

Minutes

GSA-GSP Meeting

Aliso Water District

Tuesday October 27, 2020

Board members present by video-conference:

Director Michael Logoluso

Director Jeremy Seibert

Director Ross Franson

Director Roy Catania

Board member absent: Bernard Puget

Visitors present by video-conference:

Kristi Robinson

David Holland

Joe Hopkins

Rick Iger

Mike Fariss

Peter Allbright

Ben Smith

Will Gleason

1. Roy Catania called the meeting to order at 1:55 P.M.
2. Approval of minutes of last GSA-GSP on April 28, 2020.

M/S Michael Logoluso and Ross Franson to approved minutes as emailed.

Director Jeremy Seibert Aye

Director Roy Catania Aye

The President then publicly announced the Board approved the motion.

3. Subsidence monitoring, Rick Iger informed the Board that the BoR didn't take readings in July probably due to covid-19 but will resume scheduled readings in December.
4. The Delta-Mendota Subbasin's Department of Conservation Sustainable Groundwater Management Watershed Coordinator program Grant application is looking to being awarded to hire a Watershed Coordinator. Results will be available in early 2021.
5. Cottonwood Recharge project. The District is looking for grant opportunities to help fund the construction and maintenance of the District's recharge facility, currently there haven't been any grants the District would qualify. The Delta-Mendota Basin Coordination Group is soliciting projects for funding under the soon to be released GSP Implementation Grant Program. Several members have projects which exceed the potential funding of \$3 to \$5 million per Groundwater Basin. The Board discussed the idea of applying for \$1 million toward Cottonwood Creek recharge project and asked for more information on the terms and condition of the grant.

6. SGMA updates. Water quality results along with static water level measurements including landowner access agreements are being perfected to produce our annual reports which include updated map information require by SGMA.
7. Water Rights update. Joe Hopkins updated the Board on the status of both our temporary and standard water rights applications. Both applications were filed with the SWRCB and after review came back with a few deficiencies that are currently being addressed. Fish-Bio consulting and MBK engineering have been brought on board by the District to address some technically sensitive questions being sought by the SWRCB. Due to the costs of these outside consultants the Aliso Water District is looking into a cost share agreement with Triangle T Water District who is also applying for a standard water right application through the SWRCB. It is anticipated that the information gained from both these outside consultants will be mutually beneficial to both the Aliso Water District and the Triangle T Water District and able to satisfy questions asked by the SWRCB. There has been a draft cost sharing agreement circulated among the Board and are asked to provide feedback to David Holland. There will be a special Aliso Board Meeting called to approve this cost sharing agreement.
8. Other business to come before the Board. David Holland will be providing the filing document for the District's lease with John Hancock to record with Madera County.
9. Public Comment. David Holland updated the Board on the Sportfishing alliance lawsuit, not much has changed. The judge is still considering arguments to rule on the change of venue and bifurcating this lawsuit. Michael Logoluso also mentioned the District has already spent \$31K on this lawsuit with O'Laughlin & Paris LLP.
10. Next meeting January 26, 2021.
11. Adjourned at 2:23 P.M.