

Regular Meeting
January 17th 2016
6:00 p.m.



**NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING OF
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

January 17th, 2017

Right to be heard: Members of the public have a right to address the Board directly on any item of interest to the public that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Board, provided that no action shall be taken on any item not appearing on the agenda unless the action is otherwise authorized by subdivision (b) of Section 54954.2.

Please Note: If you have comments on a specific agenda item(s), please fill out a comment card and return it to the Board Secretary. The Board President will call on you for your comments at the appropriate time, either before or during the Board's consideration of that item.

Agenda

Meeting will be called to order at 6:00 p.m.

1. Roll Call

2. Approval of Minutes

Approval of the minutes of the December 20th, regular meeting

3. Public Comments

The Board will receive comments from the public at this time on any item of interest to the public that is not on the agenda that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the legislative body, provided that no action shall be taken on any item not appearing on the agenda unless the action is otherwise authorized by subdivision (b) of Section 54954.2. Matters raised by public comment requiring Board action will be referred to staff or placed on a subsequent agenda where appropriate.

When addressing the Board, please state your name and address and limit your comments to three (3) minutes.

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4. General Managers Report

- State Water/Casitas MWD - Approved \$200,000.00 to help pursue State Water**
- Senior Housing Project on El Roblar**
- Production Status**

5. Board Committee Reports

- Drought Committee met on Dec. 10, 2016 Results of that meeting will be discussed in Section 9 (b) of this agenda

6. Old Business

- New water sources
- Cozy Dell Trail Property title report

7. Board of Directors Reports

8. Financial Matters

1. Approval of Payroll and Payables from December 16th, 2016 to January 15th, 2017 in the amount of;

Payables -	\$ 54,716.80
Payroll -	\$ 29,780.85
<u>Total -</u>	<u>\$ 84,497.65</u>

9. Board Discussion and/or Action

- a) Election of Board officers President and Vice-President
- b) Presentation on MOWD and Casitas MWD Allocations (Jim)
- c) Discussion of possible comments to DWR on OBGMA Alternative Plan
- d) Andrea Gleystein pending owner of 401 Walbridge Way is requesting adjacent properties be served by different meters.
- e) UVRGSA discussions and items needing Board input and licensing:
 - 1) GSA meeting summary – See attached draft minutes (Mike K and Mike H)

- 2) Discussion and approval of additional \$ 10,000.00 from each member agency for payables through June 30, 2017
- 3) Discussion of Stakeholder preferences (Please read the Attached List and backgrounds) of are our options and develop consensus who would be preferable 1st and 2nd choices.
- 4) Board authorization for voting licensing on most topics keeping the best interests of the District in mind.

10. Closed Sessions: The Board of Directors will hold a closed session to discuss personnel matters or litigation, pursuant to the attorney/client privilege, as authorized by Government Code Section 54957 & 54956.8, 54956.9 and 54957

- 1) Conference with legal counsel concerning possible litigation Government Code Section (54956.9) 2680 Maricopa Hwy

11. Meeting Adjournment.

Regular Meeting
December 20th, 2016
6:00 p.m.

Meiners Oaks Water District
202 West El Roblar Drive
Ojai, CA 93023-2211
Phone 646-2114

MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 p.m.

1. Roll Call

The meeting was called to order by the Board President James Kentosh at 6:00 pm at the District Office.

Present were: Board President James Kentosh, Board Vice-President Mike Krumpschmidt, Board Directors Larry Harrold, Diana Engle, and Mike Etchart. Staff Present: General Manager Mike Hollebrands and Board Secretary Stacey Gilbert. Attorney Lindsay Nielson was also present.

2. Approval of the minutes

Approval of the November 15th, 2016 Regular Meeting minutes:

Mr. Etchart made the motion to approve the November 15th, 2016 Regular Meeting minutes. Mr. Krumpschmidt seconded the motion.

Etchart/Krumpschmidt
All Ayes
M/S/C

3. Public Comments

Elizabeth Anne Von Gunten was present

4. General Manager's Report

- First GSA meeting – will be held on Jan 5th, 2017 from 12-3 held at CMWD. Mr. Krumpschmidt stated that the items on the agenda were deemed unclear but will possibly entail discussion of the process for appointments of stakeholders and board members. Mr. Hollebrands gave some of the names that are being considered for the environmental and agricultural seats. Mr. Krumpschmidt feels that the process to appoint is what will be discussed so that when the candidates are presented to the members of the committee each representative can bring those names back for their respective districts to discuss. He will bring back the necessary information for the Board to help guide Mr. Krumpschmidt on

who, we as a district, would like. There are several other agenda items but will most likely be tabled to a later meeting.

- State water – RFP has been sent to engineering firms to conduct feasibility studies, including other areas for studies from the City of Ventura. The initial amount of water to be acquired started around 4500 ac./ft. and is now being speculated to be over 20,000 ac./ft. Storing the water isn't the problem, its more about how they are going to pay for it. There is a further discussion that needs to take place regarding this ongoing issue. Our main concern was having City of Ventura understand that we are very interested in this project due to delayed actions from CMWD.
- RE-coating and inspection results of the Districts new tank – The inspection went as planned as well as the completed re-coating of the top exterior of the tank. There were some smaller standard repairs made within interior of the tank as well. Because initial efforts to coat the exterior failed, an additional year was added to our warranty on the exterior of the tank.
- RFQ for the Ventura River Modeling - Solicitation for bids to set flow requirements within the Ventura River – This won't take place for at least 3-4 years but could/would affect how much the District could extract from our wells.

5. Board Committee Reports

- Drought Committee met on November 22 and December 7, 2016 – Minutes are attached to the agenda packet
- Meetings with Ron Merkling and Steve Wickstrum – to be discussed later in the meeting.

6. Old Business

- Cold water well – spoke with Brian Bondy about the newer property and the chances are the same as if we drilled on the other side of the highway. The cost is greater to use the newer property. Mr. Krumpschmidt feels we should wait and see what results Casitas gets since their spot falls within the same formation. That will give us a better likelihood that we would hit water.
- Cozy Dell trail property title report – Ms. Engle questioned who Conrad Theiland was and why does he have a title to the estate. In reading further it states that said interest was deeded to MOWD. On the map there is a missing APN number however there is a strange “@” and it is unknown to what that is or what means. Mr. Nielson will look into that for next meeting. Mr. Kentosh had several questions that were answered by Mr. Nielson explaining the trail of ownership of this property and how the title evolved.
- No trespassing signs at the tank farm – these have been placed around the tank farm perimeter.

- Senior living facility – Mr. Hollebrands updated that he and Steve Wickstrum attended a pre planning meeting on Dec 15th to meet with the planning commission members who were trying to get clarity and ask us our thoughts on the water situation and asked for forecasts of things we are not able to forecast. The project is being required by the County of Ventura to conform with Net Zero requirements which is good for us and the lake, but we don't feel the 2.18 AC/ft can be achieved just through Meiners Oaks School. Mr. Wyrick is working on how they will achieve this. The ongoing concern is the impact this amount of water they want has on our district.
- Signature changes at Rabobank – Dale Carnathan's name needs to be removed and replaced with Diana Engle's name. Mr. Etchart made the motion to remove Dale Carnathan's name from the signature document and to have Diana Engel's name be added. Mr. Krumpschmidt seconded the motion.

Etchart/Krumpschmidt

All Ayes

M/S/C

7. Board of Directors Reports

- OBGMA Alternative demonstration of Groundwater Sustainability – Ms. Engle – OBGMA has by law first pick declaring them a GSA basin and therefore took advantage of that prerogative but that allows them to avoid creating a GSP as long as they follow some necessary steps. OBGMA took the simpler route which is laid out in the Articles of the piece of legislation that describes the GSP Alternative and what the conditions are to follow that route. The issue of the matter is that OBGMA by virtue of having in its existence already a ground water management plan can say that they already have "A" plan and then by submitting a "demonstration" that shows that they have been operating the basin in a sustainable fashion for at least the most recent 10 years to DWR but they have to prove that their approach has to satisfy the same elements as a GSP would. However, there were delays in getting this report done and once it was done there was only a small window to turn it in and the public had not reviewed it for comments. At the OBGMA Board meeting there were several people there that were up in arms about the demonstration document being adopted which claims that they are sustainably managing the ground water and that if they run out of water they can just pull from Casitas with the disregard that there are several other entities pulling from the lake as well and that it is not their fault that the groundwater level has dropped significantly. Despite the fact that the County rejected this report, OBGMA has adopted the report. Mr. Krumpschmidt is asking for direction as to what he should say in regards to the actions of the OBGMA at the next GSA meeting. Mr. Harrold – Made mention of letters to the editor by Larry E.

Mr. Krumpschmidt – Asked Ms. Engle how it went at the Desalination forum. Mr. Kentosh stated that it would take 14 years before that project would be up and running properly. The forum was quite detailed of the process of how to obtain a Desalination plant along with a lot of discussion in regards to that process. Mr. Krumpschmidt wanted to know if we have any further information regarding the Hatton lien. Mr. Nielson found out that we had filed a creditor's claim against the estate in January of 2013. Mr. Nielson contacted Paul Blatz and asked what happened. It was discovered that a year later in January 2014 Paul Blatz states that a rejection was filed, but Mr. Blatz forwarded to us an unfiled copy. Mr. Blatz stated that the estate is closed and Mr. Nielson asked how it could close if there was a filed Creditor's Claim against the estate. Mr. Blatz could not answer that. Mr. Nielson states that there is nothing that we can do since the estate is closed. Mr. Nielson is still going to go look in the actual probate file to see what happened.

