

Cosumnes Groundwater Authority
Meeting of the Board of Directors
Agenda

When: 8:30 am – 11:30 am, Wednesday, April 3, 2024

Where: Galt Police Department Community Room
455 Industrial Drive
Galt, CA 95632

Zoom: Via Zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85653148920>
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Call to Order (10 minutes)

1. Introductions
 - a. Determine if Quorum is Present

Consent Calendar

2. Consent Items (10 minutes)
 - a. Agenda – April 3, 2024
 - b. Minutes - March 6, 2024
 - c. Financial/Treasurer's Report – April 2024

Regular Business Action Items

3. DWR GSP 5-Year Period Review and Plan Amendment Processes Presentation (30 minutes)
4. CGA Fee Study Final Presentation (1 hour)
5. LOA Water Services (30 minutes)

Informational Items (30 minutes)

6. SGMA/GSP Implementation Update
 - a. Spring Groundwater Monitoring
 - b. EKI 3-Month Look Ahead
7. Committee Reports
8. CGA Staff Report
9. CGA Counsel Report
10. DWR North Central Regional Office Update
11. Director/Member GSA Comments
12. Upcoming Agenda Items

Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items (Limit of 3 minutes per speaker)

13. Public Comment: *Comment will be received for items not on the agenda, but within the jurisdiction of the agency. The Board will hear comment but may not act on issues raised on non-agenda items.*

Identification of items for future meetings

The Board approved the following future agenda items by consensus:

- Fee Study Implementation
- FY 24-25 Work Plan
- FY 24-24 Draft Budget
- Staffing Services

Adjourn Meeting

**Cosumnes Groundwater Authority
Board of Directors Meeting**

Meeting Minutes
March 6, 2024 - 8:30am

** A recording of this meeting can be found on the CGA website at:
<https://www.cosumnesgroundwater.org/meetings/>

Call to Order: 8:37am

1) Introductions / Determine if Quorum is Present

Directors in Attendance: Gary Thomas, Mike Selling , Leo VanWarmerdam, Chris Hunley, John Mulrooney, Herb Garms, Gary Silva, Jay Vandenburg, Rick Ferriera, Mike Wackman, Mark Stretars, Lindsey Carter, Pat Hume

Regular Business Action Items

2) Consent Items

- a. Agenda – March 6, 2024
- b. Minutes – February 7, 2023
- c. Financial Report – March
*Treasurer’s Report

*Director Thomas moved to approve the Agenda and Minutes.
Director Hume seconded the motion.
The motion passed with all in favor.*

Treasurer Rick Ferriera provided a report/update on CGA Financials including current invoices, Profit and Loss statements and the Budget vs. Actuals. The Board discussed the financial report and several invoices in question regarding EKI and Downey Brand. A reserve pot still needs to be developed for CGA as spelled out in our annual budget. CGA will be looking into acquiring a credit card via Five Star Bank to make payments easier. The treasurer is now set up online via Quickbooks and Five Star Bank and has access to the accounts.

*Director Thomas moved to approve the Financial Report.
Director Carter seconded the motion.
The motion passed with all in favor.*

Regular Business Action Items

3) CGA Cost of Service Study Development Update

Ryan Aston from SCI Consulting Group presented an update on the CGA Cost of Service Study to the Board. The Board looked over the proposed cost allocations and the implementation

Drafted on:
February 7, 2023

timeline. There was a discussion regarding the budget and updating it once the Financial Ad Hoc Committee approves a budget for the new fiscal year. The budget was adjusted to reflect the reserve policy with an increase in the \$108,000 allocated. A straw poll was taken to decide on moving forward with the \$10 per irrigated acre fee and all were in favor. There was also a straw poll taken on a 20% movement from the admin & mgmt portion of costs to the state-mandated requirements. OHWD abstained and the rest of the Board were in favor. Ryan will present a final Fee Study Report to the Board at the April 2024 meeting.

4) EKI Annual Report Draft Presentation

John Fio from EKI presented the Annual Report for the Water Year 2023 as required by SGMA. The Annual Report shall be submitted to DWR before April 1st of each year. The WY 2023 report provided no undesirable results. The Board asked clarifying questions and provided general feedback on the presentation.

Director Thomas moved to approve the Annual Report.

Director Stretars seconded the motion.

The motion passed with all in favor.

