



McMullin Area
Groundwater Sustainability Agency

AGENDA
**MCMULLIN AREA GROUNDWATER
SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
SPECIAL MEETING
September 2, 2020**

Note: In accordance with the Governor's Executive Order (N-29-20) and the declared State of Emergency, including social distancing directives as a result of the potential threat associated with the COVID-19 virus, members of the Board of Directors and MAGSA staff will be participating in this meeting remotely. **There will not be a physical location for this meeting.** Members of the public may participate in the meeting by accessing the Zoom connection or by accessing the call-in information listed below. The public is encouraged to contact MAGSA directly through the website, through email, by telephone to the office, by dropping off to the office or by direct mail to the office if they wish to communicate or otherwise provide comment on any subject appearing on this Agenda.

PLEASE NOTE: The Board will convene a Closed Session portion of the meeting at 1:30 PM. Immediately thereafter, or at 2:00 PM, whichever is later, the Board will convene in open session to complete the balance of the meeting agenda. No change in Zoom details is required. Members of the public should simply connect to the Zoom link at the regular 2:00 PM appointed time.

ZOOM DETAILS

Topic: MAGSA Board Meeting 9/2/2020
Time: Sep 2, 2020 01:30 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting
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CALL TO ORDER: 1:30 P.M. District Virtual Boardroom

ROLL CALL: Matt Abercrombie, Gagan Batth, Brian Pacheco, Jerry Rai, Jeevan Singh

I. CLOSED SESSION

1. Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation
 - a. Status of litigation pursuant to paragraph (1) of Government Code Section 54956.9(d).
Fresno Sup. Ct. 20CECG00507 - MAGSA v James Irrigation, et al.
(in transit to Ventura County Superior Court)
2. Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation
Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to paragraph (2) of Government Code Section 54956.9(d): (One potential case)

II. REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION

The Board Chairman will report on actions taken during Closed Session.

The Board will then re-convene in Open Session to complete the agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENT: The Board of Directors welcomes participation in Board meetings. The public may address matters under the jurisdiction of the Board that have not been posted in the Agenda. However, California Law prohibits the Board from taking action on any matter that is not on the posted Agenda unless the Board determines that it is an emergency or one of the other situations specified in Government Code section 54954.2. The public will be given the opportunity to address the Board on any item on the Agenda at this time or before the Board's consideration of that item. The Board reserves the right to consider any item of the agenda in any order. If members of the public desire to address the Board relative to a particular Agenda item at the time it is to be considered, they should so notify the Chairman of the Board at this time. The Chairman may limit the total amount of time allocated for public testimony on particular issues for each individual speaker. Public comments are encouraged.

Please note that there will be brief instruction on the order and method that public comment will be received due to the virtual nature of the meeting. We will do our best to get everyone heard. **Please be sure to mute your telephone during the meeting if you are using the call-in option to minimize interruption.** We thank you in advance for your understanding and cooperation. It is anticipated that this time will be the only time that public comment will likely be possible. See the opening paragraph of the Agenda for additional communication recommendations.

Potential Conflicts of Interest Notice

(Any Board member who has a potential conflict of interest may now identify the item and recuse himself from discussing and voting on the matter.) [FPPC § 87105.]

III. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Board will review and approve draft minutes for the July 15, 2020 Special Meeting.

IV. FINANCIAL

1. The Board will review and authorize/ratify payment of financial obligations of the Agency since the last approved actions.
2. The Board will review and authorize/approve a contract for audit services with the Agency's auditors, Cuttone and Mastro, CPAs, for preparation of an audit of the financial condition of the Agency for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020.

V. GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Recommendation to the Board for consideration/action regarding the following:

1. General Manager Report
 - a) General
 - b) MAGSA and Raisin City Project Possibilities
 - c) Marketing Grant - Geosyntec Team Report
 - d) Grant Opportunities/Awards
 - 1) MAGSA Resolution 2020-05, A Resolution In Support of the Application for the BOR WaterSMART Water and Energy Efficiency Grant Program – MAGSA Metering GW Extraction and Remote Telemetry for Water Marketing Project
 - 2) MAGSA Resolution 2020-06, A Resolution In Support of the Application for the California Department of Conservation 2020 Sustainable Groundwater Management Watershed Coordinator Program Grant – Funding for Staffing a Watershed Coordinator Position in Support of a Collaborative Effort for SGMA Implementation with Tranquillity Resource Conservation District and other Local Agencies in the Lower San Joaquin and Kings River Watersheds – (No Matching Funds Required)
 - 3) Report on Status of additional grant opportunities
2. The Board will receive a report on the status of draft MAGSA Policy documents that were released for Public and Committee Comment at the July 15, 2020 Board Meeting and a recommendation from MAGSA staff and General Counsel for adoption of the draft Policy documents in the form before the Board, or with such other modification, addition or action as further directed by the Board, on the following items of proposed MAGSA Policy:
 - A. Groundwater Data Policy**
3. The Board will receive a report on the status of draft MAGSA Policy documents and a recommendation from MAGSA staff and General Counsel for release of said Policy documents for review and comment as specified in the Amended Bylaws on the following items of proposed MAGSA Policy:
 - B. Groundwater Export Policy**
 - C. Groundwater Banking Policy**

VI. GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY PLAN IMPLEMENTATION

Recommendation to the Board for consideration/action regarding the following:

1. The Board will receive a report on progress made to date in the implementation of planning and design for projects consistent with the goals and objectives contained in the MAGSA GSP and will hear existing and anticipated MAGSA activities and other recommendations relative to the implementation of the GSP. The Board will also receive a report on the status of the continued coordination of the Kings Subbasin GSAs.

VII. DIRECTORS REPORTS

Each Director will have the opportunity to report on meetings and other events attended on behalf of or of interest to MAGSA since the last MAGSA Board meeting.

- a) Report from County of Fresno (Pacheco/Abercrombie)
- b) Report from Raisin City WD (Batth/Rai)
- c) Report from Mid-Valley WD (Singh)

VIII. AD HOC COMMITTEES

1. The Board will hear reports from the following Ad-Hoc committees:
 - a) Outreach (Tufenkjian/Quist/Hurley)

IX. UPCOMING MEETINGS

The next meeting of the MAGSA Board is scheduled for **October 7, 2020**

MAGSA Stakeholder Committee Meeting	Sept 9, 2020 (Virtual)
MAGSA Technical Advisory Committee Meeting	Sept 9, 2020 (Virtual)
Mid-Valley Water District BOD	TBD
Raisin City Water District BOD	Sept 22, 2020

X. ADJOURNMENT

Adjourn to the next Regular Meeting on October 7, 2020, 2:00 P.M., Boardroom of the Agency or as otherwise directed by the Board.

- ❖ Items on the Agenda may be taken in any order.
- ❖ Action may be taken on any item listed on the Agenda.
- ❖ Writings relating to open session Agenda items that are distributed to members of the Board of Directors, excluding writings that are not public records or are exempt from disclosure under the California Public Records Acts, will be available for inspection at the Agency office at 275 S. Madera Avenue, Suite 301, Kerman, California 93630 during normal business hours.

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