Mr. Etchart has no report
Mr. Kentosh has no report

8. Financial Matters

1. Approval of Payroll and Payables from November 16th, 2016 to December 15th, 2016 in the amount of:

Payables -	\$ 58,067.00
Payroll -	\$ 32,489.90
Total -	\$ 90,556.90

Mr. Harrold made the motion to pay the monthly expenses. Mr. Etchart seconded the motion.

Discussion – Ms. Engle questioned the Total Compensation bill – these are reports for CalPERS through Gasby 68 that the auditor needs that used to be free and now they aren't. Mr. Kentosh asked about the GSA fees and if we are over or under budget. Mr. Hollebrands stated we are over budget

Harrold/Etchart
All Ayes
M/S/C

9. Board Discussion and/or Action

- a) Discussion and approval of the proposed amendments to the Drought Contingency Plan – Mr. Hollebrands and Ms. Engle worked together on some amendments focusing on trailer parks and to have a policy in place. Most of the amendments were wording changes to be more copacetic and uniform. Mr. Hollebrands also added stages 4 and 5 since we are on the “heals” of Stage 4. Ms. Engle summarizes the trailer park amendment as such that if the trailer parks base allocation equates to

less than 7 then the trailer parks base allocation will not subject to drought stage specific mandatory reduction. However, if it is 7.5 or higher then the trailer parks base allocation will be subject to drought stage specific mandatory reduction. Mr. Kentosh requests that a letter be sent to those trailer parks that this directly affects stating our amendments in the Drought contingency plan that lays out how we deal with trailer parks.

Mr. Etchart made the motion to adopt the Drought Contingency Plan with the minor editorial changes to be made. Ms. Engle seconded the motion.

Etchart/Engle

All Ayes

M/S/C

- b) Letter to Casitas MWD about importing state water – Mr. Kentosh summarized the letter to the Board. It was requested to be hand delivered to Mr. Wickstrum

Mr. Etchart made the motion to accept the letter to Casitas MWD with the minor editorial changes. Mr. Krumpschmidt seconded the motion.

Etchart/Krumpschmidt

All Ayes

M/S/C

- c) Discussion of Casitas MWD's conservation penalty, increasing the one dollar fee to five dollars per unit – Mr. Hollebrands and Mr. Kentosh had a meeting with Steve Wickstrum. The summary of the meeting was letting Mr. Wickstrum know how their conservation penalty may have a drastic affect to our funds. Mr. Wickstrum doesn't want that to happen to us, as a district, and that it was never his intention to have that happen. Mr. Wickstrum is open to us having a higher allocation so that we don't suffer a financial hardship. Given this information that Mr. Wickstrum is willing to give us a higher allocation, we are currently doing our 30% reduction and are within our allocation estimate and won't need to go forward with the increase of the drought surcharge. The Board agreed to go with our 2013 numbers which gives us a higher allocation that will be stated in the MOU we are to give Casitas. There is also no urgency in adopting Casitas' WEAP within our district at this time. The Drought Committee will discuss further our allocation system and if we need to make any necessary changes to be more copacetic with Casitas.
- d) Board requested Drought Surcharge billing information – Mr. Hollebrands explained the costs of changing the actual bill. Ms. Gilbert explained the ease of activating or inactivating items within the billing system. No action is needed at this time.

10. Closed Session

There was no closed session at this time.

11. Meeting Adjournment

There being no further business to conduct at this time, Board President James Kentosh adjourned the meeting at 8:45 PM.

President

Secretary

December 2016



To: Board of Directors of the Meiners Oaks Water District

From: General Manager

Subject: Monthly Manager's Report

Highlights

(Rainy season October thru April)

10.86" of rain

LAKE CASITAS LEVEL

35.2%

Board Committees

No committees met this month

Current Well levels and specific capacity

Well 1	Nov.	Dec.	Well 2	Nov.	Dec.	Well 4	Nov.	Dec.	Well 7	Nov.	Dec.
Static	32.4'	22.3'	Static	32.3'	21.4'	Static	71.7'	67.5'	Static	71.2'	67.0'
Running	Off'	Off'	Running	Off'	Off'	Running	Off'	Off'	Running	Off'	Off'
Drawdown	Off'	Off'	Drawdown	Off'	Off'	Drawdown	Off'	Off'	Drawdown	Off'	Off'
Specific Cap.	Off gal/ft	Off gal/ft	Specific Cap.	Off gal/ft	Off gal/ft	Specific Cap.	Off gal/ft	Off gal/ft	Specific Cap.	Off gal/ft	Off gal/ft

Water Production

Water production and sold values are based on a calendar year

Total Pumped in December:			
Wells	AF	Average GPM	Typical GPM
1.	0.00	Off	375
2.	0.00	Off	250
4.	0.00	Off	750
7.	0.00	Off	450
8.	0.00	Off	330

Total Pumped for December	0.00 AF
Total Pumped 2015:	466.05 AF
Total Pumped YTD 2016:	305.42 AF

Total Sold:

Total Sold for December 2016:	36.71AF
Total Sold YTD 2016:	608.21AF
Total Sold 2015:	694.80AF
Total Purchased from CMWD 2015	274.22 AF
Total Purchased for December	36.71 AF
Total Purchased YTD 2016	323.91AF

Total Capacity:

2083 Gallons per Minute (Gpm) with all current wells on line 1, 2, 4, 7, 8)

3,583 Gallons per minute (Gpm) with all current wells on line 1, 2, 4, 7, 8) + Casitas

Water Sales:

(Sales values are based on the actual month listed only not YTD)

December 2015:	\$ 46,627.19
December 2016:	\$ 51,841.71

Reserve Funds

Balance at the County of Ventura	\$ 970,879.99
Total Taxes*	\$ 79,827.45
Total Interest from reserve account#	\$ 811.58

Fiscal Year Total Revenues

July 1 st – Dec. 31 st 2015	\$ 672,881.71
July 1 st – Dec. 31 st 2016	\$ 713,220.63

Bank Balances

LAIF Balance	\$ 5,206.98
(#) Quarterly Interest from LAIF	\$ 0.00
Money Market (RABO)	\$ 398,123.23
Amount Transferred to RABO Money Market this month	\$ 0.00
Amount Transferred to General Fund from Money Market	\$ 0.00
(*) Monthly Interest received from Money Market	\$ 65.44
General Fund Balance	\$ 232,631.59
Trust Fund Balance	\$ 13,622.35
Capital Improvement Fund	\$ 14,403.86
(#) Quarterly Interest from Capital Account	\$.24
Total Interest accrued	\$ 65.68

Water Quality

No water quality issues to report this month

Capital Improvement Projects for 2015-2016
Budgeted capital funds \$ 1,759,949.30 FY 2015-2016

1. Continue with tank replacement project (Completed)
2. Acquire scope of work for bid on new well (Completed).

Unscheduled Work

Warhead replacement and new hydrant valve S. Poli	\$ 3,259.53
Hydrant replacement at Fernando and N. Encinal	\$ 1,500.00
Main Leak on S. Padre Juan	\$ 3,000.00
Service repair S. Pueblo	\$ 1,000.00
Service repair Mesa	\$ 1,000.00
Valve replacement Encinal/El Conejo	\$ 1,000.00
Valve replacement Fernando/N. La Luna	\$ 2,000.00
Fire hydrant replacement S. La Luna	\$ 4,126.09
This item has been reimbursed by the company that hit it	\$ - 4,126.09
Main Leak 110 Besant Rd	\$ 2,000.00
Paving	\$ 6,000.00
Move wharf-head at Encinal and El Roblar	\$ 4,000.00
Paving for street repairs	\$ 4,300.00
Main Leak El Roblar and N. Pueblo	\$ 4,318.00
<u>Total</u>	<u>\$ 33,377.53</u>

On-going Items

Casitas MOU

I have spoken to Steve this morning about this and confirmed that he was waiting for us to come back to him on a final number. I told him that the last time the Board met, the consensus was to go with the larger 2013 number of 1030 acre-feet annually. Steve stated that he had a number of items on his plate that he needs handle first, but he did feel that the document itself was at 90%. That status hasn't changed since Jim and I spoke with him.

Production

Conservation

Santa Barbara Channel Keeper vs. City of Ventura

Nothing to report on this item.

GSA

Item will be discussed in length during the regular Board meeting.