5) Spring Groundwater Monitoring

The Board discussed switching from CGA-based monitoring with EKI taking the lead to a GSA-led monitoring where each GSA is responsible for collecting their own data and submitting it to EKI. Sloughhouse RCD presented an example of what those costs might be for each GSA and what the reduction would be for CGA as an entity.

Director VanWarmerdam moved to have each GSA conduct their own monitoring beginning in Spring 2024.

Director Garms seconded the motion.

The motion passed with all in favor.

6) Staffing Services

This item was tabled.

Informational Items

7) Committee Reports

The Outreach and Engagement Committee Chair, Teresa Flewellyn, presented a report on the recent CGA BBQ, held at Hendrickson Hall on February 28 from 12 - 2pm. There was a wonderful turnout with 20 new Farmers Surveys collected, raffle prizes distributed, over 30 new contacts added to the CGA database and great food and conversation. Wildeye presented information on their Telemetry programs, Supervisor Pat Hume gave a heartfelt speech and Sacramento Farm Bureau distributed information on upcoming events. The committee will be looking to do something similar in the future.

8) CGA Staff Reports

CGA Staff provided a list of questions for the Board to consider as we head into the Fiscal year 24 - 25. These questions regard staffing changes and whether a General Manager should or can be hired for CGA. These questions will be re-presented at the April 2024 meeting. Staff also reminded the Board that Chair and Vice Chair elections will need to be held in June 2024.

9) CGA Counsel Reports
None.

10) DWR North Central Regional Office Update
DWR update provided via a memo in the [Agenda Packet](#)

13) Director/Member GSA Comments
None.

14) Upcoming Agenda Items
The following items were identified:
- Final Fee Study Presentation
- DWR Presentation

Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items

15) Public Comment

Adjourn Meeting

Chair Hunley adjourned the meeting by consensus at 11:47am.

REGULAR MEETINGS OF CGA ARE HELD ON THE 1ST WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH. THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE HELD ON **April 3, 2024 AT 8:30AM.**

Cosumnes Groundwater Authority

Accounts Payable

As of March 29, 2024

VENDOR	MEMO/DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT	DATE
Current			
Sloughhouse Resource Conservation District	March 2024 Staff Support Services	6,142.35	03/28/2024
Downey Brand	Legal Services through February 2024	3,120.00	03/28/2024
EKI Environment & Water	EKI February 2024 Invoice	15,300.48	03/28/2024
Total for Current		\$24,562.83	
TOTAL		\$24,562.83	

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Balance Sheet

As of March 29, 2024

	TOTAL
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Bank Accounts	
Operational Supplies	97.96
Public Checking (4246) - 1	114,873.43
Total Bank Accounts	\$114,971.39
Accounts Receivable	
Accounts Receivable (A/R)	411,730.00
Total Accounts Receivable	\$411,730.00
Total Current Assets	\$526,701.39
TOTAL ASSETS	\$526,701.39
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	
Accounts Payable (A/P)	24,562.83
Total Accounts Payable	\$24,562.83
Total Current Liabilities	\$24,562.83
Total Liabilities	\$24,562.83
Equity	
Opening Balance Equity	19,180.00
Retained Earnings	327,685.35
Net Income	155,273.21
Total Equity	\$502,138.56
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	\$526,701.39

Cosumnes Groundwater Authority

Budget vs. Actuals: FY 23 - 24 Budget - FY24 P&L

July 2023 - June 2024

	TOTAL			
	ACTUAL	BUDGET	OVER BUDGET	REMAINING
Income				
4100 Member Contributions	440,449.72	425,730.00	14,719.72	-14,719.72
Services	7,816.64		7,816.64	-7,816.64
Total Income	\$448,266.36	\$425,730.00	\$22,536.36	\$ -22,536.36
GROSS PROFIT	\$448,266.36	\$425,730.00	\$22,536.36	\$ -22,536.36
Expenses				
5000 Staff Personnel Expenses (Contract)				
Personnel - SRCD	91,329.86	136,000.00	-44,670.14	44,670.14
Personnel - SSCAWA	6,380.00		6,380.00	-6,380.00
Total 5000 Staff Personnel Expenses (Contract)	97,709.86	136,000.00	-38,290.14	38,290.14
5010 Facilitation Support / Establish Organization		2,000.00	-2,000.00	2,000.00
5100 Legal Services	25,873.28	30,000.00	-4,126.72	4,126.72
5200 Public Outreach	1,222.90	2,500.00	-1,277.10	1,277.10
5400 Annual Report Technical Support	32,514.04	33,000.00	-485.96	485.96
5410 Data Management System	999.18	2,000.00	-1,000.82	1,000.82
5420 Other Technical Support	43,693.03	75,000.00	-31,306.97	31,306.97
5430 Monitoring	7,466.91	15,000.00	-7,533.09	7,533.09
5500 Miscellaneous. Expenses	2,011.84	3,000.00	-988.16	988.16
5600 Financial Audit and Accounting Services	9,300.00	20,000.00	-10,700.00	10,700.00
5650 Funding Study Development	42,957.06	65,000.00	-22,042.94	22,042.94
5700 Data Gaps	29,245.05	40,000.00	-10,754.95	10,754.95
Total Expenses	\$292,993.15	\$423,500.00	\$ -130,506.85	\$130,506.85
NET OPERATING INCOME	\$155,273.21	\$2,230.00	\$153,043.21	\$ -153,043.21
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**Cosumnes Groundwater Authority
Board of Directors Meeting**

