

Paso Basin Cooperative Committee Notice of Regular Meeting

AGENDA

May 22, 2024

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Paso Basin Cooperative Committee will hold a Regular Meeting at **4:00 p.m.** on **Wednesday, May 22, 2024**, at the Paso Robles Council Chambers, 1000 Spring Street, Paso Robles, CA 93446.

Zoom Link: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83359446962?pwd=bGJFK3pXYitOQ0hWdk5mZTBXWDFoZz09>
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Members

Matt Turrentine, Chair, Shandon-San Juan WD
 Berkley Baker, Vice Chair, San Miguel CSD
 John Hamon, Secretary, City of Paso Robles
 Bruce Gibson, Treasurer, County of SLO
 Dana Merrill, Estrella El-Pomar Creston WD

Alternates

Ray Shady, Shandon-San Juan WD
 Kelly Dodds, San Miguel CSD
 Sharon Roden, City of Paso Robles
 Blaine Reely, County of SLO
 Hilary Graves, Estrella El-Pomar Creston WD

1. Call to Order (**Turrentine**) (1 min)
2. Pledge of Allegiance (**Turrentine**) (1 min)
3. Roll Call (**Blakslee**) (1 min)
4. Meeting Protocols (**Blakslee**) (2 min)
5. Public Comment – Items not on Agenda (**Turrentine**) (3 min/speaker)

REPORT ITEMS

6. GSA Staff Report (**Reely/Blakslee**) (30 min)
7. Update on Blended Irrigation Water Supply Project (**WSC**) (20 min)

ACTION ITEMS

8. Approval of March 27, 2024 Meeting Minutes (**Turrentine**) (5 min)
9. Update from Committee Members or Staff (10 min) – *Verbal*
 - a. City of Paso Robles
 - b. County of San Luis Obispo
 - c. San Miguel Community Services District
 - d. Shandon-San Juan Water District
 - e. Estrella-El Pomar-Creston Water District
10. Upcoming meeting(s) (**Blakslee**) (2 min)
 - a. Next PBCC Meeting – July 24, 2024
11. Future Items (2 min)
12. Correspondence (1 min) – *Nothing to Report*
13. Adjourn (5:20 p.m.)

For more information, please visit the Groundwater Sustainability Agency websites at:

County of San Luis Obispo - www.slocounty.ca.gov/sgma | Shandon-San Juan Water District – www.ssjwd.org |
 City of Paso Robles – www.prcity.com | San Miguel CSD – www.sanmiguelcsd.org | Estrella-El Pomar-Creston Water District www.epcwd.org

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Agenda Item #6 – GSA Staff Report

Recommendation

None; information only.

Prepared By

Blaine Reely, County of San Luis Obispo Groundwater Sustainability Director

Discussion

The Groundwater Sustainability Agency (GSA) staff report contains updates on the following items:

- a. Report on SGMA GSP Round 1 Grant Implementation
- b. Update on the State Water Project Feasibility RFP
- c. Update on the GSP Periodic Evaluation RFP
- d. Update on a Contract with Land IQ to Estimate Agricultural Water
- e. Update on GSA Approval of MOA Amendment No. 2
- f. Update on Individual GSA Approval of Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Budget
- g. Update on Consultant Procurement Guidelines

a. Report on SGMA GSP Round 1 Grant Implementation

Invoice No. 6 covering the period October through December 2023 has been submitted to the California Department of Water Resources (DWR) for approval. The DWR grant administrator for the Paso region recently resigned and a replacement administrator is being assigned. Invoice No.7, covering the January through March 2024 period, is currently being assembled. A draft schedule of the grant-funded projects is provided as **Attachment 1**.

b. Update on the State Water Project Feasibility RFP

In coordination with GSA staff, a request for proposals (RFP) for the Paso Robles Groundwater Basin State Water Project Supplemental Water Supply Project Feasibility and Engineering Study was issued on April 26, 2024 and proposals are due May 20, 2024.

The purpose of the RFP is to solicit offers from qualified firms to provide water resources planning, contracts and policy assessment, engineering, and preliminary design services as required to complete a water supply feasibility and engineering study and Preliminary Engineering Report (PER) to assess the feasibility of delivering water supplies from the State Water Project (SWP) to the Paso Robles Groundwater Basin (Basin) for various potential uses including Basin recharge and / or for agricultural use as an in-lieu water supply to allow for reduced groundwater pumping in the Basin, including an evaluation of alternatives for delivering both treated and raw water supplies from the SWP.

c. Update on the GSP Periodic Evaluation RFP

In coordination with GSA staff, an RFP for the Paso Robles Basin Groundwater Sustainability Plan 5-Year Periodic Evaluation was issued on April 30, 2024 and proposals are due May 20, 2024.