Tanks

1. 250k gallon was installed in 1958 age = 57 (Removed 2015)
2. 80k gallon was installed in 1983 age = 32
3. 500k gallon was installed in 1988 age = 27 (Removed 2015)
4. 500k gallon was installed in 1973 age = 42 (Put back into service 2011)
5. 500k gallon was installed in 2003 age = 12
6. 750k gallon welded tank 2015 age = 1

Life expectancy for a bolted tank is 30 – 40 years

Well Drilled Dates & Depths

	<u>Date drilled</u>	<u>Drill Depth</u>
1. Well # 1	1969	60 feet
2. Well # 2	1969	116 feet
3. Well # 4	1969	240 feet
4. Well # 7	1961	156 feet
5. Well # 8	1968	144 feet

New Items

Board of Directors

President – Jim Kentosh Elected in 2014	Term ends 2018	Long Term
Vice-President – Mike Krumpschmidt Elected 2014	Term ends 2020	Long Term
Board Member – Larry Harrold Elected 2014	Term ends 2018	Long Term
Board Member – Michael Etchart Elected 2014	Term Ends 2018	Long Term
Board Member – Diana Engle Elected 2016	Term Ends 2020	Long Term

Report of Income as of 12/31/2016

Income	Month of December	Year To Date	Budget Approp	Approp Bal 07/31/15
Interest	877.26	3,270.18	--	(3,270.18)
Taxes	79,827.45	80,669.02	--	(80,669.02)
Pumping Charges	223.13	2,020.93	--	(2,020.93)
Fire Protection	96.44	785.45	--	(785.45)
Meter & Inst. Fees	--	--	--	--
Water Sales	51,841.71	353,454.11	659,439.00	305,984.89
Casitas Standby Fees	330.71	4,170.00	--	(4,170.00)
MWAC Charges	48,868.62	266,756.69	666,997.00	400,240.31
MCC Chg.	6,708.33	38,769.00	125,408.00	86,639.00
Misc. Income	242.92	1,886.38	8,000.00	6,113.62
Late & Delinquent Chgs.	3,037.81	16,976.80	--	(16,976.80)
Conservation Penalty	--	300.00	--	(300.00)
Capital Improvement	--	--	--	--
Drought Surcharge	4,471.36	28,101.27	--	(28,101.27)
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TOTAL INCOME	196,525.74	797,159.83	1,459,844.00	662,684.17

Meiners Oaks Water District

Report of Expenses and Budget Appropriations, Current Bills and Appropriations To Date

Expenditures	Month of December	Year To Date	Budget Approp	Approp Bal 12/31/16	Current January	Approp Bal To Date
Salary / Taxes	33,068.56	189,650.10	410,000.00	220,349.90	-	220,349.90
Retirement Contributions	3,412.68	17,414.91	35,000.00	17,585.09	-	17,585.09
Group Insurance	3,832.72	22,347.08	70,000.00	47,652.92	-	47,652.92
Company Uniforms	622.64	622.64	1,500.00	877.36	-	877.36
Phone Office	773.15	4,643.99	7,600.00	2,956.01	-	2,956.01
Janitorial Service	341.39	2,269.70	5,200.00	2,930.30	101.36	2828.94
Refuse Disposal	166.11	996.66	2,500.00	1,503.34	-	1,503.34
Liability Insurance	-	21,465.64	22,500.00	1,034.36	-	1,034.36
Workers Compensation	-	10,086.48	17,500.00	7,413.52	-	7,413.52
Wells	-	547.70	20,000.00	19,452.30	-	19,452.30
Truck Maintenance	1,343.82	1,784.88	4,000.00	2,215.12	-	2,215.12
Office Equip. Maintenance	159.60	3,596.84	5,000.00	1,403.16	-	1,403.16
Cell Phones	244.09	1,880.25	4,500.00	2,619.75	-	2,619.75
System Maintenance	5,489.92	19,168.49	60,000.00	40,831.51	428.47	40403.04
Safety Equipment	-	1,082.37	3,500.00	2,417.63	-	2,417.63
Laboratory Services	316.00	2,678.00	8,000.00	5,322.00	79.00	5243.00
Membership and Dues	-	6,097.00	7,000.00	903.00	-	903.00
Printing and Binding	-	140.59	1,000.00	859.41	-	859.41
Office Supplies	97.76	2,509.83	6,000.00	3,490.17	-	3,490.17
Postage and Express	814.48	8,169.33	13,500.00	5,330.67	-	5,330.67
B.O.D. Fees	950.00	5,450.00	15,000.00	9,550.00	-	9,550.00
Engineering & Technical Services	-	-	35,000.00	35,000.00	-	35,000.00
Computer Services	70.97	3,870.65	12,000.00	8,129.35	-	8,129.35
Other Prof. & Regulatory Fees	138.50	6,594.76	17,500.00	10,905.24	3109.00	10536.24
Public and Legal Notices	-	-	1,500.00	1,500.00	-	1,500.00
Attorney Fees	1,360.00	6,860.00	15,000.00	8,140.00	-	8,140.00
GSA Fees	4,690.44	17,978.62	25,000.00	7,021.38	-	7,021.38
VR/SBC/City of VTA Law Suit	-	-	40,000.00	40,000.00	-	40,000.00
Audit Fees	4,400.00	9,400.00	12,000.00	2,600.00	-	2,600.00
Small Tools	3.90	606.97	3,000.00	2,393.03	-	2,393.03
Election Supplies	-	-	3,000.00	3,000.00	-	3,000.00
Water Purchase	26,860.77	168,830.11	250,000.00	81,169.89	-	81,169.89
Treatment Plant	-	613.63	10,000.00	9,386.37	-	9,386.37
Fuel	580.42	3,953.37	12,000.00	8,046.63	-	8,046.63
Travel Exp./Seminars	-	403.15	2,000.00	1,596.85	-	1,596.85
Utilities	147.76	1,272.21	3,500.00	2,227.79	88.95	2138.84
Power and Pumping	684.47	684.47	80,000.00	79,315.53	1279.37	78036.16
Meters	-	-	10,000.00	10,000.00	-	10,000.00
Total Expenditures	90,570.15	543,670.42	1,250,800.00	707,129.58	2346.45	704783.43
Water Distribution System	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cold Water Well	-	-	250,000.00	250,000.00	-	250,000.00
	-	-	-	-	-	-
Structures and Improvements	-	-	-	-	-	-
Generator Z-2	-	-	120,000.00	120,000.00	-	120,000.00
	-	-	-	-	-	-
Trucks/Carts	-	-	-	-	-	-
Furniture and Fixtures	-	-	-	-	-	-
Office Machines	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-
Field Equipment	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pipe Freezing Machine	-	3,335.74	3,500.00	164.26	-	164.26
	-	-	-	-	-	-
Appropriations for Contingencies	-	4,318.00	100,000.00	95,682.00	4318.00	91364.00
Total Assets	-	7,653.74	473,500.00	465,846.26	4318.00	461528.26
GRAND TOTAL	90,570.15	551,324.16	1,724,300.00	1,172,975.84	6664.45	1,166,311.69



Meiner's Oaks County Water District, CA

Check Report

By Vendor Name

Date Range: 12/16/2016 - 01/15/2017

Vendor Number Payable #	Vendor Name Payable Type	Payment Date Payable Date	Payment Type Payable Description	Discount Amount Discount Amount	Payment Amount Payable Amount	Number
Bank Code: AP Bank-AP Bank						
U-VERSE 1067294601216	AT&T U-verse Invoice	12/04/2016	12/28/2016 Regular Internet	0.00 0.00	70.00 70.00	7353
AT&T 01841216 21141216	AT&T Invoice Invoice	12/13/2016 12/20/2016	12/28/2016 Regular Office Phones Office Phones	0.00 0.00 0.00	648.67 83.50 565.17	7352
AUTOSU 389978 391229	Automotive Supply - Ojai Invoice Invoice	12/05/2016 12/19/2016	01/11/2017 Regular Terminal Assortment for Dump Trailer Battery for Golf Cart	0.00 0.00 0.00	132.59 1.92 130.67	7369
BONDY 010-02	Bondy Groundwater Consulting, Inc. Invoice	01/01/2017	01/11/2017 Regular Professional Consulting Services	0.00 0.00	360.00 360.00	7370
CALPERS INV0000545 INV0000556	California Public Employees' Retirement Invoice Invoice	12/15/2016 12/30/2016	12/28/2016 Regular Health Health	0.00 0.00 0.00	4,079.02 2,039.52 2,039.50	7349
CALPERS 2186	California Public Employees' Retirement Invoice	12/14/2016	12/28/2016 Regular Retired Premiums	0.00 0.00	265.10 265.10	7354
GASB 10000001488694	CALPERS Invoice	12/28/2016	12/29/2016 Regular GASB Reporting Fees	0.00 0.00	850.00 850.00	7367
CAL-STATE 76110	Cal-State Invoice	01/07/2017	01/11/2017 Regular Portable Restroom	0.00 0.00	101.36 101.36	7371
CANON 16796145	Canon Financial Services, Inc. Invoice	12/13/2016	12/28/2016 Regular Contract Charges	0.00 0.00	125.38 125.38	7355
CMWD 261151216 262001216 911321216	Casitas Municipal Water District Invoice Invoice Invoice	12/30/2016 12/30/2016 12/30/2016	01/11/2017 Regular Fairview Water/Stby Hartmann Allocation Tico & La Luna Purchased/Stby	0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00	26,860.77 25,867.29 85.49 907.99	7372
CHICAGO 131601958-1	Chicago Title Company Invoice	12/14/2016	12/28/2016 Regular Title Report	0.00 0.00	750.00 750.00	7356
CLEANCO 3032	Cleanco Services Invoice	12/26/2016	12/28/2016 Regular December Janitorial	0.00 0.00	240.00 240.00	7357
DATAP DP1603965	Dataprose LLC Invoice	12/31/2016	01/11/2017 Regular Bulk Billing/Postage	0.00 0.00	767.48 767.48	7373
EJHAR 281301216 994261216	E. J. Harrison Rolloffs, Inc. Invoice Invoice	12/13/2016 12/13/2016	12/28/2016 Regular Office Trash 3 Yard Dumpster	0.00 0.00 0.00	166.11 40.00 126.11	7358
EVANS 2146	Evans Excavating Invoice	01/03/2017	01/11/2017 Regular El roblar main line leak	0.00 0.00	4,318.00 4,318.00	7374
FGLENV 614545A	FGL Environmental Invoice	12/13/2016	12/28/2016 Regular Lab. Services	0.00 0.00	79.00 79.00	7359
FGLENV 614855A 615239A	FGL Environmental Invoice Invoice	12/27/2016 12/29/2016	01/11/2017 Regular Lab. Services Lab. Services	0.00 0.00 0.00	237.00 79.00 79.00	7375

