



# Yolo Subbasin Groundwater Agency

## Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

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**Monday, June 19, 2023**

**3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.**

**Woodland Police Department  
1000 Lincoln Ave, Woodland, CA 95695  
And via Zoom**

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- 1. CALL TO ORDER and DETERMINATION OF QUORUM:** Meeting called to order at 3:05 p.m. by Lee Smith, Vice Chair.  
Executive Officer Sicke conducted a roll call and determined a quorum was present.

The following Board members and (alternates) were in attendance:

City of Davis: Bapu Vaitla

City of West Sacramento: Verna Sulpizio-Hull (*Item 2-end*)

City of Winters: Carol Scianna, (Kurt Balasek)

City of Woodland: (Tania Garcia-Cadena)

Dunnigan Water District: David Schaad, (Bill Vanderwaal\*)

Esparto CSD: Charlie Schaupp

Reclamation District (RD) 108: (Bill Vanderwaal\*)

RD 150: Warren Bogle

RD 307: James Johas

RD 537: Tom Ramos

RD 730: Jim Heidrick

RD 765: David Dickson, Jr.

RD 787: Roger Cornwell, (Dominic Bruno\*)

RD 999: Tom Slater

RD 2035: Mike Hall

Rumsey Water Users Association: Ken Muller

Yolo County Flood Control and Water Conservation District (YCFC&WCD): Tom Barth,  
(Kristin Sicke)

Cal Am Water – Dunnigan: Evan Jacobs

Colusa Drain Mutual Water Company: Lynnel Pollock

Yolo County Farm Bureau: Lee Smith, (Denise Sagara\*)

Environmental Representative: Ann Brice\*\*

Absent: Madison CSD, RD 1600, Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation, Yolo County, UC Davis

\*remote attendance, member was non-voting

\*\*remote attendance, member provided just cause pursuant to AB 2449

**2. ADDING ITEMS TO THE POSTED AGENDA:** Nothing to add.

**3. PUBLIC FORUM:** Dave Long commented on subsidence and groundwater level issues in the Zamora area. He supports the idea of stopping well drilling in the dryland hills.

**4. CONSIDERATION: CONSENT ITEMS**

- a) Approve March 20, 2023 Regular YSGA Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
- b) Receive Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Financial Statements: March 15, 2023 – June 13, 2023
- c) Receive minutes of Executive Committee: 2/22 and 4/10/23
- d) Approve Payment of Bills in Approved Fiscal Year 2022/23 Budget
- e) Approve Recommended Auditor for FY 2021/22, 2022/23, and 2023/24 Audit

Action: Approve items a), d), and e) as presented.

Motion: YCFC&WCD (Barth)

Second: RD 787 (Cornwell)

Discussion: No further discussion.

Vote: Approved unanimously (roll call attached)

**5. REPORT OF THE CHAIR AND EXECUTIVE OFFICER**

Vice Chair Lee had nothing to report. Executive Officer Sicke provided an overview of the information included in her written report.

**6. CLOSED SESSION – CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION**

Initiation of litigation pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(4) (one potential case).

Closed Session Report: The Board of Directors members, YSGA staff, County staff, and Legal Counsel participated in the closed session item and there was nothing to report. Director Schaupp recused himself from the closed session discussion. The closed session began at 3:28 p.m. and ended at 4:26 p.m.

**7. UPDATE – GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY PLAN IMPLEMENTATION**

*a) Areas of Special Concern – Hungry Hollow Update*

Kristin provided an update on groundwater conditions and GSP implementation actions in the Hungry Hollow area since GSP submission.

Public Comment: Annie Main, Hungry Hollow resident, commented in opposition to the permitting of new agricultural wells on previously unirrigated land. She expressed her concerns about declining groundwater levels, increasing perennial acreage, and lack of sufficient data. Jackie Lundy commented in support of Annie's comments and expressed her own concerns about the Corcoran Hill area where she lives. Jackie expressed her concerns about the permitting of a new agricultural well on a property adjacent to hers.

*b) Grant Funding – Update on Awards and Review of Grant Strategy Report*

The draft awards for the SGMA Implementation Grant – Round 2 funding were announced by the Department of Water Resources. The YSGA was tentatively successful in receiving an award of \$7.9 million, funding 6 of the 9 submitted components. The funded components include Grant Administration, GSP Implementation, Yolo-Zamora Groundwater Recharge Pilot Project, Dunnigan Area Recharge Program, City of Winters Feasibility Studies, and YCFC&WCD Winter Recharge Program. Consero Solutions has prepared a draft Grant Strategy document to help the YSGA plan for additional funding opportunities through 2026. The Grant Strategy includes both funded and non-funded projects.

**8. CONSIDERATION – FINANCIAL ITEMS**

- a) Adopt Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Operating Budget
- b) Approve Renewal of Services Agreement with YCFC&WCD for 2021-2023
- c) Authorize Executive Officer to Enter into Amended Agreement with Consero Solutions to Proceed with Grant Strategy Report Implementation
- d) Authorize Executive Officer to Enter into Agreement with West Yost Associates

Action: Approve item a) as presented.

Motion: YCFC&WCD (Barth)

Second: RD 787 (Cornwell)

Discussion: No further discussion.

Vote: Approved unanimously (roll call attached)

Action: Approve item b) as presented.

Motion: Dunnigan Water District (Schaad)

Second: Colusa Drain MWC (Pollock)

Discussion: No further discussion.

