

# JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY BOARD MEETING

Oroville City Council Chambers  
1735 Montgomery Street  
Oroville, CA. 95965



**February 23, 2023**  
**REGULAR MEETING**  
**OPEN SESSION 2:00 PM**  
**AGENDA**

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## CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

1. **Pledge of Allegiance**

2. **Roll Call**

Board Members: Bill Connelly, Eric Smith, William Bynum, Kyle Daley, Bruce Wristen

Staff Management Team: Butte County – Kamie Loeser, Christina Buck, TWSD – Chris Heindell, Oroville – Matt Thompson, Jackie Glover

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## REGULAR BUSINESS

3. **Election of Chair and Vice Chair**

4. **The Board may Approve the Minutes of the November 10, 2022 Board Meeting.**

**Action:** Approval of the meeting minutes.

5. **Review of the Current Governance, Structure, and Funding for the Wyandotte Creek GSA.**

The Management Committee will review the current governance, structure, responsibilities, and funding of the Wyandotte Creek GSA. (Report: Kamie Loeser)

**Recommendation:** Information only.

6. **Consideration of Management Options and Revenue Needs for the Future Administration of the Wyandotte Creek GSA.** The Management Committee and funding consultant will initiate discussions regarding the future management, role, funding, and revenue needs of the Wyandotte Creek GSA. (Report: Ludhorff & Scalmanini Consulting Engineers)

**Recommendation:** To discuss and provide direction as needed.

7. **Consideration of 2023 Wyandotte Creek GSA Board and Advisory Committee Calendar.** The Board will consider for approval a proposed Wyandotte Creek GSA Board and Wyandotte Creek GSA Advisory Committee (WAC) calendar for 2023. (Report: Kamie Loeser)

**Recommendation:** The Management Committee recommends the Board approve the proposed meeting calendar of the Wyandotte Creek GSA or provide alternative dates or times for these meetings.

## REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

8. **Verbal Management Committee Updates** (staff)

## PUBLIC COMMENT- NON-AGENDA ITEMS

This is the time for the public to address the Board on items not listed on the agenda. The WC GSA Board is prohibited by State law from taking action on any item presented if it is not listed on the agenda. Comments will be limited to three minutes per person.

## ADJOURN THE MEETING

The meeting will be adjourned. A regular meeting of the Wyandotte Creek GSA Board will be scheduled on March 23, 2023 at 2:00 pm.

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**November 10, 2022**  
**REGULAR MEETING**  
**MINUTES**

This agenda was posted on November 3, 2022. Chairperson Connelly opened the meeting at 2:03pm

## **CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL**

1. Pledge of Allegiance – Led by Chairperson Connelly
2. Roll Call  
PRESENT: Board Members: Bill Connelly, Eric Smith, William Bynum, Bruce Wristen  
ABSENT: Board Member Daley  
Staff Management Team: Butte County – Kamie Loeser, Christina Buck, Oroville – Jackie Glover

## **REGULAR BUSINESS**

1. **Motion by Board Member Wristen and second by Board Member Bynum to approve the minutes of the September 22, 2022 board meeting.** Motion passed.
2. **The board considered approval of the Wyandotte Creek Subbasin project list and recommended project prioritization to be used in developing the Sustainable Groundwater Management (SGM) program Round 2 grant application. The Board also considered approval of a grant applicant resolution authorizing the preparation and submittal of a SGMA Implementation Round 2 application for the Wyandotte Creek subbasin.** Motion by Board Member Smith and second by Board Member Wristen to approve the project list. Motion passed. Motion by Board Member Bynum and second by Board Member Smith to approve a grant applicant resolution. Motion Passed.

## **REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE**

3. **Kami Loeser gave a verbal update on the recommendation and selection of consultant to conduct Long-term Financing study**
4. **Verbal Manager Committee Updates – Staff provided verbal board member updates.**

## **PUBLIC COMMENT- NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

There were 0 public comments at this meeting.

## **ADJOURN THE MEETING**

Meeting adjourned at 2:48pm.

APPROVED:

ATTESTED:

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Chairperson Bill Connelly

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Manager Kamie Loeser



**Wyandotte Creek  
Groundwater Sustainability Agency  
Agenda Transmittal**

**Agenda Item: 5**

**Subject:** The Management Committee will review current governance, structure, responsibilities, and funding of the Wyandotte Creek GSA.

