

**Southeast Sacramento County Agricultural Water Authority**  
**Special Board Meeting Minutes**  
**October 20, 2015**

**Opening:**

1. Chairman Lowry called the SSCAWA meeting to order at 9:50 am at the Herald Firehouse in Herald, California.
2. Members present were Ron Lowry, Leland Schneider, Bob Mahon, John Mulrooney, Mike Kenefick, Leo VanWarmerdam, Gary Silva Sr, and Gary Silva Jr. Also present were Mike Wackman, Darrel Eck, Jonathan Goetz, Hong Lin, Rebecca Smith, Susan Wohle, Rick Wohle, Herb Garms, Jay Schneider and Wendy Sparrowk.
3. Public Comment – Nothing to report.

**Consent Items:**

1. The agenda for the meeting was reviewed. The minutes for September , 2015 meeting were reviewed. The Treasurer’s Report and bills since the last meeting were reviewed. **A motion was made by Director Mulrooney to approve the Agenda, Minutes, TR and bills; second by Director Mahon; motion approved 8/0/1.**

**Information /Action Items:**

1. Sustainable Groundwater Management Act –
  - A. Action taken by member agencies – OHWD moved forward to declare themselves as their own GSA. GID and CWD need more time to announce decision.
  - B. Governance structure and boundary – Rebecca Smith reviewed changes to SB13. The new deadline for establishing a GSA is June, 2017. She reviewed that the current Authority can be a GSA even though OHWD will be a GSA and encouraged the group to look at the end goal of sustainably managing the groundwater basin. Hong Lin with DWR reviewed other deadlines, boundary rules, objectives of the Groundwater Sustainability Plan and coordination with bordering GSA’s. The boundary modifications process will open in January, 2016. Jay Schneider recapped the direction of SHRCD as a GSA.
2. SSCAWA reformation – Rebecca Smith reported that the regulations for the implementation of the GWS Plan will be published in December, 2015 or January, 2016 and these regulations may dictate the futures of the membership and Authority. Mike Wackman reviewed the formation of the Authority to address issues like the current GSA/GWS Plan and discussed options for the Authority with membership changes.
3. Other Business – Nothing to report.
4. Director Comments – Leland Schneider discussed GSA decisions for OHWD. Leo VanWarmerdam encouraged the group to stay united. No other Director comments.

**Director VanWarmerdam made a motion to table the decision on the future of the Authority; motion second by Director Silva Sr., motion approved 8/0/1. the meeting was adjourned at 11:450 am.**

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Ronald Lowry, Chairman