



Corning Sub-basin GSA Committee Meeting Minutes

March 23, 2023 | 2:00 p.m.
Glenn-Colusa Irrigation District Pump Station
7854 County Rd 203, Orland, CA 95963

Public participation was also offered via teleconference

1. Call to Order

- Grant Carmon called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

2. Roll Call

	Party Representative	Member Agency
X	Tom Arnold	County of Glenn
X	Grant Carmon	County of Glenn
X	John Amaro	Glenn-Colusa Irrigation District
X	Pete Knight	Glenn-Colusa Irrigation District
X	Julia Violich	Monroeville Water District
	Seth Fiack	Monroeville Water District

Roll call was taken as noted above.

3. *Discussion on election of Chairperson and Vice Chairperson and re-elect officers as needed

- Mr. Carmon introduced the item indicating he would prefer not to be Chairman for the 2023 year. After a short discussion, Mr. Arnold showed a willingness to serve as Chairman if the committee desired.

Mr. Amaro nominated Tom Arnold to serve as the 2023 Chairman, which was seconded by Mr. Knight. No other nominations were heard for Chairman.

It was unanimously voted to elect Tom Arnold to serve as the 2023 Chairman.

- The meeting was turned over to newly elected Chairman, Mr. Arnold to conduct the meeting.

Mr. Knight nominated Grant Carmon to serve as 2023 Vice Chairman, which was seconded by Mr. Amaro. No other nominations were heard for Vice Chairman.

It was unanimously voted to elect Grant Carmon to serve as the 2023 Vice Chairman.

4. Meeting Minutes

- a. *Approval of February 23, 2023 meeting minutes.
 - No corrections or comments were made to the draft meeting minutes.

On a motion by Mr. Amaro, seconded Mr. Carmon, the February 23, 2023 meeting minutes were unanimously approved as presented.

5. Period of Public Comment

- Mr. Arnold invited public comments; whereby, no comments were heard.

6. Staff Reports

- Lisa Hunter stated in regards to the Executive Order N-7-22 compliance, zero well permit acknowledgement forms have been received between February 24, 2023 and March 23, 2023.

7. Corning Sub-basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency (CSGSA) Operations and GSP Implementation Fee Project

- a. *Review updated revenue projections and approve for use in evaluating fee options
 - b. *Approve fee options for evaluation of CSGSA Long Term Fees to include in the Technical Memorandum.
 - c. *Approve recommendation to proceed with development of outreach materials and preparations for a Public Workshop.
- Ms. Hunter introduced Jacques DeBra with Luhdorff & Scalmanini Consulting Engineers (LSCE) to share a presentation on the CSGSA Long-Term Funding project. Mr. DeBra presented on SGMA timelines, funding strategies and projections, an overview of what other GSAs what done for funding and examples of implemented fees, funding needs, project schedule and fee development process, draft five-year revenue projections and considerations, compliance considerations, public outreach, and options evaluation criteria.
 - Discussion ensued on various considerations and assumptions including GSA cost-sharing, fee process and projections, local GSA activities, acreage and land use, data needs for fee options, potential grant funding, legal fee funding, option evaluations and tradeoffs, and outreach.
 - Outcomes of the discussion included direction to include the following fee options for evaluation in the Technical Memorandum: dollar per acre charge, well head charge, and irrigated versus non-irrigated lands. There was also support for one public outreach meeting after the Technical Memorandum is available and before the fee report is issued.

On motion by Mr. Amaro, seconded by Mr. Knight, Items 7.a, 7.b, and 7.c were approved unanimously to be based on the direction provided during the discussion.

8. *Approve and authorize Chairman to sign Letter of Support for Corning Water District Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) Enhancement and Groundwater Recharge Project.

- Mr. Arnold invited questions; whereby, none were heard.

On a motion by Mr. Carmon, seconded Mr. Amaro, it was unanimously ordered to authorize Chairman to sign Letter of Support for Corning Water District Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) Enhancement and Groundwater Recharge Project.

9. Discussion and Authorization to Address Correspondence Received from Member Agencies Regarding Corning Sub-basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency Cost Share.

- Ms. Hunter reported this item has been discussed at previous meetings. The purpose of the item is to respond to letters from Glenn-Colusa Irrigation District and Monroeville Water District asking for clarification about cost sharing and future plans. It was also noted that Glenn County has verbally shared these same concerns.

On a motion by Mr. Knight, seconded by Mr. Carmon, it was unanimously ordered to approve the letter to address correspondence received from member agencies regarding Corning Sub-basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency cost share.

10. Corning Subbasin Groundwater Sustainability Plan Implementation

- Ms. Hunter stated the annual report is due April 1, 2023 and development of the report is underway. She stated there will likely be a presentation regarding the annual report at the next meeting.

11. Corning Subbasin Advisory Board Report

- Ms. Hunter stated the last several Corning Subbasin Advisory Board (CSAB) meetings have been cancelled due to lack of discussion topics. The CSAB will be meeting on April 5, 2023, and a presentation will be given regarding the annual report.

12. Corning Sub-basin GSA Committee Member Reports and Comments

- Mr. Amaro discussed surface water supply for GCID, which will likely be a 100% allocation. It was further noted that the districts on the Tehama Colusa Canal will likely have increased allocations as well.

13. Next Meeting

The next regular meeting is scheduled for April 27, 2023 at 2:00 p.m.

14. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 4:19 p.m.