



## COSUMNES GROUNDWATER AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

January 23, 2023  
9:00 am

City of Galt Police Department Community Room and via Zoom

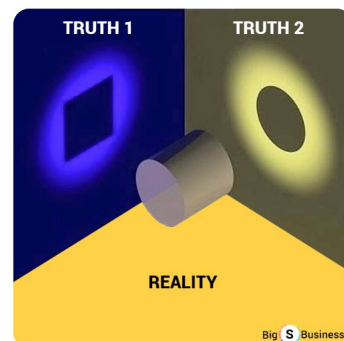
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## Working Agreements for Attendees

- **Participate in discussions consistent with the CGA JPA Agreement and adopted Board Policies**
  - **All Ideas and Points of View Have Value:**  
All ideas have value in this setting. We are looking for innovative ideas. The goal is to achieve understanding. Simply listen, you do not have to agree. If you hear something you do not agree with or you think is "silly" or "wrong," please remember that the purpose of the forum is to share ideas.
  - **Be Honest, Fair, and as Candid as Possible:**  
Help others understand you and work to understand others.
  - **Take Space, Make Space**
  - **Think Innovatively and Welcome New Ideas:**  
Creative thinking and problem solving are essential to success. "Climb out of the box" and attempt to think about the problem in a new way.
  - **Invite Humor and Good Will**
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# Welcome / Call to Order



Call to Order

*Determine if Quorum is Present*



Three-month look ahead

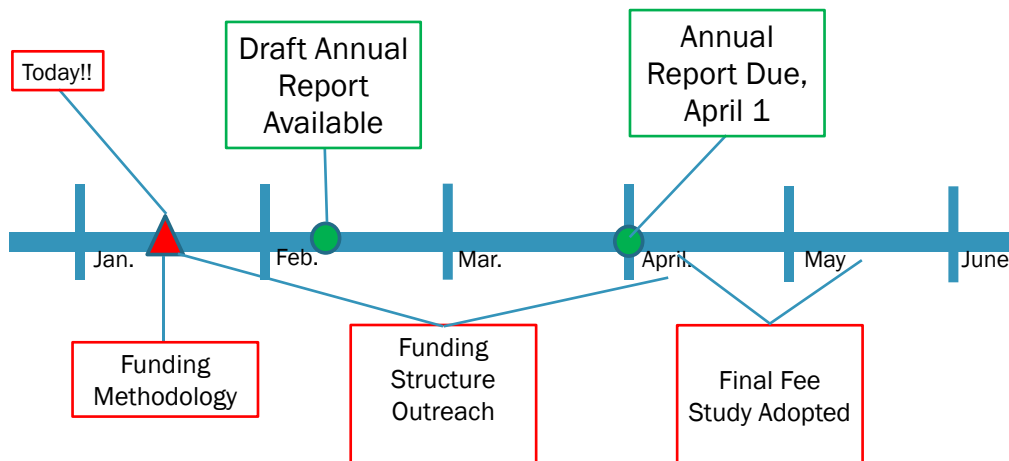


Agenda Review

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# 6-Month Look Ahead



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# Agenda Overview

- Consent Items
- Review of Received Audit Services Proposals
- Draft Long Term Funding Study Presentation
- Outreach & Engagement
- Annual Report Development / Technical Team Presentation
- Board Governance and Budgeting
- Flooding and Groundwater
- Other Updates

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# ACTION ITEMS

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## Agenda Item 2: Consent Items

Agenda
Minutes
Consideration of Findings Related to Remote Meetings Pursuant to AB 361
Financial Report
Delta Conveyance Project Comment Letter

*Refer to Agenda Packet (p. 3-10)*

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## Agenda Item 3: Audit Services Proposals