Agenda Date: April 3, 2024

Agenda Item #: 3

Agenda Item Subject: DWR GSP 5-Year Period Review and Plan Amendment Processes
Presentation

To: CGA Board of Directors

From: CGA Staff

Background

The Department shall periodically review an approved Plan to ensure it remains consistent with the Act and is being implemented in a way that will likely achieve the basin's sustainability goal. An evaluation and written assessment of an approved GSP is to occur at least every five years and when a plan is amended. Agencies may amend a plan at any time by providing written notice to the Department.

Chelsea Spier from DWR will present guidance/information on the GSP 5-Year Period Review and Plan Amendment Process.

Attachment: Slide Deck to go out Tuesday, April 2

**Cosumnes Groundwater Authority
Board of Directors Meeting**

Agenda Date: April 3, 2024

Agenda Item #: 4
Agenda Item Subject: Cost of Service Study Development Update

To: CGA Board of Directors
From: Ryan Aston, SCI

Background

SCI Consulting drafted the attached memo for the April 3rd CGA Board Meeting recapping the status of the development of an updated cost of service study decided at the March 6th meeting. This will serve as the foundations of outreach efforts this spring.

Attachment: [CGA Draft Rate and Fee Study](#)
[CGA Fee Study Slide Deck](#)

Recommendations

Approve and authorize the final Fee Study Development

Cosumnes Groundwater Authority

Final Fee Study

April 3rd, 2024



Agenda

- I. Budget
- II. Fee Structure
- III. GSA Cost Allocation / Project Reserves
- IV. Fee Implementation

Budget Considerations

- The draft Fee Study references an inflationary mechanism – the Consumer’s Price Index for the San Francisco Bay Area – the budget (and rates) may be increased each year by the CPI or 5%, whichever is less.
- A ‘GSA Reserve’ is also included here, in the amount of **\$175,000**.
 - This will be held by individual GSAs and used for administration and project planning.
 - This has been changed to include more flexibility of use (admin and project planning).
 - The GSA Reserve is allocated to agricultural irrigators and public water system users only.
- Rates are scalable – the full budget amount does not have to be charged for each year. Elements of the budget may be reduced based on determined need in a given year.
- Rates may not exceed the maximum amounts listed in the fee study, except for the use of the inflationary mechanism (CPI) annually.

Projected Budget

Budget Category / Task	Year 1	Notes
	FY 2024-25	
<i>State-Mandated Requirements</i>		
Annual Report Development	\$ 35,000	Development of required Water Year Annual Reports (due annually on April 1.)
Data Management System Maintenance	\$ 10,000	Estimated cost to input data and generate semi-annual reports.
GSP Period Update (5-Year Update)	\$ 50,000	Due to DWR by 1-27-27. Assumes \$150,000 for GSP update process.
Collection of Monitoring Network Data	\$ 25,000	Semi-annual collection of groundwater, surface water, and subsidence data.
<i>Administration and Management Actions</i>		
Personnel	\$ 175,000	Staffing for Board and GSA management, DWR coordination, contract management, and outreach.
Technical Support Services	\$ 50,000	On-call support from technical consultants for regular authority work.
Legal Services	\$ 30,000	Legal support for regular business and SGMA implementation.
Outreach and Engagement Supplies	\$ 10,000	Costs associated with public workshops and other outreach efforts.
Financial Audits	\$ 15,000	Yearly financial audits of public funds.
Miscellaneous Operating Expenses	\$ 5,000	Office supplies and other regular operating expenses.
Data Gap Filling Projects	\$ 50,000	Specific projects TBD.
<i>Projects</i>		
GSA Reserves	\$ 175,000	Funds held by member agency GSAs in support of administration and project feasibility exploration.
<i>Subtotal</i>	\$ 630,000	PPI Index Optionally Applied to Subtotal Each Fiscal Year (5% maximum increase).
Contingency / 5% of Budget	\$ 31,500	5% Contingency applied each year to Subtotal.
Total Expenses	\$ 661,500	Revenue Need to be applied to fee program.