The purpose of the RFP is to solicit proposals from qualified firms to develop the Paso Robles Basin Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) 5-Year Periodic Evaluation required by the California Department of Water Resources (DWR) and submit to DWR by the January 30, 2025 deadline. Additionally, the selected consultant will coordinate with GSA staff to address the DWR-identified GSP corrective actions from DWR's Statement of Findings.

d. Update on a Contract with Land IQ to Estimate Agricultural Water

On March 27, 2024, the Paso Basin Cooperative Committee (PBCC) provided direction to enter into a one-year contract with Land IQ to estimate agricultural water use using a satellite-based evapotranspiration methodology. A contract was executed on April 18, 2024 and Land IQ will begin working with GSA staff and landowners to site in-field calibration stations and begin delivery of monthly ET values.

e. Update on GSA Approval of MOA Amendment No. 2

A verbal update on GSAs that approved amendment No. 2 to the MOA will be provided at the May 22, 2024 regular PBCC meeting.

f. Update on Individual GSA Approval of Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Budget

A verbal update on GSAs that approved the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Budget will be provided at the May 22, 2024 regular PBCC meeting.

g. Update on Consultant Procurement Guidelines

At the March 27, 2024, regular PBCC meeting, several questions arose regarding the process of developing and issuing RFPs, and Directors requested staff implement an internal policy. The draft policy for the RFP development process was developed in coordination with GSA staff and is provided as **Attachment 2** for reference.

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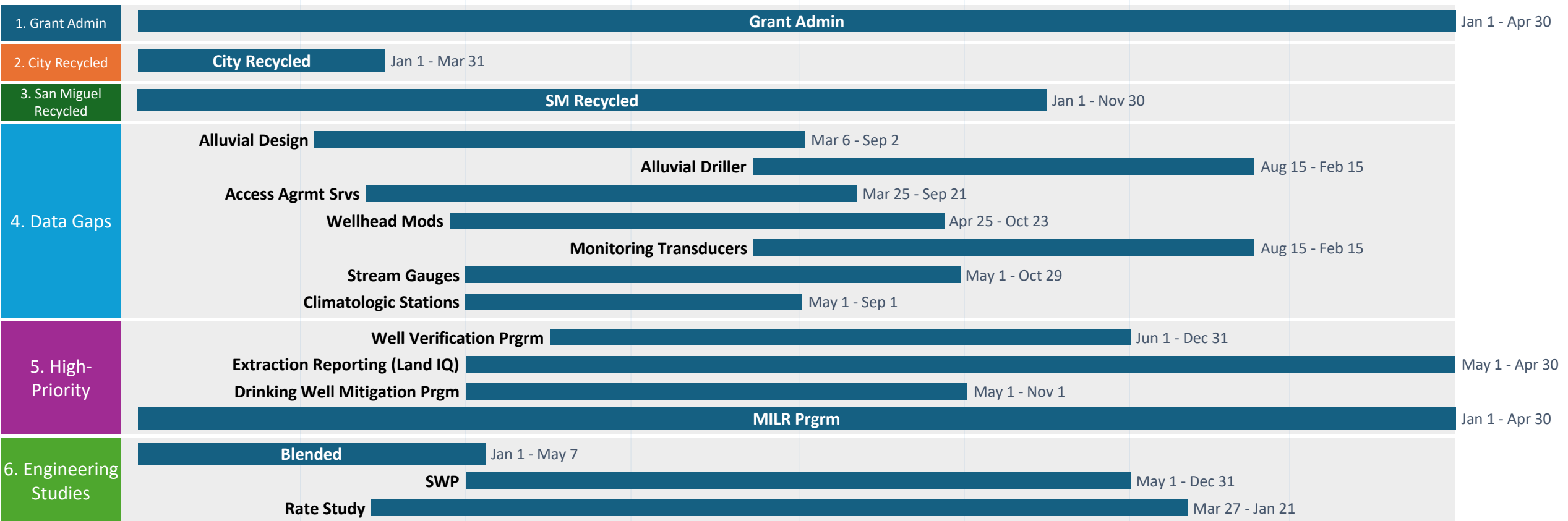
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Paso Basin Cooperative Committee Consultant Procurement Guidelines

Version 1.0

Purpose

The purpose of this guidance document is to establish an internal process for the procurement of consultant services in the Paso Basin to ensure transparency, fairness, and effectiveness in the procurement process.

Scope

This guidance document applies to all Paso Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agencies (GSAs) involved in the procurement of goods and services through the issuance of RFPs for items that are included in the approved Paso Basin Cooperative Committee (PBCC) budget or anticipated to be cost-shared among the PBCC GSAs. Policy version 1.0 is in effect while the PBCC is governed by the PBCC Memorandum of Agreement which includes Amendment No. 2.