**Contact:** Kamie Loeser      **Phone:** 530-552-3590      **Meeting Date:** February 23, 2023      **Regular Agenda**

**Department Summary:** The Wyandotte Creek Groundwater Sustainability Agency (GSA) was established to develop the Wyandotte Creek Subbasin Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP), which was prepared and submitted to DWR in January 2022 in accordance with the GSP submittal deadline. The GSA worked collaboratively with stakeholders to develop the GSP and is now focused on GSP implementation and maintaining SGMA compliance while maintaining local control over its groundwater resources.

Achieving long-term SGMA compliance while implementing actions to achieve groundwater sustainability will require reliable long-term funding sources to support GSA operations, achieve SGMA compliance requirements, and implement priority projects and programs that meet GSP goals and objectives. Funding to date has largely been through grants from State SGMA program via Proposition 1 and 68 for GSP development and establishment of GSAs throughout California and member agency contributions for GSA administration. Future State SGMA related funding sources will, in part, likely support project implementation efforts; however, GSAs will need to establish local reliable funding sources to support on-going GSA operations while maintaining SGMA compliance over the next fifty years.

Butte County provided one-time funding to the County Department of Water and Resource Conservation (Department) for the 2022/23 Fiscal Year so that the Department could continue to administer the activities of the Wyandotte Creek GSA. With this funding, the Department is implementing the GSA long-term fee project to identify a long-term funding mechanism that would result in the most cost-effective approach to GSA management, GSP implementation, and SGMA compliance. The goal is to have a sustainable GSA funding source in place by 2024 to support future GSA administration and operational costs.

**Fiscal Impact:** None

**Staff Recommendation:** Information and discussion.



**Wyandotte Creek  
Groundwater Sustainability Agency  
Agenda Transmittal**

Agenda Item: 6

**Subject: Consideration of Management Options and Revenue Needs for the Future Administration of the Wyandotte Creek GSA**

**Contact: Kamie Loeser      Phone: 530-552-3590      Meeting Date: February 23, 2023      Regular Agenda**

**Department Summary:** The fee consultant will review the approach for establishing long-term sustainable revenues to support Wyandotte Creek GSA operations, implement the Groundwater Sustainability Plan, and comply with SGMA requirements.

The Wyandotte Creek Groundwater Sustainability Agency (VGSA) was established to develop the VGSA Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP), which was prepared and submitted to DWR in January 2022 in accordance with the GSP submittal deadline. The GSA worked collaboratively with stakeholders to develop the GSP and is now focused on GSP implementation and maintaining SGMA compliance while maintaining local control over its groundwater resources.

GSAs throughout California are developing long-term funding sources to sustain established GSA operations and achieve SGMA compliance while implementing actions to achieve and maintain groundwater sustainability. The consultant team will review what other GSAs have been working on in this regard to provide a solid background for how the Wyandotte Creek GSA would like to approach long term funding needs.

Three potential management options or scenarios for administering GSA operations have been identified and will be discussed. These options have implications for the expense and revenue projections that will ultimately be used in calculating a long-term GSA fee to support GSA operations and SGMA compliance activities. Receiving timely Board direction and ideas regarding this topic will be important to establish necessary fees in accordance with the fee project schedule.

**Fiscal Impact:** None

**Staff Recommendation:** Discuss and provide direction as needed.



**Wyandotte Creek  
Groundwater Sustainability Agency  
Agenda Transmittal**

Agenda Item: 7

**Subject: Wyandotte Creek GSA Board and Advisory Committee Calendar 2023**

**Contact: Kamie Loeser**

**Phone: 530-552-3590**

**Meeting Date: February 23, 2023**

**Regular Agenda**

**Department Summary:** The Board will consider for approval the proposed Wyandotte Creek GSA Board and Wyandotte Creek GSA Advisory Committee (WAC) calendar for 2023.

The following is a list of calendar dates for 2023:

- GSA Board: Feb.23, 2023
- GSA Board: Mar. 23, 2023
- WAC: April 6, 2023
- GSA Board: Apr. 27, 2023
- WAC: May 4, 2023
- GSA Board: May 25, 2023
- GSA Board: Jun. 22, 2023
- GSA Board: Jul. 27, 2023
- WAC: Oct. 5, 2023
- GSA Board: Oct. 26, 2023

**Fiscal Impact:** None

**Staff Recommendation:** Approve proposed calendar.