MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE MCMULLIN AREA GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY
November 7, 2025

The Board of Directors of the McMullin Area Groundwater Sustainability Agency met in the Kerman Senior Center for a live and in-person meeting and provided additional public streaming access to the boardroom of the Agency, via Zoom meeting protocols and Owl audio and video, on Friday, November 7, 2025, at the hour of 2:00 P.M.

Chairman Cameron presided and General Manager/Secretary Hurley kept the Minutes.

DIRECTORS PRESENT: Matt Abercrombie
Jonathon DeGroot
Varinder Nijjar
Don Cameron
Brian Pacheco

DIRECTORS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Matthew H. Hurley – General Manager/Secretary
Cristel Tufenkjian – Deputy General Manager
Shawnda Grady, General Counsel (online)
Kevin Bersey, General Counsel

Chairman Cameron called the meeting to order at 2:05 P.M. A member of the public asked when does the Board anticipate acting or commenting on the Export Policy. Board Chair Cameron noted that it is anticipated the Board will consider this soon. Timing is dependent on the ongoing negotiations with James Irrigation District.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 9, 2025 SPECIAL MEETING.

The Board reviewed the draft minutes for the October 9, 2025 Special Meeting. It was noted that Gere Gunlund was an alternate director and should be identified as such in the minutes. On the motion of Director DeGroot, with the second of Director Abercrombie, the Board unanimously approved October 9, 2025 Special Meeting with noted amendment. (5-0-0)

FINANCIAL

General Manager Matt Hurley presented the current log of checks written since the last approved disbursements. He requested the Board ratify the checks disbursements. On the motion of Director DeGroot, with the second of Director Abercrombie, the Board unanimously ratified the checks disbursements. (5-0-0)

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

General Manager Report: GM Hurley reported the state of the Agency is excellent.

Water Bank Environmental Review and Engineering: GM Hurley provided an update on the progress of the Aquaterra Water Bank development and environmental review. GM Hurley reported the draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) is posted on the State Clearinghouse and MAGSA's website; letters have been mailed to agencies and impacted landowners; and hard copies of the DEIR are available at MAGSA's office and the Kerman library. GM Hurley reported that the document will be out for public review until December 22. A public hearing date is scheduled for December 9 at the Kerman Senior Center.

McMullin Expansion Project Update: GM Hurley reported that all modifications have been made to the expansion project design. GM Hurley reported that the dirt work, concrete, and steel costs have been identified for a biddable project. He noted that an Engineering Report needs to be completed in anticipation of a Prop. 218 Election to fund the project. GM Hurley reported that a meeting was held with Kings River Conservation District (KRCD) leadership to discuss their partnership with the current completed McMullin Project and their potential involvement with the McMullin Expansion Project.

Water Smart Grant Meter and Telemetry Rebate: Deputy General Manager Cristel Tufenkjian reported that 80 percent of MAGSA's wells have installed meters. Of that 80 percent, 60 percent have received rebates. Tufenkjian reported there is an estimated 1,200 agricultural wells in MAGSA. She noted that the grant funding is not available for all 1,200 wells. DGM Tufenkjian also noted that the completion of the 2nd year of the grant is November 21 of this year. Those who have paid for the 2nd year of monitoring prior to November 21 will receive a rebate on the monitoring fee this year and next year.

Water Smart Grant Weather Stations: GM Hurley provided an overview of a contract for sales and technical services with Woodpecker Microsystems LLC for the 1) purchase and installation of six weather stations intended to be operated as the MAGSA Weather Station Network as a portion of the Bureau of Reclamation Water and Energy Efficiency Grant (meter grant) 2) purchase and

installation of six LoRaWAN nodes to provide telemetry for the weather stations and for multiple other sensors and/or platforms communicating field data to data management systems for MAGSA and MAGSA landowners, and 3) ongoing maintenance, monitoring and reporting for the weather stations and the data produced.

On the motion of Director Nijjar, with the second of Director DeGroot, the Board unanimously approved GM Hurley to execute all three work order documents for 1) purchase and installation of six weather stations intended to be operated as the MAGSA Weather Station Network as a portion of the Bureau of Reclamation Water and Energy Efficiency Grant (meter grant) 2) purchase and installation of six LoRaWAN nodes to provide telemetry for the weather stations and for multiple other sensors and/or platforms communicating field data to data management systems for MAGSA and MAGSA landowners, and 3) ongoing maintenance, monitoring and reporting for the weather stations and the data produced. (5-0-0)

GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY PLAN IMPLEMENTATION

GM Hurley reported that the Department of Water Resources (DWR) is reviewing MAGSA's Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) revisions and MAGSA's Periodic Review. DWR plans to have comments back on both items by December of this year. GM Hurley reported that MAGSA may be the first GSA in the Kings Subbasin to complete a domestic well mitigation funding for a landowner whose well went dry.

GM Hurley reported that an allocation framework is being proposed by North Fork Kings GSA. Hurley stated that MAGSA and other GSAs in the Kings Subbasin are reviewing the framework. GM Hurley reported that MAGSA has expressed concerns with the timing of allocation discussions and the lack of data for determining allocations. MAGSA does not agree with the other subbasin GSAs relative to the need for an allocation framework at this time and currently planning to hold off on mandatory allocations until 2030 as stated in MAGSA's GSP.

DIRECTORS REPORTS

Report from County of Fresno: Director Abercrombie reported the white area annexation into Raisin City Water District is complete.

Report from Raisin City Water District: Director Cameron reported that Raisin City WD had a post annexation workshop to discuss potential projects and funding through a 218 election.

Report from Mid Valley Water District: No report.

AD HOC COMMITTEES

Outreach: Goldsmith reported that on November 12 MAGSA is having a Grower Irrigation Academy Workshop. The theme for the workshop is using data to schedule irrigation. Goldsmith reported that the following week there will be three field days in English, Spanish, and Punjabi. The field days will be held at Terranova Ranch. There will be demonstrations on meter calibrations and tensiometers.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

MAGSA Board	December 10, 2025
Kings Subbasin GSA Coordination	November 21, 2025
MAGSA Stakeholder	TBD
MAGSA Technical Advisory	TBD
Mid-Valley Water District	TBD
Raisin City Water District	December 11, 2025

CLOSED SESSION

Chairman Cameron explained to the public and announced that the Board would be reconvening the meeting into a Closed Session to review the following agenda items:

1. Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation
    a. Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to paragraph (2) of Government Code Section 54956.9(d): (One potential case)

2. Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation
    a. Pending litigation pursuant to paragraph (1) of Government Code Section 54956.9(d): JID v MAGSA, Superior Court of Santa Clara County, Case No. 23CV417565 (JID Appeal)
    b. Pending litigation pursuant to paragraph (1) of Government Code Section 54956.9(d): MAGSA v JID, Superior Court of Santa Clara County, Case No. 24CV447516 and related case(s)

REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION

The Board returned from Closed Session. Chairman Cameron announced the Board had taken no action during the Closed Session discussions.

ADJOURNED to the Regular December 10, 2025 meeting.

Attest:

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Matthew H. Hurley, Board Secretary

Affirmed:

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Don Cameron, Chairman