Consultant Procurement Process

1. Grant-Funded or PBCC Budget Items
 - a. For grant-funded items, RFPs will be developed in accordance with the approved grant spending plan.
 - b. For Budgeted items, RFPs will be developed as required for any items in the approved PBCC budget.
 - c. The County and City will coordinate to determine which agency will take the lead on RFP administration (Contracting Entity) (MOA Amendment 2 specifies that only the City or County have the authority to administer RFPs on behalf of the PBCC).
 - d. RFPs will be coordinated (developed and reviewed) among GSA staff.
 - e. The Contracting Entity will publish the RFP and select the consultant based on the Contracting Entity's selection policy, which will include GSA staff participation in the selection process.
 - f. Updates on grant-funded RFPs will be reported at regular PBCC meetings.
2. Un-Budgeted Items
 - a. If a GSA identifies the need for an RFP that is not funded by an existing grant or the approved budget and is anticipated to be cost-shared among the GSAs, then that GSA will communicate the request to all GSA staff via email.
 - b. An item will be added to the agenda for PBCC and GSA approval, and if approved, the budget will be amended and RFP development will begin.
 - c. The County and City will coordinate to determine which agency will take the lead on RFP administration (MOA Amendment 2 specifies that only the City or County have the authority to administer RFPs on behalf of the PBCC).

- d. The Contracting Entity will develop the RFP and email the draft RFP to GSA staff for review.
- e. Following coordination of PBCC GSA staff edits, the Contracting Entity will publish the RFP.
- f. The published RFPs are available to the public at the following online locations:
 - i. City of Paso Robles: <https://www.prcity.com/Bids.aspx>
 - ii. County of SLO Central Service (Purchasing):
<https://www.slocounty.ca.gov/Departments/Central-Services/Purchasing-Services/Services/Bid-RFP-Opportunities.aspx>
- g. The Contracting Entity will appoint a Selection Committee (comprised of GSA staff and other stakeholders as appropriate).
- h. The Selection Committee will perform independent reviews of proposals and recommend selecting of the qualified consultant to the Contracting Entity.
- i. The Contracting Entity will select a consultant which will be reported to the PBCC GSA staff via email and at the next scheduled PBCC meeting.

Review and Revision

This policy shall be reviewed periodically to ensure alignment with best practices, regulatory requirements, and organizational objectives. Amendments or revisions may be made as necessary with approval from the PBCC.

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Agenda Item #8 – Approval of Meeting Minutes

Recommendation

Approve the Regular March 27, 2024, meeting minutes

Prepared By

Blaine Reely, County of San Luis Obispo Groundwater Sustainability Director

Discussion

The regular March 27, 2024 meeting minutes are provided as Attachment 1 for consideration of approval.

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The following members or alternates were present:

- Matt Turrentine**, Chair, Shandon-San Juan Water District GSA
- Berkley Baker**, Vice Chair, San Miguel Community Services District GSA
- John Hamon**, City of Paso Robles GSA
- Bruce Gibson**, Treasurer, County of SLO
- Dana Merrill**, Estrella-El Pomar-Creston Water District GSA

1. Call to Order	Chair Turrentine: calls the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.
2. Pledge of Allegiance	Chair Turrentine: leads the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Roll call	Project Manager, Taylor Blakslee: calls roll.
4. Meeting Protocols	Project Manager, Blakslee provides an overview of meeting protocols.
5. Public Comment – Items not on Agenda	<p><i>Meeting Audio: Item start ~ 00:00:00</i> Chair Turrentine: opens the floor for public comment.</p> <p>Grey Grewal: comments we have a problem of not showing what’s coming into the Basin. We have a problem with not showing what’s being evaporated for the Basin. An example is we had representatives that said, people over the Basin couldn't use an extra 25 acre feet of water, which really would have been 20 because they already had 5 acre feet. Now we find out that we have more evaporation of water off of ag ponds than we had, if those people would have been allowed to use water on their property. That's unacceptable. That means we need to look at that, and this needs to be corrected. And now we find out that the ag ponds have more evaporation than what that water was going to fix. And we have too many agencies that are sitting here that aren’t using all their water. This, we would call supplemental water. It’s not being used in-lieu of pumping. That's unacceptable. That water should be used first. If you're not an overlier, you don't have the priority right to the first use of the water. You have to use your other water. And that needs to be identified in all this stuff. It's going to cost me more. That's your problem. That's not the basin people’s problem. We took a vote on AB2453 on what we wanted to happen in this Basin and then we circle around and screwed those people, coming around the corner, having secret meetings, and coming up with people to be on GSAs and different things where the people over the basin voted against them in the first place.</p> <p>This needs to come up to the surface. It needs to be filtered up on. What are we actually trying to do here spending money on projects that don't matter? I sent some photos to one of the staff members here on five months of water that was going into the Creston area that has never been recorded. Thank you.</p> <p>Nancy McDevitt: comments I have been the northside of Paso near Stagecoach and Preston and great and smack in the middle of whole lot of vineyards and</p>

