

To: Cosumnes Subbasin Working Group

From: Austin Miller (Cosumnes Groundwater Authority Secretary)
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Subject: Formation of Cosumnes Groundwater Authority and Initial Meetings of the CGA Board of Directors

Date: December 6, 2021

Cosumnes Subbasin Working Group,

We are pleased to share that, as of November 22, 2021, the seven Groundwater Sustainability Agencies (GSAs) within the Cosumnes Subbasin have adopted the Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement (JPA) establishing the Cosumnes Groundwater Authority (CGA). Additionally, all GSAs also adopted the Initial Funding and Revenue Agreement for Implementation of the Cosumnes Subbasin GSP. The following individuals now make up the Board of Directors of the Cosumnes Groundwater Authority:

GSA	Adoption Date	Representatives
Amador County Groundwater Management Authority	November 22, 2021	Rep: Gary Thomas Alt: Rick Ferriera
Clay Water District	November 15, 2021	Rep: Rick Whole Alt: Gary Silva
City of Galt	November 16, 2021	Rep: Jay Vandenburg Alt: Mike Selling
Galt Irrigation District	November 9, 2021	Rep: Leo VanWarmerdam Alt: John Mulrooney
Omochumne-Hartnell Water District	November 16, 2021	Rep: Mark Stretars Alt: Kurt Kautz
Sacramento County	November 16, 2021	Rep: Don Notolli Alt: Linda Dorn
Sloughhouse Resource Conservation District	November 10, 2021	Rep: Lindsey Liebig Alt: Herb Garms

The newly appointed Board met on November 29, 2021 to begin the work of forming a new organization and preparing to implement the Cosumnes Subbasin GSP. For the time being, meeting materials will be posted on the Cosumnes Subbasin's Working Group website: Cosumnes.WaterForum.org/CGA.

At the first CGA Board of Directors meeting the Board took the following actions:

- Appointed Lindsey Liebig as Chair of the Board.
- Appointed Mark Stretars as Vice-Chair of the Board.

- Appointed Rebecca Smith (Downey Brand LLP) as CGA legal counsel through June 2022.
- Appointed Austin Miller as Secretary and Treasurer of the Board.
- Authorized entering into a contract with EKI to complete the Cosumnes Subbasin Annual Report (due to DWR April 1, 2022).
- Authorized submitting an application to DWR for Facilitation Support Services.
- Passed a resolution setting the third Monday of each month at 9:00 am as their regular meeting date/time. Regular meetings will be held at the Galt Police Department's Community Meeting Room.

The next meeting of the Cosumnes Groundwater Authority will be December 20, 2021.

Over the coming months, as the Subbasin transitions from GSP *development* to GSP *implementation*, we will be utilizing the Cosumnes Subbasin Working Group's website and email listserv to post CGA notices. These tools will fully transition from the Working Group to CGA as we continue to phase out the Working Group and as CGA continues to be established.

If you are subscribed to Cosumnes Subbasin Working Group updates, you do not need to take any action receive updates from the Cosumnes Groundwater Authority. If are not subscribed already, and would like to be, please contact Austin or Stephen (contact info below).

Any questions regarding the Cosumnes Groundwater Authority should be directed to Austin Miller, CGA Secretary (Austin@SloughhouseRCD.org or 916-526-5447), or Stephen Julian, Cosumnes Subbasin Watershed Coordinator (stephen@wackmanconsulting.com or 254-640-0155).

Sincerely,

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