Vote: Motion passed (roll call attached). Director Barth abstained from voting.

Action: Approve item c) as presented.

Motion: YCFC&WCD (Barth)

Second: City of Winters (Scianna)

Discussion: No further discussion.

Vote: Motion passed (roll call attached)

Action: Approve item d) as presented.

Motion: RD 787 (Cornwell)

Second: YCFC&WCD (Barth)

Discussion: No further discussion.

Vote: Approved unanimously (roll call attached)

**9. UPDATE ON WATER LEGISLATION and REGULATORY ISSUES**

Executive Officer distributed the written update for the Board from Ivy Brittain, Northern California Water Association.

**10. CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES UPDATE**

Item was deferred to a written item request from DWR because of time constraints with the meeting.

**11. MEMBERS' REPORTS AND FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:**

Nothing to report.

**12. NEXT MEETING** – September 18, 2023

**13. ADJOURNMENT** – Vice Chair Lee adjourned the meeting at 5:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Kristin Sicke, Executive Officer

ROLL CALL YSGA Board of Directors									19-Jun-23
	Agency	Name	Board/ Alternate	ATTENDANCE	VOTE - ITEM 4	VOTE - ITEM 8(a)	VOTE - ITEM 8(b)	VOTE - ITEM 8(c)	VOTE - ITEM 8(d)
1	City of Davis	Bapu Vaitla	<b>Board</b>	X	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye
		Stan Gryczko	Alternate						
		Richard Tsai	Alternate						
2	City of West Sacramento	Verna Sulpizio Hull	<b>Board</b>	X <i>(Item 2 -end)</i>	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye
3	City of Winters	Carol Scianna	<b>Board</b>	X	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye
		Kurt Balasek	Alternate	X					
		Wade Cowan	Alternate						
4	City of Woodland	Mayra Vega	<b>Board</b>						
		Tania Garcia-Cadena	Alternate	X	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye
5	Dunnigan Water District	David Schaad	<b>Board</b>	X	Aye	Aye	Aye	Present	Aye
		Bill Vanderwaal	Alternate	X*					
6	Esparto CSD	Charles Schaupp	<b>Board</b>	X	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye
		Manuel Quintana	Alternate						
7	Madison CSD	Leo Refsland	<b>Board</b>	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent
8	RD 108	Hilary Reinhard	<b>Board</b>						
		Bill Vanderwaal	Alternate	X*					
9	RD 150	Warren Bogle	Board	X	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye
10	RD 307	James Johas	<b>Board</b>	X	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye
		Karen Chesnut	Alternate						
11	RD 537	Tom Ramos	<b>Board</b>	X*	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent
12	RD 730	Jim Heidrick	<b>Board</b>	X	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye
13	RD 765	David Dickson, Jr.	<b>Board</b>	X	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye
		Doug Dickson, Sr.	Alternate						
14	RD 787	Roger Cornwell	<b>Board</b>	X	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye
		Dominic Bruno	Alternate	X					
15	RD 999	Tom Slater	<b>Board</b>	X	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye
16	RD 1600	Michele Clark	<b>Board</b>	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent
17	RD 2035	Kyriakos Tsakopoulos	<b>Board</b>						
		Mike Hall	Alternate	X	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye
18	Rumsey Water Users Association	Ken Muller	<b>Board</b>	X	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye
19	Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation	Marc Fawns	<b>Board</b>	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent
		Jim Etters	Alternate						
20	Yolo County	Gary Sandy	<b>Board</b>	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent
		Jim Provenza	Alternate						
21	YCFC&WCD	Tom Barth	<b>Board</b>	X	Aye	Aye	Abstain	Aye	Aye
		Kristin Sicke	Alternate	X					
22	UC Davis	Camille Kirk	<b>Board</b>	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent	Absent
		Kelli O'Day	Alternate						
23	Cal Am Water - Dunnigan	Evan Jacobs	<b>Board</b>	X	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye
		Audie Foster	Alternate						
24	Colusa Drain MWC	Lynnel Pollock	<b>Board</b>	X	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye
		Jim Wallace	Alternate						
25	Yolo County Farm Bureau	Lee Smith	<b>Board</b>	X	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye
		Denise Sagara	Alternate	X*					
26	Environmental Rep.	Ann Brice	<b>Board</b>	X**	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye

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Agency	Name	Attendance
<b><i>OTHER YSGA STAFF:</i></b>		
Executive Officer	Kristin Sicke	X
Legal Counsel	Kevin O'Brien	X
YSGA Staff	Sarah Leicht	X
YSGA Staff	Nathan Fisher	X
<b><i>PUBLIC AND AGENCY STAFF:</i></b>		
CA DWR	Nicholas Vadpey	X
Yolo County	Dotty Pritchard	X
Yolo County	Elisa Sabatini	X
Yolo County	Jianmin Huang	X
Yolo County	Kimberly Hood	X
Yolo County	April Meneghetti	X
City of Woodland	Matt Cohen	X
	Jackie Lundy	X
	Mikayla Gness	X
	Conor Churchin	X
	John Fawcett	X
	Dave Long	X
	Annie Main	X
	Mahlon Barklow	X
	Linda Bell	X
	Tom Elson	X
	Ashley Driver	X
	Erik Cadaret	X
	Nick Edsall	X
	Emily Reinhart	X
	Ricardo Amon	X