- Approved/Posted on November 21, 2023, CGA Staff sent the RFP directly to 10 firms recommended by local Special Districts.
- Two Proposals were Received:
  - *Richardson & Company LLP*
  - *Blomberg & Griffin Accountancy Corporation*
- Staff Recommendation:
  - *Direct CGA Staff to enter into an agreement with a consultant to perform annual financial auditing services to the Authority.*

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# RICHARDSON & COMPANY LLP PROPOSAL

A summary of our fees by task are as follows:

	Fiscal Years		
	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>
Audit and preparation of financial statement	\$ 7,900	\$ 8,500	\$ 8,800
First year start-up time	1,000		
Preparation of State Controller's Report	400	425	450
	<u>\$ 9,300</u>	<u>\$ 8,925</u>	<u>\$ 9,250</u>

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# BLOMBERG & GRIFFIN ACCOUNTANCY CORP

## Cost Proposal:

	<u>Est. Hours</u>	<u>Cost</u>
One Year Term	100	9,025
Prepare State Controller Reports	8	<u>950</u>
Total Cost		<u>9,975</u>

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# Cosumnes Groundwater Authority

Fee Study  
Methodology



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## Agenda Item 5: Outreach and Engagement Update

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## Survey

- Mailed to 200+ landowners
- Also available [online](#) (as a PDF or a [GoogleSurvey](#))
- Initial deadline: Early February (pending initial response rate)
- CGA PMA Committee, Outreach Team, and Staff to meet and develop analysis of survey responses and draft a memo for CGA Board review

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## February Public Workshops

- Public workshop/open house information session for interested community members and stakeholders! (*We need GSA volunteers!*)
- Partner agencies also invited to share information with attendees (ag commissioner, CA dept. of water resources)



Feb 4: 10am-12pm  
Wilton Community Center



Feb 22: 5pm-7pm  
Herald Fire Hall

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# EKI TECHNICAL PRESENTATION #37

## COSUMNES SUBBASIN GSP IMPLEMENTATION

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## Agenda Item 7: Board Governance and Budgeting

- CGA Staff, Leadership, and Consultants have been meeting to discuss CGA's 2023 work plan and budget expectations.
  - *CGA Chair; Chris Hunley, encourages all Directors to reach out to him with questions/suggestions on CGA Board meetings, operations, etc.*
- When the Cosumnes Subbasin GSAs adopted the Cosumnes Groundwater Authority Joint Powers Agreement, an Initial Funding and Revenue Agreement (for FY 21-22) was also adopted.
- After the initial year groundwater fee actuals are now know, being 6 months through the fiscal year, and with Year 2 fees currently being collected, CGA has more information to develop a member contribution agreement for Fiscal Year 2022-23.

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## Agenda Item 8: Flooding and Groundwater



- [Local Assistance Center \(Galt\)](#)
- [Sac County OES](#)
- [Amador OES](#)
- [Sac County Ag Commissioner](#)
- [Sloughhouse RCD](#)

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## Agenda Item 8: Flooding and Groundwater

- Opportunities for recharge in Cosumnes:
  - *We have a large capacity in the aquifer to store more water*
  - *Our local creeks receive substantial uncontrolled run-off in rainstorms*
  - *There is existing infrastructure connecting the basin to reservoir storage facilities*
  - *Many farms with crops that could tolerate winter inundation with water*
- Challenges to performing recharge:
  - *Unclear if field spreading for infiltration will work because of soil types in Subbasin*
  - *Need additional infrastructure such as dry wells, pipes, pumps to realize our goals*
  - *Need to engage in complex negotiations to achieve institutional alignment and obtain water rights*

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## Upcoming Grants

### Upcoming Partner Grant Applications:

Grant Program	Deadline	Funds Requested For	Applicant	Grant Amount	Match
<a href="#">CA DOC, Multibenefit Land Repurposing Program</a>	March 15, 2023	Groundwater Demand Reduction/Conservation Planning and Incentives	CA Association of RCDs (CARCD)	~\$10mil	None.