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support the work of Murray Powell and the efforts of all of the people that I live around who are trying to survive with wells. Murray and I have gotten to be quite friendly with all the problems that we have up in our area, but the biggest problem that we do have is the fact that our wells are going dry. Years ago, my husband and I moved here from the east Coast, and I know that we were hoping to develop the land for growing as my husband is a chef (farm to table). It went really well until we, all of a sudden, were running out of water at very obvious times. I have emails and data that I will leave with you and follow-ups of every conversation with everyone, Miller Drilling, Philip Honey and the water suppliers, who charge us for the water that they get from our Basin and then sell it back to us. So, we can't really grow on our property anymore. We have been told that we need to dig a deeper. We did not know, when we bought the house, how deep the well really was, which was 580 feet, they told us it was 500 and we had a pump replaced all of this costing quite a lot of money, which I will quote in a moment. And telling us we had to go to 700 feet and we're talking about \$65-\$75 thousand dollars. So what do we do? Last year, I sent an email to Murray saying you know I'm pretty much tapped out here, we woke up one more time, no water around the beginning of growing season. We had to order water. They brought it out, happily, they brought us \$500 worth of water. Unfortunately, we can only take \$250 dollars' worth of water so they drove away with the other \$250 because you can't take the whole order. So I said well how are we going to do this? Why don't we get our second reserve tank? Build the pad, get that all done, second reserve tank is done, another \$10 thousand dollars. The next time I order water I can take the full order which I had to do. And I want to say around early November, when they had a really cold harvest time and they needed to irrigate to save crops. The point I was trying to make is that I'm buying water that comes from my own basin and I was aware and have been made aware that a lot of the land around us which one we moved here, 12 years ago, was not developed for properties and for vineyards, much less vineyards for people who own them that don't even live in the state of California.

My name is Robert Ersen. I live in San Miguel and am a farmer. I have about 23 acres about 15, acres under dry land farming. I moved here 10 years ago, there's moratorium on irrigated agriculture. So I moved down here, I respected that I went out there with bench grafted vines planned in February praying that it would rain. I got this vineyard to take and it's producing now. After 10 years it is producing beautiful grapes. I would save my dishwasher and run out there in summer, go out there and water, the grapes that were suffering because they just didn't have enough water but I did it after 10 years. Same with my olive trees. I've got 300-400 olive trees fighting every hot day and praying it rains. Thank God the last two years we got some rain. It's rural, everyone's on wells. And then all of a sudden, the county wants to put a cannabis operation in back in our neighborhood and they want to give them water, they want to give them three-to-four acre feet of water to grow cannabis and I'm thinking to myself, wait a minute, I've been sitting here and can't use water and I respect the County's

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moratorium. When they said people need water for cooking, raising families, showering, basic stuff that what we call civilization. We have water for civilization and now they want to give them water and then I was, I'm new at this, I'm not a fight City Hall type of guy, I work two jobs. I was at the San Miguel Advisory Council, I was talking to, I forget who it was, there was somebody from the County telling me that they're gonna offset it with flushing toilets, they're going to change out how many gallons that you flush your toilet. And, you know, you could put some emitters that reduce the water flow and I'm wondering, how are you going to enforce that? And plus, we all know those toilets you've got to flush it twice, So, I'm just here to really question what's going on with the water in the Basin. Again, I'm not here to fight City Hall and make a big deal. I'm just curious and I'm learning more about this. I'm wondering about this offset. It's all it's all Greek to me, but I'm really getting up up to speed on it and I'm just gonna question everybody here, too. Why is it important to grow cannabis here? They can grow that stuff in Washington State, Oregon anywhere where it grows, why do we want it in this County? Do we want to use our precious water for our families who just spoke, who had a business growing vegetables for us to eat, and we want to grow cannabis? They can grow that in Pennsylvania where I grew up, they got all the water in the world back there. Thank you very much. I really appreciate your time.

Murray Powell: I just want to follow up real quick on Miss McDevitt's comments. I didn't hear all of it, but I know her for a couple reasons, not related to water. And you saw the folks that were here, filming. They're doing a documentary on what you guys are doing partially. I was out at her place back in October and they were filming her interview and her and her husband on their water problem and at that time, their well was working. So on, Thanksgiving Day this last November, I got an email in the morning from her. Well, guess what? We got up this morning in our house, it was gonna have water but, Miller Drilling came out and took a look it wasn't a pump problem but a dry well. The well is 580 feet deep and Miller was proposing to drill to 700 feet and the estimate I think she has was \$60 grand. That's for one well, one domestic well you know me I've been harping on you guys, now for a long time about domestic wells. They don't have \$60 grand. So right now they do have some water because all of the vineyards on Creston Road, they're up on Stage, at the top of the hill, aren't irrigated, but I can guarantee you that when the irrigation starts in the next month or two, they're going to be out of water again and what are you guys doing about it? You know, I'm reading this GSP, I know it's going to be on the agenda and I don't see hardly anything that's been accomplished by this committee or these GSAs going back, seven years. And today, there are more dry wells going as we speak.