Consumers Price Index, SF Bay Area

- The draft fee study references use of the Consumer's Price Index for the San Francisco Bay Area.
- The budget subtotal can be increased each year by this index or 5%, whichever is lower.
- SF Bay Area CPI examples:
 - 2020: 2.00%
 - 2021: 4.24%
 - 2022: 4.88%
 - 2023: 2.62%

Base Charge Justification

- As shown below, the base charge is calculated by charging all groundwater-using parcels for costs related to State-mandated requirements and twenty percent of the administration and management action budget.

SGMA Compliance Activities		
Annual Report Development	\$	35,000
Data Management System Maintenance	\$	10,000
GSP Period Update (5-Year Update)	\$	50,000
Collection of Monitoring Network Data	\$	25,000
20% of Administration and Management Action Budget	\$	67,000
<i>Budget to Base Charge:</i>		<i>\$ 187,000</i>

Base Charge Rates

- The Base Charge Rate is calculated using the Base Charge budget amount and the total of groundwater using parcels, as shown below.

$$\frac{\$187,000}{5,255 \text{ Parcels}} = \$35.59$$

**Note: agricultural parcels are also charged the irrigated acreage fee.*

Base Charge Revenue

All Direct Groundwater-Using Parcels - Base Charge				
Property Type	Rates Per Parcel	Total GW-Using Parcels	% of Parcels	Revenue
Residential Parcels				
<i>Base Charge:</i>	\$35.59	4,286	82%	\$152,518
Commercial / Industrial Parcels				
<i>Base Charge:</i>	\$35.59	80	2%	\$2,847
Agricultural Parcels				
<i>Base Charge</i>	\$35.59	615	17%	\$31,635
<i>Base Charge With Residence</i>	\$35.59	274		
Subtotal, Agricultural Parcels:		889		
Totals				
All GW-Using Parcels:		5,255	100%	\$187,000

Public Water System Rate

- The charge per acre foot reflects the updated budget projection and average extraction in the Subbasin, as shown below:

$$\frac{\$661,500}{110,625 \text{ Acre Feet}} = \$5.98$$

Public Water System Fees

Groundwater Extraction of Public Water Systems in the Cosumnes Subbasin										
Data Obtained Through Electronic Annual Reports (SWRCB)								Average Extraction (AF)	Revenue	
Name	PWS ID	Estimated Population Served	Reported Annual GW Extarction (AF)					5-Year Rolling Average	Rate Per AF	Revenue
			2018	2019	2020	2021	2022			
Hope Foundation/Moriah Heights	CA0300062	30	27.46		47.60	27.51	33.99	34.14	\$5.98	\$204.15
Ione Band of Miwok Indians	CA0300078	62	5.90		5.93	7.49	7.78	6.77	\$5.98	\$40.51
MP Associates, Inc.	CA0300524	170	0.15	0.14	0.06	0.08	0.12	0.11	\$5.98	\$0.65
Camanche North Shore Inc	CA0310008	255	51.33	52.24	59.18	58.93	52.72	54.88	\$5.98	\$328.18
AWA - Camanche Village	CA0310021	2,384	239.89	244.06	262.31	258.69	244.06	249.80	\$5.98	\$1,493.821
Laguna Del Sol Inc	CA3400181	470	0.00	0.00	0.00	23.92	23.61	9.51	\$5.98	\$56.84
Rancho Seco NGS (SMUD)	CA3400232	27.00	1.00	0.35	0.39	0.23	0.61	0.51	\$5.98	\$3.08
Dillard Elementary School	CA3400254	350	1.74	1.67	1.30	12.83	14.54	6.42	\$5.98	\$38.37
Arcohe Elem School - Main Campus	CA3400271	465	0.00	0.94	0.10	0.00		0.26	\$5.98	\$1.55
Wilton Bible Church	CA3400273	125	0.13	0.13	0.09	0.12	0.12	0.12	\$5.98	\$0.70
Rancho Seco Park	CA3400302	40	4.88	7.18	7.11	8.88	9.39	7.49	\$5.98	\$44.78
Cosumnes River Preserve Visitor	CA3400432	300	0.36	0.31	0.21	0.13	0.22	0.25	\$5.98	\$1.48
Church of Latter Day Saints, Galt	CA3400460	800			0.03	1.14	1.14	0.77	\$5.98	\$4.59
River City Recovery Center, Inc	CA3400464	60			0.01	0.02	0.01	0.01	\$5.98	\$0.09
City of Galt	CA3410011	26,536	4,500.91	4,266.45	4,780.04	4,602.85	4,313.46	4,492.74	\$5.98	\$26,866.60
RANCHO DEL ORO MHP	CA0300053	44	8.50	8.69	7.63	6.84	5.65	7.46	\$5.98	\$44.63
Richard A. Mcgee Training Center	CA3410802	300	42.55	39.54	31.69	33.10	19.21	33.22	\$5.98	\$198.64
Totals:								4,904	\$29,329	

