

EASTERN SAN JOAQUIN GROUNDWATER AUTHORITY
Board Meeting
June 11th, 2025

I. CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & SAFETY ANNOUNCEMENT/ROLL CALL

The Eastern San Joaquin Groundwater Authority (GWA) Board Meeting convened at the Council of Governments building at 555 E. Weber Ave. Stockton, CA 95202. At approximately 10:30 a.m., the meeting was called to order by Chairman, Robert Holmes.

In attendance were Directors and Alternates: Richard Wagner, Dante Nomellini, Regina Lackey, Travis Kahrs, Christy McKinnon, Douglas Smith, Mike Henry, Jason Colombini, Chairman Robert Holmes, Keith Bussman, Mel Panizza, and Scot Moody.

II. SCHEDULED ITEMS

A. Discussion/Action Items

1. Approval of April 9th, 2025, Meeting Minutes

Motion: Mel Panizza

Second: Keith Bussman

2. Receive Financial Report

Khawaja Saifuddin from San Joaquin County, Water Resources shared expenses reported as of May 31st is 1.4 million, with a 2.7-million-dollar balance. All GSAs have paid their contributions and the balance is up to date.

3. Presentation of Preliminary 2025-2026 Annual Work Plan and Budget

Steve Schwabauer from North San Joaquin Conservation District, shared the difference between last fiscal year, and the upcoming fiscal year is 850K from the GSP update has been spent, ARPA funding is holding for future projects with San Joaquin County. Brandon Nakagawa shared this vote at the July meeting which will need to be passed by 2/3 of the Board.

4. Presentation of Preliminary 2025-2026 ESJGWA SGMA Budget

Khawaja Saifuddin shared in addition to the grant, 3.3 million for groundwater recharge, Delta related improvement projects for 300K, and 3.9 million for system improvements.

5. GSA Spotlight – Lockford Community Services District (LCSD) & Oakdale Irrigation

Director Mike Henry shared some updates from Lockford Community Services District.

- LCSD is groundwater dependent with 4 district wells and completely monitored
- Groundwater depth is currently 140 feet
- A Community Service Center and a Sheriff's substation was recently built

No update was shared by Oakdale Irrigation.

III. STAFF/DWR Report

A. Staff Report – None

B. DWR Report – Chelsea Spier, of DWR reviewed highlights of her DWR report.

IV. DIRECTORS' COMMENTS

Chairman Robert Holmes stated the ESJGWA met in a closed session prior to the Board Meeting in which there is no reportable action to share.

V. PUBLIC COMMENTS – none

VI. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS – Chairman Robert Holmes shared two items, Demand Management and Groundwater Accounting Framework

VII. ADJOURNMENT at 11:40 am