Bruce Gibson: says he is the County representative here and to please contact his office to discuss the various issues that were framed up and give a projection of where we are headed in the future.

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	Chair Turrentine: closes the floor for public comment.
6. Response to Previous Public Comments	<i>Meeting Audio: Item start ~ 00:13:30</i> Nothing to report.
7. Report on SGMA GSP Round 1 Grant Implementation	<i>Meeting Audio: Item start ~ 00:13:46</i> Chair Turrentine: opens discussion for Agenda Item 7 Report on SGMA Round 1 Grant Implementation. Mr. Blakslee: reviews the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) GSP Round 1 grant implementation progress and invoicing. Chair Turrentine: opens the floor for public comment. No comments
8. Update on the Paso Robles Groundwater Basin Cost of Service Rate Study RFP	<i>Meeting Audio: Item start ~ 00:16:12</i> Chair Turrentine: opens discussion for Agenda Item 8 Update on the Paso Robles Groundwater Basin Cost of Service Rate Study RFP. Mr. Blakslee: reviewed the Paso Robles Groundwater Basin Cost of Service Rate Study RFP. He reports that interviews with select firms took place on March 21, 2024 and following those interviews the Selection Committee selected SCI Consulting Group. Chair Turrentine: opens the floor for public comment. Greg Grewal: comments. Chair Turrentine: closes the floor for public comment. Dana Merrill: comments that it is going to be a lot harder to get State funding going forward and it will be very important to implement a funding mechanism for the basin. Jerry Reaugh: comments he was part of the Selection Committee and says they are exploring ways to get the keep the lights on funding. He says the rate study will not be completed until January 2025 and says he would like to understand if there is a way to expediate administrative funding. Bruce Gibson: says that right now the “keep the lights on” funding is being provided by GSAs. He says it is fair to look at this rate study to determine what fees look like from GSA to GSA.
9. Update on the Paso Robles Groundwater	<i>Meeting Audio: Item start ~ 00:27:19</i> Chair Turrentine: opens discussion for Agenda Item 9 Update on the Paso Robles Groundwater Basin Alluvial Monitoring Wells Design and Construction Support Services Consultant

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<p>Basin Alluvial Monitoring Wells Design and Construction Support Services Consultant</p>	<p>Mr. Reely: reviews Alluvial Monitoring Wells Design and Construction Support Services Consultant RFP and announces it was issued in January 2024, proposals were received by February 9, 2024 and a Selection Committee reviewed all proposals and Cleath-Harris Geologists was selected.</p> <p>Chair Turrentine: opens the floor for public comment.</p> <p>Murray Powell: comments.</p> <p>Greg Grewal: comments.</p> <p>Chair: responds that the RFP was shared at a previous meeting and is a public document.</p> <p>Mr. Reely: adds that RFPs are made available on the County Central Services website.</p> <p>Chair Turrentine: closes the floor for public comment.</p> <p>Dana Merrill: asks what the item covers?</p> <p>Chair: responds DWR identified data gaps in the GSP and areas for improvement.</p> <p>Dana Merrill: asks what is the project costs?</p> <p>Mr. Reely: replies the cost of this project is \$200,000.</p> <p>Chair Turrentine: requests for future items put cost on the slides.</p>
<p>10. Update on the Paso Roble Groundwater Basin Monitoring Well Network Expansion Landowner Access Agreement Acquisition Support Services RFP</p>	<p><i>Meeting Audio: Item start ~ 00:38:22</i></p> <p>Chair Turrentine: opens discussion for Agenda Item 10 Update on the Paso Roble Groundwater Basin Monitoring Well Network Expansion Landowner Access Agreement Acquisition Support Services RFP.</p> <p>Mr. Reely: reviews the Monitoring Well Network Expansion Landowner Access Agreement Acquisition Support Services RFP. He says landowner permission will be required to bring these wells into the monitoring network. The consultant would work with landowners to gain access to these properties for monitoring purposes. He says proposals were received are currently under review by the Selection Committee.</p> <p>Chair Turrentine: opens the floor for public comment.</p> <p>Greg Grewal: comments.</p>