### Other Grant Programs:

Grant Program	Deadline	Funds Requested For	Potential Partners	Grant Amount	Match
<a href="#">State Water Efficiency and Enhancement Program (SWEEP) Technical Assistance Grants</a>	Early 2023	Technical Assistance (TA)	Sacramento County Farm Bureau (former/current TA provider)	\$60-100k (over 2 yrs)	None.
<a href="#">SWEEP Block Grants</a>	TBD Early 2023	TA, Direct to Landowner Incentives	Sacramento County Farm Bureau (former/current TA provider)	\$2-5mil (each over 3 yrs)	None.

## INFORMATIONAL ITEMS



10. CGA Staff Report



11. DWR North Central Regional Office Update



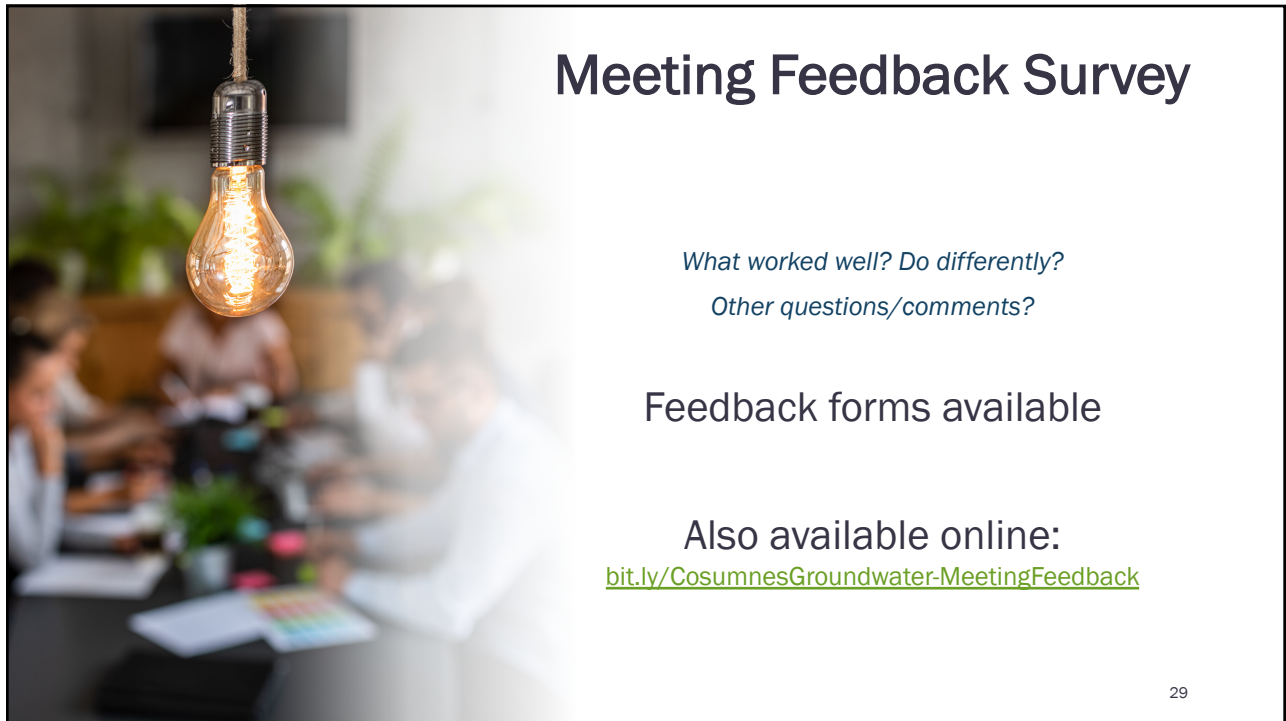
12: Upcoming Agenda Items



13. Director Comments



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## ADJOURN – THANK YOU!

Next Meeting:  
FRIDAY, February 17, 2022

***\*\*Deviation from regular 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday due to holiday!\*\****

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