PWS GSA Reserve Calculation

- To determine the amount of the PWS Fee that will be allocated to the GSA Reserve Budget, we divide the GSA Reserve Budget amount by the average AF extracted in the Subbasin.

$$\frac{\$175,000}{110,625 \text{ Acre Feet}} = \$1.58$$

- \$1.58 of the total rate (\$5.98) would contribute to GSA administration and project exploration and be held by the respective GSAs in accordance with their charges to public water systems.

Irrigated Acreage Fee Rate

- By subtracting revenue stemming from the Base Charge and PWS Fee, we can determine the amount of budget to be allocated to the Irrigated Acreage Fee, as shown below:

Total Budget:	\$ 661,500
Base Charge Revenue:	\$187,000
Public Water System Fee Revenue:	\$29,327
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Revenue Assigned to Irrigated Acreage Fee:	\$ 445,173

- Applying this budget amount to total number of irrigated acres, we calculate the Irrigated Acreage Fee rate:

$$\frac{\$445,173}{44,591 \text{ Irrigated Acres}} = \$10.00$$

Irrigated Acreage Fee Revenue

Agricultural Irrigators - Irrigated Acreage Charge			
Revenue Type	Rate Per Irrigated Acre	Total Irrigated Acres	Revenue
Irrigated Acreage Fee	\$10.00	44,591	\$445,910

Irrigated Acreage GSA Reserve Calculation

- To determine the amount of the Irrigated Acreage Fee that will be allocated to the GSA Reserve Budget, we first subtract the PWS contribution to this Reserve from the budget amount.

\$175,000		\$7,749		\$167,251
(Project Reserve Budget)	-	(PWS Contribution)	=	(Irrigated Acreage Contribution)

- We then divide the *remaining* GSA Reserve Budget amount by the total irrigated acres.

$$\frac{\$167,251}{44,591 \text{ Irrigated Acres}} = \$3.75$$

- \$3.75 of the total rate (\$10.00) would contribute to project feasibility and be held by the respective GSAs charging agricultural irrigators.

Revenue Summary, All Sources

All Direct Groundwater-Using Parcels - Base Charge				
Property Type	Rates Per Parcel	Total GW-Using Parcels	% of Parcels	Revenue
Residential Parcels				
<i>Base Charge:</i>	\$35.59	4,286	82%	\$152,518
Commercial / Industrial Parcels				
<i>Base Charge:</i>	\$35.59	80	2%	\$2,847
Agricultural Parcels				
<i>Base Charge</i>	\$35.59	615	17%	\$31,635
<i>Base Charge With Residence</i>	\$35.59	274		
Subtotal, Agricultural Parcels:		889		
Totals				
All GW-Using Parcels:		5,255	100%	\$187,000

Public Water Systems - Extraction Charge			
Revenue Type	Rate Per AF Extracted	Average AF Extracted Annually	Revenue
Public Water Systems	\$5.98	4,904	\$29,327

Agricultural Irrigators - Irrigated Acreage Charge			
Revenue Type	Rate Per Irrigated Acre	Total Irrigated Acres	Revenue
Irrigated Acreage Fee	\$10.00	44,591	\$445,910

Total Revenue, All Sources: \$662,237
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Base Charge Revenue by GSA