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	<p>Murray Powell: comments.</p> <p>Mr. Reely: responds each RFP are distributed to the GSAs and GSA staff has the opportunity to modify each RFP.</p> <p>Bruce Gibson: suggests revising each table to reflect accurate dates and list when the contract would be taken PBCC for review.</p> <p>Chair Turrentine: closes the floor for public comment.</p> <p>Dana Merrill: asks who from San Miguel participates in RFP reviews?</p> <p>Mr. Reely: responds Joshua Reynolds with WSC.</p>
<p>11. Update on the State Water Project Feasibility RFP</p>	<p><i>Meeting Audio: Item start ~ 00:46:50</i></p> <p>Chair Turrentine: opens discussion for Agenda Item 11 Update on the State Water Project Feasibility RFP.</p> <p>Mr. Reely: comments that progress continues on development of the State Water Project (SWP) feasibility study RFP.</p> <p>Chair Turrentine: opens the floor for public comment.</p> <p>Greg Grewal: comments.</p> <p>Ann Myhre: comments.</p> <p>Murray Powell: comments.</p> <p>Chair Turrentine: responds this item was reviewed at the last meeting and the RFP is now being developed.</p> <p>Chair Turrentine: closes the floor for public comment.</p> <p>Mr. Reely: reviews the purpose of the study and says the goal is to determine if the SWP supply can support the groundwater basins in our area and whether the basins can store excess supplies.</p>
<p>12. Approval of October 25, 2023, and February 7, 2024, Meeting Minutes</p>	<p><i>Meeting Audio: Item start ~ 00:56:33</i></p> <p>Chair Turrentine: opens discussion for Agenda Item 12 Approval of October 25, 2023, and February 7, 2024, Meeting Minutes.</p> <p>Chair Turrentine: opens the floor for public comment.</p> <p>Jerry Reaugh: says on the February 7th agenda Item No. 13, the presentation he gave was a recommendation from PBCC staff and was not an individual</p>

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	<p>recommendation from EPC staff and requested the verbiage be changed to “he notes the PBCC staff is recommending...”</p> <p>Blaine Reely: Suggests referencing GSA staff, not PBCC staff.</p> <p>Greg Grewal: comments.</p> <p>Chair Turrentine: closes the floor for public comment.</p> <p>Motion by: Dana Merrill Second by: John Hamon Motion: Committee approves the October 25, 2023 and February 7, 2024 Meeting Minutes with the edit as presented.</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse; margin-bottom: 5px;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="text-align: left;">Members</th> <th style="text-align: center;">Ayes</th> <th style="text-align: center;">Noes</th> <th style="text-align: center;">Abstain</th> <th style="text-align: center;">Recuse</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Matt Turrentine (Chair)</td> <td style="text-align: center;">X</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Berkley Baker (Vice Chair)</td> <td style="text-align: center;">X</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>John Hamon</td> <td style="text-align: center;">X</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Bruce Gibson</td> <td style="text-align: center;">X</td> <td></td> <td style="text-align: center;">X*</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Dana Merrill</td> <td style="text-align: center;">X</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p><i>*Committee Member Gibson abstained from the February 7, 2024 meeting minutes vote.</i></p>	Members	Ayes	Noes	Abstain	Recuse	Matt Turrentine (Chair)	X				Berkley Baker (Vice Chair)	X				John Hamon	X				Bruce Gibson	X		X*		Dana Merrill	X			
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<p>13. Recommend Staff Develop an RFP for the DWR Periodic Evaluation Due January 30, 2025</p>	<p><i>Meeting Audio: Item start ~ 01:00:36</i></p> <p>Chair Turrentine: opens discussion for Agenda Item 13 Recommend Staff Develop an RFP for the DWR Periodic Evaluation Due January 30, 2025.</p> <p>Mr. Blakslee: reviews the RFP for the DWR periodic evaluation due on January 30, 2025. He reports that DWR requires a periodic evaluation of the GSP at a minimum of every five years. He says it is anticipated that the costs associated with this item are shared among the PBCC GSAs in accordance with the cost percentages outlined in the MOA. He presents the DWR GSP determination, draft GSP update timeline, next steps, and recommended corrective actions and reports the staff recommendation is to develop and issue an RFP to hire a consultant to develop the GSP periodic evaluation while addressing DWR’s recommended corrective actions and submit the periodic evaluation to DWR by the January 30, 2025, deadline.</p> <p>Chair Turrentine: opens the floor for public comment.</p> <p>Greg Grewal: comments:</p> <p>Chair Turrentine: closes the floor for public comment.</p> <p>Chair: asks if the timeline anticipates that the RFP comes to the PBCC before it is published.</p>																														

