

Glenn Groundwater Authority

Groundwater Sustainability Agency

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Special Board of Directors Meeting Materials

November 30, 2021 | 1:30 PM

LOCATION: 225 North Tehama Street, Willows, CA 95988

And

Teleconference

The meeting can be accessed via telephone at [+1 \(408\) 650-3123](tel:+14086503123) or by computer, smartphone, or tablet at:

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Meeting Access Code: 216-827-021

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Chairperson will call the meeting to order and lead the [flag salute](#).

2. ROLL CALL

Roll call will be conducted.

3. AB 361 OPEN MEETINGS: STATE AND LOCAL AGENCIES: TELECONFERENCES

- a. *Consider approval of Resolution 2021-002 Authorizing Remote Teleconference Meetings in Accordance with Government Code Section 54953 (e)

Executive Order N-08-21 was issued on June 11, 2021 which provided guidance on a number of orders that were issued in relation to COVID-19. One change applied to Executive Order N-29-20 (issued March 17, 2020) relating to Open Meetings and teleconferencing stating the provisions of N-29-20 would apply through September 30, 2021.

On September 16, 2021, Governor Newsom approved Assembly Bill 361 relating to Open Meetings and teleconferencing requirements.

On October 11, 2021, Counsel provided an overview of the expiration of Executive Order N-29-20 and the passage of Assembly Bill 361. On November 8, 2021, the Board approved Resolution No. 2021-002 Resolution to Implement Teleconferencing Requirements During a Proclaimed State of Emergency. A Resolution must be passed every 30 days to remain effective.

Attachments

- RESOLUTION No. 2021-003 RESOLUTION TO IMPLEMENT TELECONFERENCING REQUIREMENTS DURING A PROCLAIMED STATE OF EMERGENCY

**GLENN GROUNDWATER AUTHORITY
RESOLUTION No. 2021-003
RESOLUTION TO IMPLEMENT TELECONFERENCING REQUIREMENTS
DURING A PROCLAIMED STATE OF EMERGENCY**

WHEREAS, the Ralph M. Brown Act requires that all meetings of a legislative body of a local agency be open and public and that any person may attend and participate in such meetings;

WHEREAS, the Brown Act allows for legislative bodies to hold meetings by teleconference, but imposes specific requirements for doing so;

WHEREAS, on March 17, 2020, in order to address the need for public meetings during the present public health emergency, Governor Newsom issued Executive Order No. N-29-20, suspending the Act's teleconferencing requirements; and

WHEREAS, on June 11, 2021, Governor Newsom issued Executive Order No. N-8-21, continuing the suspension of the Brown Act's teleconferencing requirements through September 30, 2021; and

WHEREAS, these Executive Orders allowed legislative bodies to meet virtually as long as certain notice and accessibility requirements were met; and

WHEREAS, the State Legislature amended the Brown Act through Assembly Bill No. 361 (AB 361) on September 16, 2021; and

WHEREAS, AB 361 amended the Brown Act so that a local agency may use teleconferencing without complying with the regular teleconferencing requirements of the Act, where the legislative body holds a meeting during a proclaimed state of emergency and makes certain findings; and

WHEREAS, Government Code section 54953 requires that the legislative body make additional findings every 30 days in order to continue such teleconferencing.

NOW THEREFORE, the Glenn Groundwater Authority ("GGA") hereby finds, determines, declares, orders, and resolves as follows:

1. That the foregoing recitals are true and correct and incorporates them by this reference.
2. The Board of Directors of the GGA finds, by a majority vote, the following:
 - a. That there exists a proclaimed state of emergency; and
 - b. State or local officials have imposed or recommended measures to promote social distancing.

3. The GGA, any of its committees, joint committees, ad hoc groups, and member staff is authorized to take all steps and perform all actions necessary to execute and implement this Resolution in compliance with Government Code section 54953.
4. That this Resolution shall take effect **November 30, 2021** and shall remain in effect for thirty (30) days thereafter (until December 30, 2021), provided the conditions set forth in Section 2 remain.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of the GGA this 30th day of November, 2021, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

John Amaro, Chairman

Lisa Hunter, Secretary

4. PERIOD OF PUBLIC COMMENT

Members of the public are encouraged to address the GGA Board of Directors on items relevant to the GGA. Public comments are limited to no more than 5 minutes. No action may be taken on public comments.

5. CLOSED SESSION

Gov't Code §54956.9 – Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated or significant exposure to litigation regarding tax refund claims and challenges to previously adopted property related fees.

6. REPORT OUT FROM CLOSED SESSION

7. MEMBER REPORTS AND COMMENTS

Members of the GGA Board are encouraged to share information, reports, comments, and suggest future agenda items. Action cannot be taken on items brought up under this item.

8. NEXT MEETING

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, December 14, 2021 at 1:30 PM.

9. ADJOURN

The meeting will be adjourned.

*Indicates Action Item