Groundwater Using Parcels By GSA						
GSA	Residential Parcels	Commercial Parcels	Agricultural Parcels	Agricultural Parcels with a Residence	Total Parcels	Total Revenue
Amador GSA	169	13	1	63	246	\$8,754
City of Galt GSA	17	0	0	0	17	\$605
Clay WD GSA	11	2	17	6	36	\$1,281
Galt ID GSA	1,845	33	322	98	2298	\$81,775
Omochumne Hartnell WD GSA	291	3	52	32	378	\$13,451
Sacramento County GSA	167	8	56	24	255	\$9,074
Sloughouse RCD GSA	1,786	21	167	51	2025	\$72,060
Totals:	4,286	80	615	274	5,255	\$187,000

PWS Revenue by GSA

Public Water System Fees By GSA					
GSA		PWS AF Extracted	Total Charge For Public Water Systems	Contribution to CGA	Project Reserve Funds Held
Amador County GSA		353.17	\$2,112	\$1,554	\$558
City of Galt GSA		4,493.51	\$26,871	\$19,771	\$7,100
Clay Water District GSA		0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Galt ID GSA		0.27	\$2	\$1	\$0
Omochumne Hartnell WD GSA		9.51	\$57	\$42	\$15
Sacramento County GSA		33.47	\$200	\$147	\$53
Sloughouse RCD GSA		14.53	\$87	\$64	\$23
Totals:		4,904	\$29,329	\$21,580	\$7,749

Irrigated Acreage Revenue by GSA

Irrigated Acreage Fee By GSA						
GSA	Number of Parcels with Irrigated Acreage	Irrigated Acreage	Rate	Revenue	Contribution to CGA	Project Reserve Funds Held
Amador GA	2	40	\$10.00	\$400	\$250	\$150
City of Galt	0	0	\$10.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Clay WD	28	2,217	\$10.00	\$22,167	\$13,855	\$8,313
Galt ID	689	17,584	\$10.00	\$175,842	\$109,901	\$65,941
Omochumne Hartnell WD	149	2,858	\$10.00	\$28,575	\$17,859	\$10,716
Sacramento County GSA	94	6,808	\$10.00	\$68,078	\$42,548	\$25,529
Sloughhouse RCD	327	15,085	\$10.00	\$150,849	\$94,281	\$56,568
Totals:	1,289	44,591		\$445,911	\$278,694	\$167,217

Total Revenue by GSA

Total Revenue By GSA, All Sources							
GSA	Base Charge Revenue	Irrigated Acreage Revenue	PWS Revenue	Total Revenue	% of Total Revenue	Total Contribution to CGA	Total Project Reserve Funds Held
Amador GSA	\$8,753.95	\$400.00	\$2,111.94	\$11,265.88	2%	\$10,558	\$708.00
City of Galt GSA	\$604.95	\$0.00	\$26,871.19	\$27,476.14	4%	\$20,376	\$7,099.75
Clay WD GSA	\$1,281.07	\$22,167.30	\$0.00	\$23,448.37	4%	\$15,136	\$8,312.74
Galt ID GSA	\$81,774.69	\$175,841.80	\$1.64	\$257,618.13	39%	\$191,677	\$65,941.11
Omochumne Hartnell WD GSA	\$13,451.19	\$28,575.10	\$56.84	\$42,083.13	6%	\$31,352	\$10,730.68
Sacramento County GSA	\$9,074.22	\$68,077.50	\$200.12	\$77,351.84	12%	\$51,770	\$25,581.94
Sloughhouse RCD GSA	\$72,059.94	\$150,849.20	\$86.92	\$222,996.06	34%	\$166,405	\$56,591.41
Totals:	\$187,000	\$445,911	\$29,329	\$662,240	100%	\$487,274	\$174,966

Fee Implementation - Water Code § 10730

- Water Code § 10730 regulatory fees can be used to fund GSA program administration – but *cannot fund* capital projects.
- GSAs must plan for public notice 20-days prior to a public meeting (fees imposed by resolution).
- If charging de minimis extractors, GSAs must regulate these users pursuant to the GSP.

Fee Implementation – Water Code § 10730.2

- Water Code § 10730.2 property related fees can be used for a wide range of GSA activities – *including* capital projects.
- GSAs must plan for 45-day mailed notice period and public hearing (protest hearing).
- If greater than 50% of affected property owners submit written protest, the fee cannot be implemented.

Fee Study Timeline – 2024 Implementation

**April –
September
2023:**

Continued fee refinement and community engagement

Fall 2023:

Reconvene for Fee Study Board Workshop

**November-
February
2024:**

Community Outreach

March 2024:

Draft Fee Report presented to Board

April 2024:

Final Fee Report presented to Board

Cosumnes Groundwater Authority

Thank You!