Check Report

Date Range: 12/16/2016 - 01/15/2017

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Payable #	Payable Type	Payable Date	Payable Description	Discount Amount	Payable Amount	
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GUARDIAN	Guardian	12/28/2016	Regular	0.00	8.00	7360
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HLTHNE	Health Net Life Insurance Company	12/28/2016	Regular	0.00	21.60	7361
61791216	Invoice	12/07/2016	Life Insurance	0.00	21.60	
HSBS	HealthSmart Benefit Solutions, Inc.	12/28/2016	Regular	0.00	99.06	7351
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IAN	Ian McMahon	12/28/2016	Regular	0.00	65.00	7362
G2FF	Invoice	12/23/2016	Grade 2 Filing Fees-Ian	0.00	65.00	
INTEGRATE	Integrated Services, Inc.	12/28/2016	Regular	0.00	54.48	7363
000104200	Invoice	12/14/2016	Long Distance	0.00	54.48	
NEILSON	Law Offices of Lindsay F. Nielson	12/28/2016	Regular	0.00	1,360.00	7364
34881216	Invoice	12/09/2016	Attorney Fees	0.00	1,360.00	
MOHARD	Meiners Oaks Hardware	01/11/2017	Regular	0.00	207.08	7376
748806	Invoice	12/01/2016	AAA Batteries	0.00	14.66	
749745	Invoice	12/07/2016	Pail Lid,Paintbrush,Container	0.00	10.29	
750576	Invoice	12/12/2016	Wire Brush	0.00	3.90	
750637	Invoice	12/12/2016	Paintbrush	0.00	14.22	
750826	Invoice	12/13/2016	Thread Seal,Pipe Thread,Hose	0.00	81.16	
750976	Invoice	12/14/2016	Wet Paint and No Trespass Sign	0.00	11.69	
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SSB&P	Soares,Sandall,Bernacchi & Petrovich,LLP	01/11/2017	Regular	0.00	4,000.00	7378
44386	Invoice	12/31/2016	Audit	0.00	4,000.00	
SCE	Southern California Edison Co.	01/11/2017	Regular	0.00	1,368.32	7379
OFFELE0117	Invoice	01/11/2017	Office Electricity	0.00	88.95	
PMP1-0117	Invoice	01/11/2017	Pump 1	0.00	45.78	
PMP2-0117	Invoice	01/11/2017	Pump 2	0.00	43.95	
PMP4&70117	Invoice	01/11/2017	Pump 4&7	0.00	722.42	
TNKFRM0117	Invoice	01/11/2017	Tank Farm	0.00	31.51	
WELL80117	Invoice	01/11/2017	Well 8	0.00	53.13	
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Z-2PWRT0117	Invoice	01/11/2017	Zone 2 Power	0.00	238.87	
Z-3FIRO117	Invoice	01/11/2017	Zone 3 Fire	0.00	26.03	
SCGAS	Southern California Gas Co.	01/11/2017	Regular	0.00	46.69	7380
6481	Invoice	12/29/2016	Office Heat	0.00	46.69	

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STARDYMIX	State Ready Mix Inc.	01/11/2017	Regular	0.00	428.47	7381
502464	Invoice	01/03/2017	Slurry	0.00	428.47	
SWRCB-DWOCB	State Water Resources Control Board DWOCB	12/28/2016	Regular	0.00	60.00	7365
G2	Invoice	12/23/2016	Grade 2	0.00	60.00	
UAOFSC	Underground Service Alert of So.Ca.	01/11/2017	Regular	0.00	9.00	7382
1220160427	Invoice	01/01/2017	Digalert	0.00	9.00	
USBANK	US Bank Corporate Pmt. System	01/11/2017	Regular	0.00	1,490.92	7383
Ben113016	Invoice	12/01/2016	rubber maid for truck	0.00	10.52	
FRED121916	Invoice	12/06/2016	Tires	0.00	1,160.75	
Inters120616	Invoice	12/06/2016	Battery	0.00	50.48	
Sw120916	Invoice	12/09/2016	Yellow Paint	0.00	151.12	
USPS121916	Invoice	12/19/2016	Stamps	0.00	47.00	
Vons120116	Invoice	12/01/2016	Water, Paper Towels and Toilet Paper	0.00	71.05	
VERIZON	Verizon Wireless	01/11/2017	Regular	0.00	244.09	7384
9777750960	Invoice	12/26/2016	Cell Phones	0.00	244.09	
WRIGHT EXP	WEX Bank	12/28/2016	Regular	0.00	580.42	7366
48030527	Invoice	12/15/2016	Fuel	0.00	580.42	

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Manual Checks	0	0	0.00	0.00
Voided Checks	0	0	0.00	0.00
Bank Drafts	0	0	0.00	0.00
EFT's	0	0	0.00	0.00
	70	37	0.00	54,716.80

