



**Wyandotte Creek
Groundwater Sustainability Agency
Agenda Transmittal**

Agenda Item: 5

Subject: Appointments to the Wyandotte Creek Advisory Committee (WAC)

Contact: Kamie Loeser

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Meeting Date: October 26, 2023

Regular Agenda

Department Summary:

The Wyandotte Creek Groundwater Sustainability Agency (GSA) receives input and recommendations on groundwater sustainability plan development and implementation from an Advisory Committee (WAC). As memorialized in the WAC Charter (dated January 28, 2021), the intent for the WAC is to provide community perspective and participation in Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) implementation. The WAC is comprised of members representing the beneficial uses and users of groundwater identified in SGMA. Members must live or work in or represent an organization with a presence in the Wyandotte Creek Subbasin and may not concurrently serve on the GSA Board. The GSA Board appoints at-large members to fill the WAC seats and interested individuals apply to the GSA.

Members of the WAC serve two-year terms. Four (4) WAC seats are currently vacant:

- 2 domestic well users
- 1 environmental representative
- 1 business representative

The Wyandotte Creek GSA solicited applications for the vacancies starting September 6, 2023. Two candidates, Colleen Duncan and Gretchen Clinkingbeard, applied to the domestic well representative seats. No other applications were received.

The Wyandotte Creek GSA Board should consider appointing a member to the WAC or provide direction to the Management Committee.

Fiscal Impact: None

Staff Recommendation: 1. Make two appointments to the domestic well user seats with terms ending in 2025.

Wyandotte Creek Groundwater Sustainability Agency
Advisory Committee Application

Date submitted: June 23, 2023

First and last name: Colleen Dunnean

Address, phone number and email address:

[Redacted], Orouille [Redacted]
Describe how you meet eligibility (circle one): [Link to subbasin map](#)

- Resident living in the Wyandotte Creek subbasin
- Employed at an organization with a presence in Wyandotte Creek subbasin

Which at-large seat(s) are you applying for:

Applicant may select all that apply

- Agricultural representative (3 seats available) *or*
- Domestic well representative (2 seats available)
- Environmental representative (1 seat available)
- Business association representative (1 seat available)

1. Describe how you will represent the interest group(s) indicated above and communicate with other members of these interest group(s):

I have a 15 hp Ag well plus two domestic wells. I understand the need for this organization and my experience allows me

2. Current Occupation(s): *To communicate clearly with others*
Within the last 12 months

Chief Financial Officer - Orouille Hospital

3. Current License(s) and / or Certifications:

Professional or occupational, date of issues / expiration, including status

N/A

4. Relevant Education / Experience:

Applicant may attach resume containing this information and any other information that would be helpful to the Board in evaluating the application.

40 + years raising livestock. Irrigate Pasture.

Strong Financial Understanding of issues.

5. Other Relevant Board(s) / Commission(s) / Committee(s) on which you serve / have served (paid or volunteer):

Please list name of organization, title and date of service

Northern California Woolgrowers Assn - Sec / Treas
Redwood Empire Sheepdog Assn - Treas.

6. Letters of Support:

For at-large seats, applicants are encouraged to demonstrate support from local organizations and community groups engaged in issues related to the interest that the applicant seeks to represent (i.e. environmental, business, agriculture, rural communities) by attaching letters of support. Submission of letters of support are not required, but are encouraged in order to demonstrate the applicant's ability to represent the interests of the stakeholder seats for which they are complying. Please list the organization, author and date of the letters of support attached here:

N/A

7. References

List at least two personal and / or professional references. Provide the name, affiliation, title, phone number, and email address of each reference.

[Redacted references]

8. Please explain your reasons for wishing to serve and, in your opinion, how you feel you can contribute to the Wyandotte Creek GSA Advisory Committee:

I would like to have a better understanding of the water issue here in Butte County & the State.

I appreciate GSA's efforts to promote water availability with an eye to the future and their position to prevent the State from controlling the ^{ground-}water in the County.

I would like to do my part in supporting the GSA. ~~at the moment~~

NOTE: The Agency will keep all applications on file for one year from the date of receipt of the application.

