

Draft Minutes

GSA-GSP Meeting

Aliso Water District

Tuesday October 26, 2021

Board members and public present:

Director Michael Logoluso

Director Jeremy Seibert

Director Bernard Puget

Director Roy Catania

Joe Hopkins

David Holland

Will Gleason

Ross Franson absent

Audience present by video-conference or audio only

Rick Iger

Katie Durham

Maryse Suppiger

Teresa Buchanan

Martin Britz

Kristie Robinson

Roy Catania called the meeting to order at 2:48 P.M.

Approval of GSA-GSP minutes of July 27, 2021.

M/S Bernard Puget and Michael Logoluso to approve minutes as emailed.

Director Bernard Puget Aye

Director Michael Logoluso Aye

Director Jeremy Seibert Aye

Director Roy Catania Aye

The President then publicly announced the Board approved the motion.

Flow meter policy.

A polished version of the flow meter policy had been sent to the Directors for review prior to this meeting. Counsel David Holland explained the reasoning for the minor editing. There was a brief discussion on those changes.

M/S Bernard Puget and Mike Logoluso to approve the flow meter policy.

Director Bernard Puget Aye

Director Michael Logoluso Aye

Director Jeremy Seibert Aye

The President then publicly announced the Board approved the motion.

Water Rights update.

Joe Hopkins updated the Board in regards to our water right application with the SWRCB. The SWRCB is asking Aliso for a more intense and detailed flow availability analysis from stream flows above Friant Dam down to the Delta which will take more time and money, this process is underway. Joe also informed the Board of the 7 protest letters Aliso received after their water right application went public and that he has responded to 4 of those protest letters and is currently working on responding to the remaining 3. The common theme of these protest letters centered around a misunderstanding of the San Joaquin River being a fully appropriated stream year around and not understanding there is a large physical difference between the Chowchilla Bypass and the Eastside Bypass. Joe also mentioned he and Sarah Woolf had a very cordial interview with the PPIC that went well.

GSP implementation update.

- A. Aliso received a \$15,000.00 well grant from Prop. 68? for videoing wells to determine where the well perforations are located to help the District understand if the water being pumped is above or below the Corcoran clay. Water pumped below the Corcoran clay adds to the subsidence impact in our District.
- B. Consulting Services for the Chowchilla Recharge Project. The biological reviews have been completed and the streambed alteration permit has been submitted. There are still other regulatory hurdles to complete such as addressing the navigable water of the US with the COE reviews along with some Madera County issues. In an effort to move this project along to be able to recharge in our leased property in time for our next flood event cost estimates are in progress to compare using a pipeline to bypass the regulatory Cottonwood Creek hurdles.
- C. Sustainability Tracking over view was presented by Katie Durham in a slide presentation showing water elevations over time and locations including hydrographs. Aliso is currently meeting their goals and objectives outlined in their GSP plan.
- D. Water quality testing in July is completed along with our fall static water measurements for October. This information will be sent along to Ken Schmidt for future reference.

Other business to come before the board, there was no other business.

Public Comment, Will Gleason asked if the Aliso Water District would retrieve flow meter reading on line instead of the user sending in a monthly meter reading. After a brief discussion it was the Board's decision not to retrieve these monthly flow meter reading, it is the grower's responsibility to provide this information.

Next meeting January 25, 2022

Meeting adjourned 2:50 P.M.