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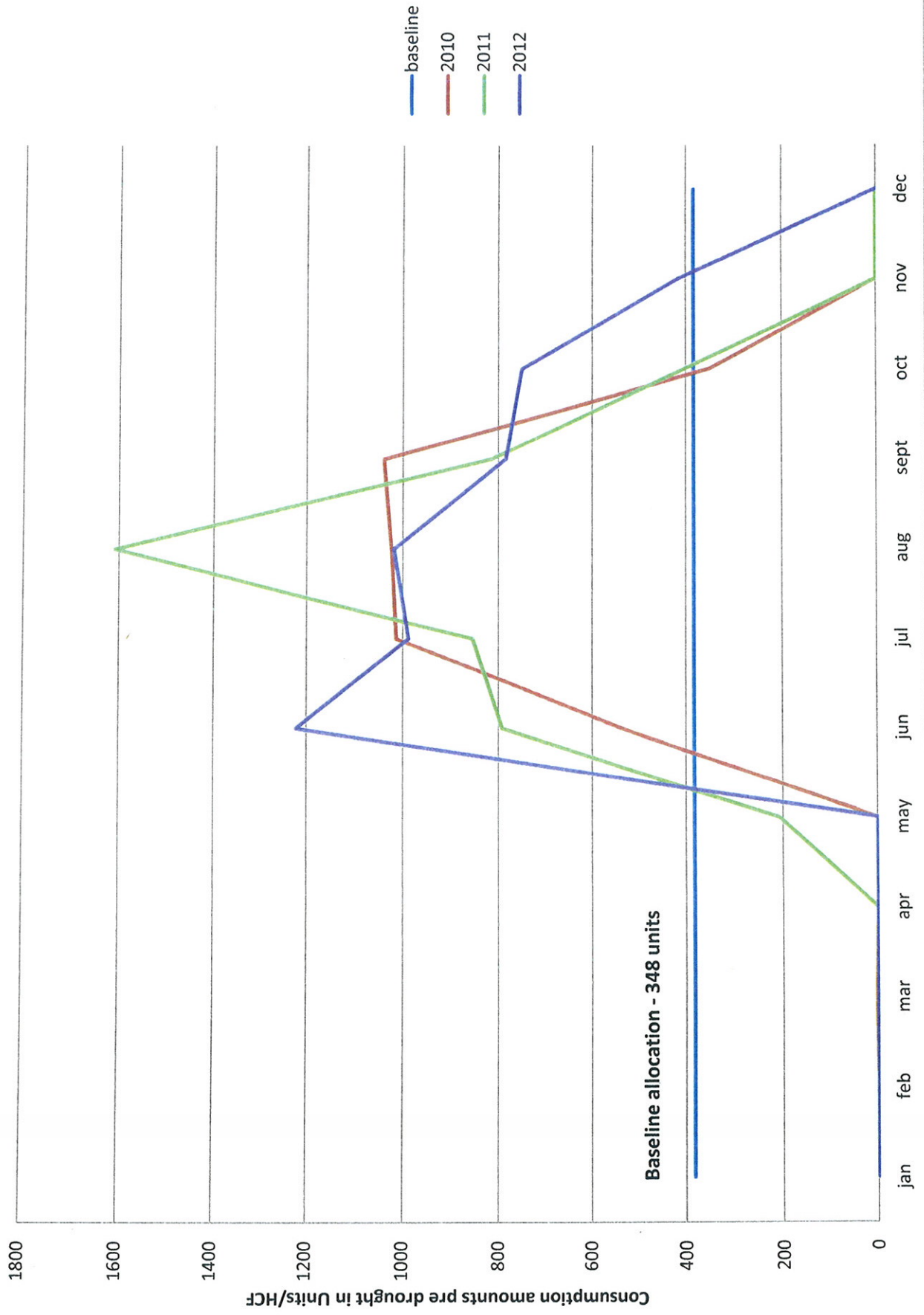
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9/30/2016	Regular	Agriculture	AGR	W	49,535.00	49,781.00	246	246		
8/31/2016	Regular	Agriculture	AGR	W	48,955.00	49,535.00	580	580		
7/31/2016	Regular	Agriculture	AGR	W	48,626.00	48,955.00	329	329		
6/30/2016	Regular	Agriculture	AGR	W	48,166.00	48,626.00	460	460		
5/31/2016	Regular	Agriculture	AGR	W	47,914.00	48,166.00	252	252		
4/30/2016	Regular	Agriculture	AGR	W	47,914.00	47,914.00	0	0		
3/31/2016	Regular	Agriculture	AGR	W	47,913.00	47,914.00	1	1		
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9/30/2015	Adjustment Mass	Agriculture	AGR	W	46,774.00	47,034.00	260	260		
8/31/2015	Regular	Agriculture	AGR	W	46,210.00	46,774.00	564	564		
7/31/2015	Regular	Agriculture	AGR	W	45,940.00	46,210.00	270	270		
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2/28/2014	Regular	Agriculture	AGR	W	41,597.00	41,597.00	0	0		
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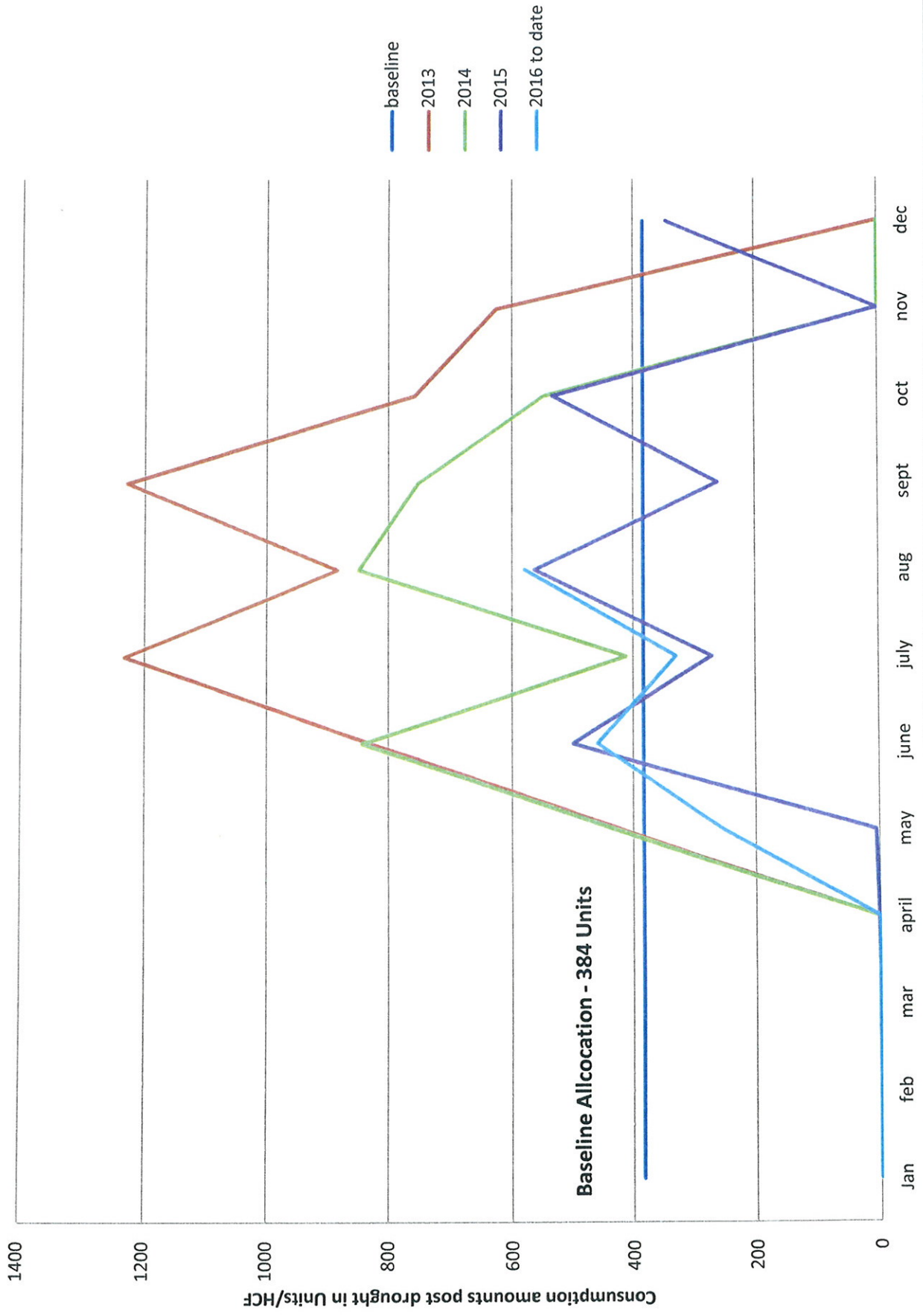
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1/31/2016	Regular	Residential	RESIDENTIAL W	W	1,920.00	1,922.00	2.00	2.00	
9/30/2016	Regular	Residential	RESIDENTIAL W	W	1,914.00	1,920.00	6.00	6.00	
9/31/2016	Regular	Residential	RESIDENTIAL W	W	1,913.00	1,914.00	1.00	1.00	
7/31/2016	Regular	Residential	RESIDENTIAL W	W	1,912.00	1,913.00	1.00	1.00	
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4/30/2016	Regular	Residential	RESIDENTIAL W	W	1,912.00	1,912.00	0.00	0.00	
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2/29/2016	Regular	Residential	RESIDENTIAL W	W	1,912.00	1,912.00	0.00	0.00	
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10/31/2015	Regular	Residential	RESIDENTIAL W	W	1,911.00	1,911.00	0.00	0.00	
9/30/2015	Regular	Residential	RESIDENTIAL W	W	1,911.00	1,911.00	0.00	0.00	
8/30/2015	Disconnect	Residential	RESIDENTIAL W	W	1,907.00	1,911.00	4.00	4.00	
9/30/2015	Adjustment Mass	Residential	RESIDENTIAL W	W	1,899.00	1,907.00	8.00	8.00	
8/31/2015	Regular	Residential	RESIDENTIAL W	W	1,891.00	1,899.00	8.00	8.00	
7/31/2015	Regular	Residential	RESIDENTIAL W	W	1,883.00	1,891.00	8.00	8.00	
6/30/2015	Regular	Residential	RESIDENTIAL W	W	1,873.00	1,883.00	10.00	10.00	
5/31/2015	Regular	Residential	RESIDENTIAL W	W	1,864.00	1,873.00	9.00	9.00	
4/30/2015	Regular	Residential	RESIDENTIAL W	W	1,856.00	1,864.00	8.00	8.00	
3/31/2015	Regular	Residential	RESIDENTIAL W	W	1,849.00	1,856.00	7.00	7.00	
2/28/2015	Regular	Residential	RESIDENTIAL W	W	1,839.00	1,849.00	10.00	10.00	
1/31/2015	Regular	Residential	RESIDENTIAL W	W	1,831.00	1,839.00	8.00	8.00	
12/31/2014	Regular	Residential	RESIDENTIAL W	W	1,825.00	1,831.00	6.00	6.00	
11/30/2014	Regular	Residential	RESIDENTIAL W	W	1,813.00	1,825.00	12.00	12.00	
10/31/2014	Regular	Residential	RESIDENTIAL W	W	1,800.00	1,813.00	13.00	13.00	
9/30/2014	Regular	Residential	RESIDENTIAL W	W	1,780.00	1,800.00	20.00	20.00	
8/31/2014	Regular	Residential	RESIDENTIAL W	W	1,759.00	1,780.00	21.00	21.00	
7/31/2014	Regular	Residential	RESIDENTIAL W	W	1,746.00	1,759.00	13.00	13.00	
6/30/2014	Regular	Residential	RESIDENTIAL W	W	1,733.00	1,746.00	13.00	13.00	
5/31/2014	Regular	Residential	RESIDENTIAL W	W	1,716.00	1,733.00	17.00	17.00	
4/30/2014	Regular	Residential	RESIDENTIAL W	W	1,700.00	1,716.00	16.00	16.00	
3/31/2014	Regular	Residential	RESIDENTIAL W	W	1,688.00	1,700.00	12.00	12.00	

Walbridge



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401 Walbridge Way

Legend

- 401 Walbridge Way
- A & I Mini Mart & Gas
- APN: 80390
- APN: 0170134010
- APN: 80575
- Feature 1
- Feature 2
- Feature 3
- Feature 4
- Meiners Oaks Library
- Ojai School of Massage
- Papa Lennon's

401 Walbridge Way

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GSA Meeting Summary

1/5/2017

Directors Present: Mary Bergen (Casitas), Mike Krumpschmidt (MOWD), Shana Epstein (City of Ventura), Jeff Pratt (County of Ventura) and Bruce Kuebler (VRWD).

Public comments:

Lynn Rodriguez with Watershed Coalition of Ventura County offered assistance from her agency to the GSA for any future grant or funding needs.

Debra Pendry of Ojai Valley Green Coalition and Leone Webster of Oak Grove School offered their support during public comments.

Randy Haney wanted to emphasize the need and demand for transparency within the new agency. He also stated that he would prefer the meetings to be held in the evening vs. the early afternoon, that the minutes are recorded, videoed, and published to the public within 72 hours of the meeting.

Kevin Delano who is a geologist with Department of Water Resources spoke about being a part of a six-person team that is developing the flow criteria for Ventura River. He was questioned about the flow requirement generally and was asked what he thought that might look like for the Ventura River. He stated that a flow requirement in the river is only one possible regulatory possibility. He did not elaborate on any others. However, he did state; that was eager to work with all of the stakeholders.

Michael Weirick with the Ojai City Council said that he was glad to hear that this GSA was forming but would like the GSA to form its GSP as quickly as possible. Mr. Weirick also stated that he hopes it is more transparent than OBMGA.

Action Items:

Item 5(a)

Motion to form a committee to interview all of the Agriculture and Environmental candidates within the next two weeks was voted on and approved. The committee would consist of Bruce Kuebler and Shana Epstein.

Item 5(b)

This item directed the selected committee to interview all of the candidates within a two-week period and to bring their recommendations back to the full Board at the next regular meeting

February 1st. Regarding the subcommittee that will interview the nominated Stakeholders, it was suggested that among other things the interviewers be sure to establish or question three items: 1. that the nominee has an intimate relationship with the watershed; 2. that the nominee is fully available and generally flexible for meeting dates and times; 3. establish whether any conflict of interests might exist for the nominee.