**Cosumnes Groundwater Authority
Board of Directors Meeting**

Agenda Date: April 3, 2024
Agenda Item #: 5
Agenda Item Subject: LOA on Water Services

To: CGA Board of Directors
From: CGA Staff

Background

Galt Irrigation District requested a Letter of Agreement (LOA) from the Bureau of Reclamation to draft a temporary water supply contract from the American River Division of the Central Valley Project which would allow access to an expanded surface water supply and potentially decrease groundwater usage in the basin.

As this is a mutually beneficial agreement for the entire Cosumnes Subbasin, Galt ID is requesting CGA as an entity provide the \$5,000 deposit to the Reclamation. The LOA would be effective until February 28, 2025.

Attachments: [Letter of Agreement on Water Services](#)

Recommendations: Approve/authorize the \$5,000 payment on behalf of Galt ID for the Temporary Water Service Contract.



United States Department of the Interior



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Interior Region 10
Central California Area Office
7794 Folsom Dam Road
Folsom, California 95630-1799

IN REPLY REFER TO:

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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL ONLY

Mr. Leo Van Warmerdam
Board Chairman
Galt Irrigation District
P.O. Box 187
Herald, CA 95638
galtirrigationdistrict@gmail.com

Subject: Letter of Agreement (LOA) Establishing a Reimbursable Account for the Temporary Water Service from the American River Division of the Central Valley Project. Letter of Agreement Number 24-WC-20-6279

Dear Mr. Warmerdam:

The Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation) received the Galt Irrigation District (District) January 9, 2024, letter requesting a Temporary Water Service Contract. The purpose of this LOA is to obtain agreement from the District to pay, in advance, the costs incurred by Reclamation, which may include, but are not limited to, preparation of draft temporary water supply contract; the development and/or review of all environmental documentation necessary for compliance with National Environmental Policy Act and the Endangered Species Act; meetings, consultations and research, other activities required to ensure compliance with state and Federal law, and administrative and overhead costs expended by Reclamation; and preparation of Contracts for Temporary Water Service from the American River Division of the Central Valley Project.

By counter-signing this LOA, the District agrees to the following conditions:

1. The District shall submit to Reclamation an initial advance deposit of \$5,000 to be deposited into an account established for this action. Reclamation agrees the total cost to complete this process shall not exceed \$5,000 absent further written approval by the District.
2. Upon written request, Reclamation shall provide the District with a quarterly statement of account balance and a summary of expenses incurred by Reclamation in connection with this action. In the event Reclamation foresees expenditures in excess of the account balance, Reclamation shall notify the District of the need for additional deposits in excess of the foregoing amount and shall provide the District with a detailed itemization of anticipated expenditures, and the District shall pay the amount requested to Reclamation within 10 days of the request.

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- 3. At the District's request, Reclamation shall provide a detailed record of actual costs incurred by Reclamation within 60 days of such request.
- 4. This LOA is effective as of the date signed by the District and will remain in effect until February 28, 2025, or this LOA is terminated by either party upon 30 days written notice to the other party, provided that the District shall submit additional funds if needed, to pay Reclamation's costs up to date of termination. Any excess funds in the account will be refunded to the District within 60 days after termination of this LOA.

Please have the appropriate individual sign this LOA, provide documentation that authorizes the individual to sign on behalf of the District, and return the signed LOA and the requested documentation to the Bureau of Reclamation, Central California Area Office, 7794 Folsom Dam Road Folsom, CA 95630, Attention: Mr. Chanthea Khoun, or e-mail to Ckhoun@usbr.gov.

A down payment (DP) invoice will be forwarded to you via email. You have the option of sending the check via United States Postal Service mail or via overnight mail. Please remit the DP invoice and the check directly to the appropriate bank lockbox address that is imprinted on the invoice. Reclamation will forward DP invoices for subsequent advance requests. Please retain the copies for your records.

If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Chanthea Khoun, Repayment Specialist at Ckhoun@usbr.gov or (916) 537-7052.

Sincerely,



Drew Lessard
Area Manager

I concur with the foregoing:

Authorizing Official's Signature Date

Authorizing Official's Name and Title

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Agenda Date: April 3, 2024
Agenda Item #: 6
Agenda Item Subject: SGMA/GSP Implementation Update

To: CGA Board of Directors
From: CGA Staff

Background: Groundwater Monitoring

As of Spring 2024, GSA's will now be conducting their own groundwater monitoring, collecting the data and sending it to EKI to process as part of the Annual Report.