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	<p>Mr. Reely: responds if it the Committees desire to see all RFPs before they are published, we would need to hold more meetings while these RFPs are being developed to review them in a timely manner.</p> <p>Chair Turrentine: replies if we are going to have an approach for the various RFPs this committee reviews, he recommends a policy is developed for approving items like this.</p> <p>Motion by: John Hamon Second by: Bruce Gibson Motion: Direct GSA staff to develop an RFP to develop the GSP periodic evaluation and submit to DWR by the January 30, 2025.</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="width: 50%;">Members</th> <th style="width: 10%;">Ayes</th> <th style="width: 10%;">Noes</th> <th style="width: 10%;">Abstain</th> <th style="width: 10%;">Recuse</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Matt Turrentine (Chair)</td> <td style="text-align: center;">X</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Berkley Baker (Vice Chair)</td> <td style="text-align: center;">X</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>John Hamon</td> <td style="text-align: center;">X</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Bruce Gibson</td> <td style="text-align: center;">X</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Dana Merrill</td> <td style="text-align: center;">X</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Members	Ayes	Noes	Abstain	Recuse	Matt Turrentine (Chair)	X				Berkley Baker (Vice Chair)	X				John Hamon	X				Bruce Gibson	X				Dana Merrill	X			
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<p>14. Recommend Staff Develop an RFP to Retain a Consultant to Estimate Agricultural Water Use by a Satellite-Based Evapotranspiration (ET) Methodology</p>	<p><i>Meeting Audio: Item start ~ 01:16:25</i></p> <p>Chair Turrentine: opens discussion for Agenda Item 14 Recommend Staff Develop an RFP to Retain a Consultant to Estimate Agricultural Water Use by a Satellite-Based Evapotranspiration (ET) Methodology.</p> <p>Mr. Reely: provides the background for this item.</p> <p>Jerry Reaugh: reports that the PBCC requested a revised proposal from Land IQ for a one-year period and that proposal was received for a total of \$98,000.00 with options for a second and third year for services. He notes Land IQ also included an option to purchase and install weather stations which would be owned by the County for an additional cost.</p> <p>Chair Turrentine: asks if costs for this proposal are grant funded?</p> <p>Mr. Reely: responds yes with the exception of the covariance stations, which would require confirmation from DWR if additional weather stations would be eligible for grant reimbursement.</p> <p>Mr. Reely: comments that the numbers presented in the slides presented by Mr. Reaugh were from a proposal received last night so most GSA have not been able to review the proposal.</p> <p>Chair Turrentine: opens the floor for public comment.</p> <p>Greg Grewal: comments.</p>																														

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Ann Myhre: comments.

Murray Powell: comments.

Jerry Lohr: comments.

Chair Turrentine: closes the floor for public comment.

Dana Merrill: says we need to make progress to hold out on requiring every well to be metered. He says ET is heavily used by big water districts throughout the Central Valley and utilizing meter data and gathering it into a database is costly. He says the presentation we received was good and had some good information and Land IQ was willing to work with us based on our size and needs.

Berkley Baker: asks what the value of one year. He says it seems like it needs to be a long-term project to make sense. He also asks if the basin has enough wells to appropriately groundtruth the system. In terms of cost, he says this is an issue for San Miguel Community Services District and there are 900 people that pay for everything they do, and this is important to consider.

Chair Turrentine: comments something like this needs to happen on a one-year basis and something is going to need to happen on a longer term basis. As far as cost is concerned, we also need to make this as equitable as possible and that is what the rate study is going to help with. He says the Land IQ service is being used by a lot of entities in California and by DWR for SGMA related purposes and is in support of the proposal.

John Hamon: says ET is an excellent tool and is in agreement that this is something that we need to do and will continue to use.

Mr. Reely: reports that contracting would be done by the County, and it was broken up by year because year one could potentially be funded with grant funds. He says we also have the question of can the County go through with the sole source and need to look into this.

Bruce Gibson: says we need to do something like this and also groundtruth it so that we can ensure it is accurate. He says he is fully supportive and happy to support the motion.

Berkley Baker: asks for clarification on the proposal included in the packet and costs associated with groundtruth stations.

Mr. Reely: replies the proposal included in the packet is not the most recent proposal we have received.

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	<p>Chair Turrentine: says we have consensus to move forward with a one-year contract.</p> <p>John Hamon: says he is supportive of including 2 and 3 years in the proposal.</p> <p>Mr. Reely: clarifies that the contract language can be added to include the potential to extended for 2 or 3 years.</p> <p>Motion by: Dana Merrill Second by: Bruce Gibson Motion: Direct staff to proceed with the proposal as presented and confirm it can be sole-sourced.</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse; margin-top: 10px;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="text-align: left;">Members</th> <th style="text-align: center;">Ayes</th> <th style="text-align: center;">Noes</th> <th style="text-align: center;">Abstain</th> <th style="text-align: center;">Recuse</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Matt Turrentine (Chair)</td> <td style="text-align: center;">X</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Berkley Baker (Vice Chair)</td> <td></td> <td style="text-align: center;">X</td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>John Hamon</td> <td style="text-align: center;">X</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Bruce Gibson</td> <td style="text-align: center;">X</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Dana Merrill</td> <td style="text-align: center;">X</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Members	Ayes	Noes	Abstain	Recuse	Matt Turrentine (Chair)	X				Berkley Baker (Vice Chair)		X			John Hamon	X				Bruce Gibson	X				Dana Merrill	X			
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<p>15. Presentation and Potential Action on Annual Report Submittal for Water Year 2023</p>	<p><i>Meeting Audio: Item start ~ 01:53:44</i></p> <p>Chair Turrentine: opens discussion for Agenda Item 15 Presentation and Potential Action on Annual Report Submittal for Water Year 2023.</p> <p>Taylor Blakslee: reviews the Water Year 2023 Annual Report and comments received and incorporated as revisions to the Water Year 2023 Annual Report. He notes several comments were received and reviewed by GSA staff. He says some comments were incorporated and are included in Appendix L of the report.</p> <p>Nate Page: provides background on GSI’s preparation of the WY 2023 Annual Report and notes GSI has prepared these updates for the last 3 years. Mr. Page reviews the updates including groundwater elevations for spring and fall, water use information, change in groundwater storage, and updates on projects and management actions.</p> <p>Chair Turrentine: opens the floor for public comment.</p> <p>Greg Grewal: comments.</p> <p>Murray Powell: comments.</p> <p>Chair Turrentine: closes the floor for public comment.</p> <p>Bruce Gibson: thanks staff for their hard work and dedication and appreciate the improvements made.</p> <p>Berkley Baker: asks what the level of accuracy is for the tables and charts.</p>																														