Items 5 (c) and 5(d) were taken out of order for meeting continuity

Item 5 (d)

After some discussion, it was decided that the regular meetings for the Upper Ventura Basin GSA would be held on the first Wednesday of every month at 3 pm until a permanent location is established. At which time, days and times may change to accommodate the facility's availability.

Item 5 (c)

This item discussed a meeting place and mailing address for a home office to be used as required by SGMA. Michael Weirick said that he would check with the City of Ojai for the use of the Council Chambers. Fees for the use of this facility could not be determined at this point, but Michael said that he would get back to us with an answer as soon as he could. For the interim period, VRWD's office address would continue to be used as the mailing address. Jeff Pratt, the County representative/GSA director offered County facilities and personnel, but preface for for an Ojai location was voiced by most directors.

Item 5 (e)

Selection of an interim Executive Director was volunteered by the City Of Ventura and named to be Jennifer Tribo. Mrs. Tribo would take care of agenda preparation, development of an annual budget, conflict of interest code, submission, and notification to the State the GSA's JPA. (No Fiscal Impact)

Item 5 (f)

This item requires all respective boards approval to increase each member's additional contribution of \$10,000.00 to take care of payables through June 30, 2017. Future revenue requirements and income mechanisms will be completed by May 2017.

The next GSA meeting will take place on Wednesday, February 1st, at 3 pm located at Casitas MWD board room.

**UPPER VENTURA RIVER GROUNDWATER AGENCY
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING JANUARY 5, 2017**

Directors present were: Jeff Pratt, Mike Krumpschmidt, Shana Epstein, Bruce Kuebler and Mary Bergen.
Also present was: Attorney Jena Acos.

- 1. CALL TO ORDER-** Chairperson Mary Bergen called the meeting to order at 12:05 P.M.
- 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – Led by Mary Bergen.
- 3. ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND INTRODUCTION OF DIRECTORS** – Each Director introduced themselves and the agencies they represent. Jena Acos also introduced herself and her legal firm.
- 4. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT APPEARING ON THE AGENDA –**

Lynn Rodriguez, Manager of the Ventura County Watershed Coalition congratulated the Board on formation and indicated the Watershed Council and Ventura River Watershed Coalition are available to help with public outreach.

Randy Haney, Ojai City Council, recommended following: meetings be held in the evening to better accommodate the public, when the Board adopts guidelines they should follow them, the Board should encourage strong public involvement and that minutes should be taken and available for public review within 72 hours of a meeting.

Ellen Scalars, Senior Canyon Mutual Water Company, commented that there are many water agencies in the valley and asked where they get their funding and where will the new Agency get its funding. Mary Bergen replied that it is anticipated that, once formed, the Groundwater Sustainability Agency may consider adopting a pump fee on wells within the basin. Ellen also asked about if all the wells have been identified and that many do not have meters. Mary Bergen indicated this issue would be addressed in the future.

Leon Webster, Chair of the Oak Grove School Board, indicated that the school has wells and believes storm water capture should be a priority for the Agency. Mary Bergen replied that storm water will be addressed in the future groundwater management plan.

Kevin Delano, State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB), said the SWRCB desires to have coordination with the Agency, is spending \$750,000 on a surface water groundwater interaction model for the valley. Kevin indicated that the California Department of Fish and Wildlife will be setting an instream flow requirement for migratory flows and oversummering pools for steelhead. Then the SWRCB will consider this need along with other beneficial uses and consider what regulatory actions may be necessary to meet the water needs of the river.

Bill Weirick, Mayor ProTem City of Ojai, indicated he is pleased that there will be Groundwater Sustainability Plan and urged that it be prepared soon. Expressed concern that there are 23 water agencies in the Ojai Valley. Bruce Kuebler indicated the preparation of the Groundwater Sustainability Plan should take into account the completion of the flow studies being conducted by the State which may take 4 or 5 years.

Deborah Pendrey, Ojai Valley Green Coalition, offered congratulations on forming the Agency and offered that the Coalition could assist by being a tool for public outreach for the new Agency.

Mary Bergen indicated that the public could stay connected through the Agency's website: www.UVRGroundwater.org Shana Epstein indicated the past presentations from the formation of the agency are available on the website.

5. **a. Review of Nomination of Environmental Stakeholder Director** – Jena Acos summarized the staff report. Mary Bergen requested comments from the audience. Mary Bergen commented that she felt it was a good idea to have a special committee to interview and make recommendations and made the following recommendations for guidelines:
- I. Consider the nominee's relationship to the groundwater basin
 - II. How they will communicate with other environmental organizations during their service on the Board
 - III. Their available time to commit to the Board
 - IV. Possible conflicts of interest

Mary Bergen moved to nominate Bruce Kuebler and Shana Epstein to serve on a committee to review the environmental stakeholder nominees and conduct interviews within two weeks and recommend a nominee for the environmental stakeholder director seat at the subsequent Board meeting. Seconded by Jeff Pratt.

Ayes: Bruce Kuebler, Mary Bergen, Jeff Pratt, Mike Krumpschmidt, Shana Epstein. Nos: none, Abstentions: none.

5. **b. Review nomination of Agricultural Stakeholder Director** - Jena Acos summarized the staff report. Mary Bergen requested comments from the audience. Larry Rose commented that Mr. Jurgen Gramckow owns easements on the Ojai Valley Land Conservancy property in the river and may be a good candidate. Bill Weirick asked how it was determined to limit the stakeholder seats to Environmental and Agricultural and not have a representative for urban users. Mary Bergen responded that one objective was to maintain balanced representation on the Board without making the Board unwieldy. Bruce Kuebler commented that it was a high priority to try to match representation to the payment of potential pump fees and have additional participation through advisory committees.

Shana Epstein commented that the participating agencies were defined by the legislation, all qualified agencies were invited to participate and the City of Ojai elected to not sit on the Board. Larry Yee asked how a conflict of interest will be determined. Jena Acos indicated the Board will be preparing a conflict of interest code in the coming months. Bruce Kuebler noted that Jurgen Gramckow has water rights in the basin, is president of a mutual water company and should be interviewed. Jena Acos indicated that the nominees needed to meet one of the three requirements and that the interviewing committee should report back with their opinions regarding a nominee satisfying the qualifications.

Mike Krumpschmidt moved to nominate Bruce Kuebler and Shana Epstein to serve on a committee to review the agricultural stakeholder nominees and conduct interviews within two weeks and recommend a nominee for the agricultural stakeholder director seat at the subsequent Board meeting. Seconded by Jeff Pratt.

Ayes: Bruce Kuebler, Mary Bergen, Jeff Pratt, Mike Krumpschmidt, Shana Epstein. Nos: none, Abstentions: none.

5. **c. Adoption of Future Meeting Schedule** – Jena Acos summarized the staff report indicated the Board must meet at least quarterly but will need monthly meetings initially. Shana Epstein moved to stop discussion on this item and return to it after discussing item 5d. Seconded by Mary Bergen.
5. **d. Establishment of Principal Office** - Jena Acos summarized the staff report. Mary Bergen requested comments from the audience. Bill Weirick emphasized the value of having video of the meetings available on line and that the City of Ojai may be able to help with the video equipment. Bruce Kuebler indicated that the Ventura River Water District Office may remain as the "Business Office." Shana Epstein indicated the City can make its Council Chambers available and they have audio and video capabilities. Jeff Pratt offered the same capabilities at the County Government

Center. Mike Krumpschmidt indicated that there is a new meeting room at the Ojai Library. Kevin Delano said he would appreciate having a webcast of the meeting. Mary Bergen said she would prefer meeting in the Ojai Council Chambers. Bruce Kuebler indicated that he would follow up with the City of Ojai about using the Council Chambers. Jena Acos stated that the selected meeting location will be shown on the next agenda when published. Shana Epstein indicated that holding the meeting in Ojai is not convenient for the 130,000 residents in Ventura who rely upon the Upper Ventura River Basin.

Jeff Pratt moved that the Principal office be the Ventura River Water District office and that the permanent meeting location be decided at a later meeting. Seconded by Shana Epstein.

Ayes: Bruce Kuebler, Mary Bergen, Jeff Pratt, Mike Krumpschmidt, Shana Epstein. Nos: none, Abstentions: none.

5. **c. Adoption of Future Meeting Schedule** – Jena Acos summarized the staff report again. Mary Bergen requested comments from the audience. After some discussion among the Directors regarding which days of the week were best for the Board members and acknowledgment that the time of the day cannot be set until the venue is selected, consensus was reached that the first Wednesday of the month appears to work best.

Bruce Kuebler moved that the meetings occur on the first Wednesday of the month at 3:00 pm at a location to be determined. Seconded by Mary Bergen.

Ayes: Bruce Kuebler, Mary Bergen, Jeff Pratt, Mike Krumpschmidt, Shana Epstein. Nos: none, Abstentions: none.

5. **e. Appointment of Interim Executive Officer** - Jena Acos summarized the staff report and noted that the effective date of the JPA was on December 12, 2016 not December 6th as indicated in the staff report. Mary Bergen requested comments from the audience. Shana Epstein offered that the City of Ventura could provide clerical and legal assistance and that Jennifer Tribo could serve as the interim Executive Director.

Mary Bergen moved that Jennifer Tribo be designated as the interim executive director. Seconded by Jeff Pratt.