CGA Staff sent out the monitoring guidelines, data and information to each GSA via email so they may conduct their own monitoring this Spring. Mid-April is the suggested timeline for the Groundwater Monitoring for Spring 2024.

EKI is still available to answer questions or assist if there is an issue with the monitoring. CGA Staff is also available to assist, as needed.

Background: EKI 3-Month Look Ahead

Per recent discussions via the Board, EKI has put together a 3-month look ahead of activities and actions they will be focused on. This includes the spring groundwater monitoring, state reporting, attending meetings and general technical support to CGA. A 3-month look ahead will be provided at every Board meeting going forward.

Attachments: [EKI 3-Month Look Ahead](#)

EKI's 3-Month Workplan

Tasks	2024		
	April	May	June
Task 1: Water Year Annual Report	--	--	--
Task 2: Groundwater Monitoring	-Review and process Spring 2024 monitoring data.	-Present Spring 2024 monitoring data to CGA Board of Directors	-Work with CGA to address any monitoring deficiencies from Spring 2024 monitoring event
Task 3: Data Management System (DMS) Support	--	-Import WY 2023 and WY 2024 data to Basin DMS. -Assist CGA with importing Spring 2024 data to the SGMA data portal (due July 1st).	-Assist CGA with updating SGMA data portal with missing historical data
Task 4: GSP Implementation Technical Support	-Attend Planning Meeting -Attend CGA Board of Directors Meeting (1 person remotely)	-Attend Planning Meeting -Attend CGA Board of Directors Meeting (1 person in-person)	-Attend Planning Meeting -Attend CGA Board of Directors Meeting (1 person remotely)
Task 5: On-Call Technical Support	--	--	--

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Agenda Item #: 7
Agenda Item Subject: Committee Reports

To: CGA Board of Directors
From: CGA Staff

[Link: Committee Meeting Materials](#)

Outreach and Engagement (O&E) Committee

The O&E Committee will serve an advisory role to the CGA Board of Directors, to provide the Board feedback/recommendations and support in the implementation of the Cosumnes Subbasin GSP's Outreach and Engagement Plan and to support CGA Staff's outreach efforts.

This Committee met on March 21 to discuss the recent BBQ, upcoming Spring Newsletter topics, Farmers Survey updates, tabling and public events for the 2024 year and general goals for the future of the Committee.

Next Meeting: Thursday, April 18 2024 at 2:00pm (location: Zoom only)

Upcoming Committee Activities/Discussion Topics:

- Spring Newsletter Development and Distribution

Staff Recommendations

- Identify which aspects of CGA work the Board would like the committee to provide recommendations/insight on ahead of our next CGA Board Meeting.

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Agenda Item #: 8
Agenda Item Subject: CGA Staff Report

To: CGA Board of Directors
From: CGA Staff

CGA Staff Report

Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Work Plan and Staffing Needs:

CGA Staff and leadership have begun to discuss a Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Work Plan to inform the development of key operational documents such as the yearly budget and staff services agreement (Sloughhouse RCD staff services agreement expires annually on June 30, 2024). To inform a draft Work Plan, staff/leadership are looking for feedback on what should be included. The following questions were developed to spark discussion regarding next years Work Plan:

- How often should the Cosumnes Groundwater Authority Board of Directors meet?
- What staff and technical support would the Board like to have next fiscal year?
- What advisory committees (ex: Projects and Management Actions Committee, Citizen Advisory Committee, Outreach and Engagement Committee) does the Board want to maintain? How often should these groups meet? What deliverables does the Board want from these committees? What staff/technical support will these committees need?
- What public outreach and engagement measures does the Board want to see completed in the next fiscal year?
- What data gap filling efforts does the Board want to prioritize for the next year?
- What technical or staffing support for the development and implementation of projects (ex: conservation or recharge) and management actions (ex: permitting and land use) does the Board want to prioritize for the next year?
- What are the grant opportunities that the CGA Board wants to explore?
- What facilitation, technical, and planning support will be needed to prepare for the required 5-year period review and/or GSP amendment this next year?
- Recognizing that with a limited budget, the ability to do everything on the 'wish list' may not be feasible, what are the top priorities of the CGA Board for this coming year?

Link: [Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Work Plan](#)