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	<p>Mr. Page: responds that all charts and tables are developed using the best data available without ground truthing, and is why he is supportive of Land IQ to help verify some of that information.</p> <p>Motion by: Bruce Gibson Second by: John Hamon Motion: Approve the Water Year 2023 Annual Report and submit to DWR.</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="width: 60%;">Members</th> <th style="width: 10%;">Ayes</th> <th style="width: 10%;">Noes</th> <th style="width: 10%;">Abstain</th> <th style="width: 10%;">Recuse</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Matt Turrentine (Chair)</td> <td style="text-align: center;">X</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Berkley Baker (Vice Chair)</td> <td style="text-align: center;">X</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>John Hamon</td> <td style="text-align: center;">X</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Bruce Gibson</td> <td style="text-align: center;">X</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Dana Merrill</td> <td style="text-align: center;">X</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Members	Ayes	Noes	Abstain	Recuse	Matt Turrentine (Chair)	X				Berkley Baker (Vice Chair)	X				John Hamon	X				Bruce Gibson	X				Dana Merrill	X			
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<p>16. Recommend Individual GSAs Approve the PBCC Draft Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Budget</p>	<p><i>Meeting Audio: Item start ~ 02:22:57</i> Chair Turrentine: opens discussion for Agenda Item 16 Recommend Individual GSAs Approve the PBCC Draft Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Budget.</p> <p>Mr. Blakslee: reviews the draft Fiscal Year (FY) 2024-2025 Budget and timeline. He reports the GSA staff met in early March to refine the budget and reduced FY 2024-2025 costs for non-grant funded costs to \$600,000.</p> <p>Chair Turrentine: opens the floor for public comment.</p> <p>Murray Powell: comments.</p> <p>Chair Turrentine: closes the floor for public comment.</p> <p>Motion by: John Hamon Second by: Bruce Gibson Motion: Recommend individual GSAs adopt the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 budget.</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="width: 60%;">Members</th> <th style="width: 10%;">Ayes</th> <th style="width: 10%;">Noes</th> <th style="width: 10%;">Abstain</th> <th style="width: 10%;">Recuse</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Matt Turrentine (Chair)</td> <td style="text-align: center;">X</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Berkley Baker (Vice Chair)</td> <td style="text-align: center;">X</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>John Hamon</td> <td style="text-align: center;">X</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Bruce Gibson</td> <td style="text-align: center;">X</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Dana Merrill</td> <td style="text-align: center;">X</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Members	Ayes	Noes	Abstain	Recuse	Matt Turrentine (Chair)	X				Berkley Baker (Vice Chair)	X				John Hamon	X				Bruce Gibson	X				Dana Merrill	X			
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<p>17. Update from Member GSA PBCC Staff</p> <p style="margin-left: 20px;">a. City of Paso Robles</p> <p style="margin-left: 20px;">b. County of</p>	<p><i>Meeting Audio: Item start ~ 02:30:25</i> Chair Turrentine: opens discussion for Agenda Item 15 Update from Member GSA PBCC Staff.</p> <p>Nothing to report.</p>																														

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<p>San Luis Obispo</p> <p>c. San Miguel Community Services District</p> <p>d. Shandon-San Juan Water District</p> <p>e. Estrella-El Pomar-Creston Water District</p>	
18. Upcoming meeting(s)	<p><i>Meeting Audio: Item start ~ 02:30:50</i></p> <p>Chair Turrentine: opens discussion for Agenda Item 18 Upcoming meeting(s).</p> <p>Taylor Blakslee: reports the next regular scheduled PBCC meeting is on May 22, 2024.</p>
19. Future Items	<p><i>Meeting Audio: Item start ~ 02:31:09</i></p> <p>Bruce Gibson: notes the SWP RFP is in development and we should be seeing results of that and would also like an update on basin outreach efforts.</p>
20. Correspondence	<p><i>Meeting Audio: Item start ~ 02:32:03</i></p> <p>Chair Turrentine: opens discussion for Agenda Item 20 Correspondence.</p> <p>No correspondence was presented.</p>
21. Adjourn	<p>Chair Turrentine adjourns the meeting at 6:34 p.m.</p>

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