Ayes: Bruce Kuebler, Mary Bergen, Jeff Pratt, Mike Krumpschmidt, Shana Epstein. Nos: none, Abstentions: none.

5. **f. Review of Financial Status and Interim Budget** - Jena Acos and Bert Rapp summarized the staff report and indicated the budget needs to be adopted by May 5, 2017. Bert Rapp reported on the costs to date expended by the Formation Committee. Bert Rapp indicated that there are no designated monies in the Formation Committee budget that are intended to roll forward into the new Agency but will be needed for closing out the final obligations of the Formation Committee. Mary Bergen requested comments from the audience. Jeff Pratt recommended that a subcommittee be formed to prepare the budget and that each agency obligate \$10,000 to start with. Diana Engle asked how the cost for the Groundwater Sustainability Plan would be allocated. Mary Bergen responded that that would be determined in the future. Randy Haney pointed out that the GSA Board consists of 4 water districts, 1 environmental representative, 1 well operator and 1 public agency (the County of Ventura).

Mary Bergen moved to request that each director request that their agency make an initial contribution of \$10,000 to fund interim operating costs. Seconded by Jeff Pratt.

Ayes: Bruce Kuebler, Mary Bergen, Jeff Pratt, Mike Krumpschmidt, Shana Epstein. Nos: none, Abstentions: none.

Bruce Kuebler asked what the procedure was for getting items on the agenda. Jena Acos said her preference would be that items be requested during the public meetings. Jeff Pratt indicated that normally a Director would ask the Chairperson or the Executive officer to put an item on a future agenda. Bruce Kuebler then requested that an item be placed on the next agenda to provide comments on the OBGMA application.

6. ADJOURNMENT – The meeting was adjourned at 1:55 pm.

Attested:

Mary Bergen, Chairperson

Bruce Kuebler, Director

Agricultural Nominees

Emily Ayala

Carly Ford

Brian Haase

Jurgen Gramkow
Qualification ?

Environmental Nominees

Candice Meneghin – Cal-Trout

Ben Pitterle – SBCK

Larry Rose – OVLC

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Bert Rapp

From: John Krist <john@farmbureauvc.com>
Sent: Tuesday, December 13, 2016 1:14 PM
To: pbkuebler
Cc: Bert Rapp
Subject: ag stakeholder nominees

Hi Bruce. Here's a list of nominees for the agricultural stakeholder seat on the Upper Ventura River Groundwater Sustainability Agency Board of Directors. They're listed alphabetically, not in order of preference.

Emily Thacher Ayala
Carly Ford
Jurgen Gramckow
Brian Haase

I distributed a notice of the position's availability to our membership email list on Nov. 14, inviting potential candidates to notify me of their interest. I also sent personal invitations to several people I know to have been active in water issues in the Ventura River watershed. I submitted the names of those who indicated a willingness to serve to the Farm Bureau Board of Directors, which approved this slate of candidates via email communication on Dec. 12-13.

Emily, Carly and Brian all own and farm on land that overlies the UVR basin, and therefore meet the qualification standards set forth in the UVRGSA joint powers agreement. Jurgen's Ventura River watershed property was excluded from the basin during the recently concluded boundary change process, but as a representative of Rancho Matilija Mutual Water Company (and owner of Southland Sod Farms, which has extensive operations and holdings on the Oxnard Plain), he has long been active in groundwater issues in the Ventura River watershed and elsewhere. He does not meet the exact qualifications specified in the JPA, but his experience and technical understanding of groundwater and groundwater policy would make him a valuable addition to the board should the remaining directors choose to exercise their discretion and waive those requirements.

Please let me know if you need a more formal version of this notification, or would like additional background or contact information for the nominees.

Regards,

-- John Krist
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Bert Rapp

From: John Krist <john@farmbureauvc.com>
Sent: Wednesday, December 14, 2016 9:27 AM
To: pbkuebler
Cc: Rapp Bert
Subject: Re: ag stakeholder nominees

Carly and Ernie Ford own Matilija Canyon Ranch, which is 220 acres across the canyon from the Friends packing house. They grow Ojai Pixies and avocados at that location and have 8 acres of Valencias in east Ojai. The ranching operation was started by Carly's father, Bill Lucking, and has been in the family since 1954. She's a third-generation California farmer. Emily Ayala recommended her

Brian Haase owns a 22-acre ranch adjacent to the Fords and across from the Thachers' ranch, with 13 acres in Pixies, avocados and grapes. He's also a member of a multi-generation farming family. Tony Thacher recommended him.

Emily is involved in the Friends Ranches operation, and also manages the Ojai Pixie Growers Association. Jurgen's background is in my nomination letter.

Contact info:

Carly Ford: carlyinoj@aol.com
Jurgen Gramckow: jurgen@sod.com
Brian Haase: brian@westcoast-air.com
Emily Ayala: emily@friendsranches.com

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On Dec 13, 2016, at 5:27 PM, pbkuebler wrote:

> Yes John, additional background and contact info would be helpful. Please send it to me. Thanks, Bruce

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Bert Rapp

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From: Candice Meneghin <cmeneghin@caltrout.org>
Sent: Thursday, December 22, 2016 12:05 PM
To: Bert Rapp
Subject: RE: Invitation to Nominate GSA Director

Thank you for your email and invitation, Bert.

Please find the information required for CalTrout's participation in the Upper Ventura River Groundwater Basin.

1. Description of your organization, including programs and activities in Ventura County

Established in 1971, California Trout is a nonprofit organization whose mission is to ensure there are abundant wild fish thriving in healthy waters for a better California. We solve complex resources issues while balancing the needs of wild fish and people. Our model of Work:

- California focused, embedded in key geographies, where wild fish influence communities
- Science based and solution oriented
- Build credibility and trust that provide opportunity to work with diverse interests
- Develop proof of concept project success, which establish precedent that can be scaled up

Our regional goals are to leverage CalTrout's sustained presence in SoCal to increase awareness of state water issues amongst SoCal legislators, establish legal precedent on important statewide fish and water issues, establish CalTrout as a leader on state/local fish and water issues, and empower local groups to restore Southern steelhead and its habitat.

To that end, CalTrout's Southern California regional office is based in downtown Ventura. We chair and coordinate the Santa Clara River Steelhead Coalition, and are a founding member of the Matilija Coalition on the Ventura River. We have MOU's with UC Santa Barbara and UC Davis that support our science based management. We prioritize steelhead recovery projects throughout Southern California. In Ventura County, our focus has been on the Santa Clara River (as the Salmon Stronghold for the region), and we have successfully secured funding for key restoration actions.

2. Explanation on CalTrout's mission and relationship to groundwater sustainability in Ventura County (Upper Ventura River Groundwater Basin)

Our mission is to ensure there are abundant wild fish thriving in healthy waters for a better California. Healthy waters, encapsulates the relationship between surface and groundwater flow, and the sustainability thereof. CalTrout is currently administering a IRWM sub-grant agreement with the County and Dept. of Water Resources, to remove invasive *Arundo donax* (Giant Reed) from the Lower Santa Clara River mainstem. This is a multi-benefit project that restores riparian habit, floodplains, enhances steelhead habitat and provides more groundwater recharge (i.e., addressing water conservation goals in the County.) Where at all possible we aim for our projects to balance the needs of fish and people, and look for these win-win opportunities.

We have expanded capacity in our regional office to provide more support to the Ventura watershed. We recently supported the Ventura County Watershed Protection District in drafting a CDFW Prop 1 Watershed Restoration Grant for the Matilija Dam Ecosystem Restoration Project. This week the County was awarded \$3.3 million to pursue the 65% design and permitting for the project. As a member of the Matilija Coalition, we are committed to this ecosystem level restoration approach. A component of overall ecosystem health includes groundwater sustainability and its associated relationship on surface flow for steelhead recovery needs.

CalTrout has also been approached by the State Water Board and LA Regional Water Board to inform the TAC for the Ventura River modeling work.

3. Date of adoption of current budget

June 30, 2016.

4. Name of nominee and role in organization and pertinent background information

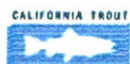
Candice Meneghin is CalTrout's Southern California Conservation Manager. Bringing over ten years' experience to natural resource management, focused on integrated watershed management, environmental law, and protected area management -she has engaged in stewardship extension to ensure landscape level conservation initiatives such as the City of Cape Town's Biodiversity Network, Cape Action for People and the Environment's Protected Area Expansion Strategy, and CapeNature's Stewardship Program; particularly Kuils River Freshwater Corridor and Grootwinterhoek Freshwater Corridor, in South Africa. Candice is a member to both the IUCN: Commission on Ecosystem Management: North America and the Caribbean; and, IUCN Mediterranean Type Ecosystem Thematic Group; and has worked on steelhead restoration and monitoring projects in association with the Resource Conservation District of the Santa Monica Mountains; where she was awarded with the "volunteer of the year" recognition in 2012 by the California Association of Resource Conservation Districts for her contribution to steelhead conservation and restoration. Since joining CalTrout in 2012, Candice has prioritized restoration projects and successfully secured project funding for Southern steelhead recovery (i.e., overseeing the Zuma Creek County Beach Arizona Crossing Replacement Design Alternatives Assessment, Harvey Diversion Fish Passage Restoration Project (Santa Paula Creek), Sisar Creek Arizona Crossing Alternatives Analysis (Sisar Creek, Santa Paula), and Invasive Plant Removal, Habitat Restoration, and Water Enhancement Project (Santa Clara River mainstem). Mrs. Meneghin oversees regional strategic planning, legislative relations, local capacity building, and identifies opportunities to establish legal precedent. Candice chairs the Santa Clara River Steelhead Coalition, is member of the California Fish Passage Forum, on the West Fork San Gabriel River Working Group for Cogswell Reservoir, TAC member for Rindge Dam removal on the Malibu Creek, Matilija Coalition member, and represents CalTrout in both the Santa Felicia Dam and Pyramid Dam FERC relicensing processes.

