock Groundwater Sustainability Agency

This workshop will discuss the options on how to measure ground water use for GSP groundwater accounting purposes and explore the most beneficial and cost-effective available techniques available for implementation by the GSA. The workshop will also focus on various fee options such as tiered, extraction based, and sustainable allocation exceedance for management of the subbasin and future development of the ground water market.

Julianne Phillips also shared information regarding an upcoming meeting on Vadose Zone infiltration Wells.

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- XI. Meeting adjourned at 10:43 a.m.**

Scheduling of Next Meeting:

Wednesday, October 26, 2022, at 9:00 a.m.
Meeting location: Stanislaus Farm Bureau,
1201 L St., Modesto

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