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Advisory Committee Application

Date submitted: *October 17, 2023*

First and last name: *Gretchen Clinkingbeard*

Address, phone number and email address: [REDACTED]

Describe how you meet eligibility (circle one): Link to subbasin map

- Resident living in the Wyandotte Creek subbasin
- Employed at an organization with a presence in Wyandotte Creek subbasin

Which at-large seat(s) are you applying for:

Applicant may select all that apply

- Agricultural representative (3 seats available)
- Domestic well representative (2 seats available)
- Environmental representative (1 seat available)
- Business association representative (1 seat available)

1. Describe how you will represent the interest group(s) indicated above and communicate with other members of these interest group(s):

First of all I would like a meet and greet meeting with sharks. I would speak briefly, explain my interest and that I will be available to everyone to teach about our aquifers and why we must learn more about them and why the State Water Resources is interested.

2. Current Occupation(s):

Within the last 12 months

I have been busy for the last two years as President of Oroville Republican Women Federated

3. Current License(s) and / or Certifications:

Professional or occupational, date of issues / expiration, including status

I am renewing my Registered Nurse License and Public Health Nursing License.

4. Relevant Education / Experience:

Applicant may attach resume containing this information and any other information that would be helpful to the Board in evaluating the application.

I graduated from Las Plumas High School in Oroville. I worked in banks for several years in different jobs; vault teller; boarding loans; teller, and more.

I attended Cal State Chico's Nursing Program. I graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in Nursing and a higher degree of Public Health Nursing. BSN PHN

My varied experiences in nursing includes ICU 20 years; Shift supervisor; traveling to acute care hospitals to work; employed by a local home care agency to attend patients in their homes, and more.

5. Other Relevant Board(s) / Commission(s) / Committee(s) on which you serve / have served (paid or volunteer):

Please list name of organization, title and date of service

In January 2024 I will term out as President of Crowle Republican Women Federated

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Will be brought in

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List at least two personal and / or professional references. Provide the name, affiliation, title, phone number, and email address of each reference.

Will be brought in

8. Please explain your reasons for wishing to serve and, in your opinion, how you feel you can contribute to the Wyandotte Creek GSA Advisory Committee:

I have varied job experiences. I am very comfortable talking to people. I am used to seeing people in all kinds of situations. I can explain easily what I need to present.

Addendum

#1 After the initial meet and greet meeting then a separate meeting with each group: Agriculture, Domestic Wells; Environmental; Business, to hear their specific concerns and have them get to know their own Advisor. Then, their Advisor will have their meeting and bring me written ideas so we can answer them.

#5 I have been the controlling entity of Full Gospel Church of Jesus Was Road for over ten years. My Dad built the Church and was Pastor.

I have Native American Culture background due to my Mother being Pastor of The Indian Mission in Leoville.

#8 I have organizational skills. I can delegate. I also like to see a job completed.

In general this is a new field to me. I would like classes about Aquifers and our underground water systems and all related subjects.

Bretchen Dinking Beard

Letter of Support for Candidate Gretchen Clinkingbeard

To Whom it may Concern,

It is my pleasure to give you information regarding Gretchen and why I believe she would be an asset to the Wyandotte Creek Advisory Commission.

Having worked with Gretchen and known her for many years, I can attest to her abilities in Teaching, Public Speaking, Organizational Skills, Dedication and completion of a task she's taken on; her compassion and understanding of others, and her commitment to improve our local, state, country and world.

During her high school years her GPA rose above many of her classmates, and she was a participant in her class Student Council. As she increased her knowledge, especially in Nursing, she mentored and shared the knowledge that she had gleaned. Her Presidency in Oroville Republican Women Federated has brought her into contact with many of our local, state & national representatives.

Her Dedication to our local community has been in many areas. Gretchen has not been hesitant to take on a challenge and see it through.

I thoroughly support her in this application for Wyandotte Creek GSA Advisor Commission position.

Should you have additional questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



Janet McElroy - Kelley,
Oroville/Palermo Resident