Kind regards,

Candice

Candice Meneghin

Conservation Manager, Southern California Region



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From: Bert Rapp [mailto:bert@venturariverwd.com]

Sent: Tuesday, November 22, 2016 4:07 PM

To: matiwaiya@wishtoyo.org; pjenkin@surfrider.com; brian@ovlc.org; coordinator@ojaivalleygreencoalition.com; ben@sbck.org; Candice Meneghin

Cc: Acos, Jena S.; Arne Anselm; Bert Rapp; Bruce Keubler; Carlson, Zoe; Ceppos, David; Ed & Jeri Lee; Kim Loeb; Lisa Balin; Mary Bergen; Meyer, Mindy; Mike Etchart; Mike Hollebrands; Mike Krumpschmidt; Mike Tracy; Pete Kaiser; Russ

Nominee: Ben Pitterle

Position: Watershed and Marine Program Director

Nominating Agency: Santa Barbara Channelkeeper



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December 20, 2016

Re: Nomination to the Ventura River Groundwater Sustainability Formation Committee for the Environmental Stakeholder Director

Santa Barbara Channelkeeper submits this nomination of Ben Pitterle to represent environmental interests on the Board of Directors Groundwater Sustainability Agency for the Upper Ventura River Groundwater Basin. The following includes information in response to the four categories indicated in the Formation Committee's nominee solicitation letter:

1. A description of your organization, including programs and activities in Ventura County;

Santa Barbara Channelkeeper is a grassroots non-profit organization whose mission is to protect and restore the Santa Barbara Channel and its watersheds through science-based advocacy, education, field work and enforcement. Channelkeeper began working in the Ventura River watershed in 2001 with the launch of the Ventura River Stream Team, a citizen-based volunteer water quality monitoring project. Our Ventura River Stream Team program has trained and utilized over 600 individuals to conduct monthly water quality sampling at over 15 locations throughout the watershed. Our program follows a State approved quality control plan, and our data has been utilized by local, regional, and statewide agencies for many purposes including to support development of the State's 303(d) Impaired Water Bodies List and the Ventura River Algae TMDL.

Channelkeeper performs additional advocacy and educational activities in the Ventura River watershed. Notably, we have partnered with the Ventura Hillsides Conservancy, Ventura High School, Buena Highschool, Thatcher School, Ventura College, Cal State Channel Islands, and many more institutions to provide science-based field trips and educational opportunities to local students. Channelkeeper has conducted extensive advocacy to address primary water quality issues in the watershed including trash impairments in the Ventura River estuary, sediment pollution from oil development and mining operations, agricultural pollution and more. Since 2012, Channelkeeper has tracked issues related to reduced surface flows in the Ventura River. We maintain a network of water quality and water level sensors throughout the main stem of the Ventura River through summer months. We have participated in and commented on processes related to the region's implementation of the State Groundwater Management Act. We are also notably involved in litigation with the State Water Resources Control Board and the City of Ventura over the issue of potential impacts of groundwater pumping on surface flows in the Ventura River.

1. An explanation of your organization's mission and the mission's relationship to groundwater sustainability in Ventura County and, more particularly, the Upper Ventura River Groundwater Basin;

As noted above, Channelkeeper's mission is to protect and restore the Santa



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Barbara Channel and its watersheds through science-based advocacy, education, field work and enforcement. Our primary focus on water supply and groundwater sustainability has to do with the interface that these issues have with surface flows and the beneficial uses that surface flows provide in the Ventura River watershed. Channelkeeper's operational jurisdiction in Ventura County is limited to issues facing the Ventura River watershed and the Coastal areas westward to Santa Barbara County, though we sometimes work on regional issues (i.e. Ventura County Ag Waiver) that also apply to additional areas in Ventura County.

Channelkeeper currently views surface and groundwater interactions in the Ventura River watershed as the most important issue affecting the health of the Ventura River and its tributaries. Loss of surface flows exacerbates water quality impairments and eliminates aquatic habitat and recreational opportunities. Our organization is currently heavily invested in performing advocacy, conducting litigation, and education to ensure that groundwater management is improved to balance the needs of municipal and agricultural uses with the need to protect beneficial uses in the Ventura River. For this reason, Channelkeeper has followed closely and provided input to the development of the Groundwater Sustainability Agency for the Upper Ventura River Groundwater Basin.

1. The date of adoption of your current budget;

Channelkeeper's 2016 Operating Budget was adopted on January 21, 2016.

2. The name of your nominee, his/her role in your organization and pertinent background information;

Ben Pitterle is the Watershed and Marine Program Director for Santa Barbara Channelkeeper. Ben has been an employee of Channelkeeper since 2006. Since that time, Ben has managed monitoring and advocacy programs in the Ventura River watershed. Ben has an intimate knowledge of the watershed including its geography, hydrology, ecology, and its stresses and impairments. Ben has been an active and regular participant in ongoing stakeholder processes including the Ventura River Watershed Council, on which he currently sits as the alternate Executive Committee representative for environmental groups. Ben has working relationships with federal, state, and local agency staff as well as with management personnel with all of the Joint Powers Agreement entities. Ben is arguably the lead expert and advocate within the environmental community on the issue of groundwater management in the Ventura River Watershed and its relationship to beneficial uses of the Ventura River. For all of these reasons, it is our belief that Ben is the most qualified candidate to serve as the Environmental Stakeholder Director on the Groundwater Sustainability Agency.

Channelkeeper appreciates this opportunity to nominate Ben and to support the further development of the Groundwater Sustainability Agency for the Upper Ventura River Groundwater Basin. Please contact us for additional information and questions.

Sincerely,
Kira Redmond
Executive Director



Nominee: Larry Rose

Position: Board Member

Nominating Agency: Ojai Valley Land Conservancy

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November 23, 2016

Bert Rapp
Ventura River Water District
409 Old Baldwin Road
Ojai, CA 93023

Re: Nomination of Larry Rose for UVRGSA

Dear Mr. Rapp,

The Ojai Valley Land Conservancy is pleased to nominate Larry Rose to represent environmental interests on the governing board of the Upper Ventura River Groundwater Basin Authority. Mr. Rose serves on the Board of the Ojai Valley Land Conservancy, a local non-profit land trust serving the communities of the Ojai Valley.

The Ojai Valley Land Conservancy is a community-based non-profit organization working with partners to permanently protect the open space, natural scenic beauty, wildlife, habitat, and watershed of the Ojai Valley for current and future generations. We are funded primarily through local fundraising, and have over 1,100 active donors. We have protected 2,300 acres of land (we own approximately 2,000 acres in the UVRGSA) in the Ojai Valley, and currently own about 25% of the Ventura River main stem. The Conservancy is also involved in restoration of habitats, including riparian habitats, and is currently involved in the removal of Arundo from 4 miles of San Antonio Creek, management of 10 acres of stormwater-fed wetlands at the Ojai Meadows Preserve, and re-generation of oak woodlands on the 1,600-acre Ventura River Preserve. In addition, the OVLC hosts environmental education programs on our preserves, and produce our own educational series called All About Ojai. Finally, hundreds of people access our preserves each week for recreation and appreciation of nature.

As owners of approximately 4 miles of the Ventura River, we are acutely aware of the value of water resources and their sustainable management. We have actively promoted water-savings on our preserves by retiring wells, discontinuation of orchard irrigation, and revegetation with drought tolerant native species. With a wide reach in the Ojai Valley and Ventura River Watershed, we have maintained active partnerships with a number of environmentally conscious organizations. We are also regular participants with the Ventura River Watershed Council, the Ventura County Watersheds Coalition, and Ventura County IRWM processes. Based on our experiences, we would bring an informed voice to the Groundwater Basin Authority.

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The OVLC's nominee is Larry Rose, a long-time member and Board member of the OVLC. Larry is a fourth generation Ojai resident. He is currently retired after 15 years in agricultural, municipal and industrial pipeline construction, and more recently, 35 years as an agronomist consultant in avocado and citrus culture. He managed the South Mountain Mutual Water Company through the 1980s, and served as chairman of Ventura County Local Agency Formation Commission in the 1990s reviewing city and district boundary changes. He has also served on a multitude of Supervisorial committees related to agricultural land conservation and was the Chairman of the California Farm Bureau Federation Land Use Advisory Committee as well as the Ventura Farm Bureau Land Use Committee Chair.

As a member of the California Avocado Commission he was elected as Chairman of the Production Research Committee of which major expenditures have been made developing irrigation efficiency technologies. He installed the first significant drip irrigation system in the county and utilizes CIMIS ET data for precision irrigation today on farms for which he consults. His construction experience has included construction of tanks, reservoirs and pumping systems. His blend of experience with water infrastructure, as well as land and resource conservation makes him uniquely qualified to understand the challenges faced by the Groundwater Authority and represent environmental interests.

Please find attached a copy of the OVLC Board minutes of June 26, 2016 that indicate the OVLC Board's nomination of Larry Rose. As requested, our current organizational budget was adopted by the Board on September 27, 2016. The OVLC's budget for FY17 is approximately \$1.4 Million.

Thank you for the opportunity to nominate Larry Rose. Please contact me if you have any further questions regarding the OVLC's interests and abilities.

Sincerely,



Brian Stark
Executive Director