



**Vina**  
**Groundwater Sustainability Agency**  
**Agenda Transmittal**

**Agenda Item: 6.1**

**Subject:** Consideration of Appointments to the Stakeholder Advisory Committee

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**Meeting Date:** April 10, 2024

**Regular Agenda**

**Department Summary:**

The Vina Groundwater Sustainability Agency (GSA) receives input and recommendations on groundwater sustainability plan development and implementation from the Stakeholder Advisory Committee (SHAC). As memorialized in the SHAC Charter (modified and approved October 11, 2023), the intent for the SHAC is to provide community perspective and participation in Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) implementation. The Vina GSA SHAC is comprised of ten (10) members representing the beneficial uses and users of groundwater within the Vina Subbasin. Members must live or work in or represent an organization with a presence in the Subbasin. Interested individuals apply to the GSA and the GSA Board appoints at-large members to fill the SHAC seats.

Beginning on September 6, 2023, the Vina GSA initiated a call for applications to fill six (6) SHAC vacancies, adopting a rolling application process, which is explicitly stated on the Vina GSA website. As of March 13, 2024, the Board appointed three (3) members to the committee. However, three (3) positions remain vacant: the Environmental Representative, the Business Representative, and the Non-Irrigated/Rangeland Representative.

The Vina GSA has received one application from Mr. Bill Chance, who has applied for the Business Representative position. Upon review of Mr. Chance's application, he is eligible to serve on the SHAC. Instead of a four-year term, this position will expire in December 2025, to accommodate the recently adopted staggered terms, in which half the SHAC would be appointed every two years.

Currently, the GSA has not received applications for the remaining two positions, although staff has received inquiries from potential applicants.

**Fiscal Impact:** None

**Staff Recommendation:** Make one appointment to the business representative seat with term ending in 2025.



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**Stakeholder Advisory Committee Application**

*Updated 11/7/2023*

**Date submitted:** 3/28/24

**First and last name:** Bill Chance

**Address, phone number and email address:** [REDACTED] [REDACTED]

**Describe how you meet eligibility (circle one):** *to verify that you are a resident or are employed in the Vina GSA boundaries search the GSA Map View: <https://sgma.water.ca.gov/webgis/index.jsp?appid=gasmaster&rz=true>*

Resident living within the jurisdiction of the Vina GSA

- Employed at an organization with a presence within the jurisdiction of the Vina GSA

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

- Agricultural representative
- Domestic Well User
- Environmental Representative
- Business Association Representative
- Non-irrigated/Rangeland Representative

**1. Describe how you will represent the interest group(s) indicated above and communicate with other members of these interest group(s):** By attending the meetings and communicating any input from my group at the various meetings.

**2. Current Occupation(s):**  
*Within the last 12 months*  
*Real Estate Broker and I farm almonds part time.*

**3. Current License(s) and / or Certifications:**  
*Professional or occupational, date of issues / expiration, including status*  
*CA Real Estate Broker 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.*



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BS in Agricultural Management from Cal Poly San Luis Obispo. I have been in the Real Estate business and farming almonds since 1987.

**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.*

*Currently a board member on the Foor Foundation, past member of Chico Rotary, CEPCO, Chico Chamber, Farm Bureau Land Use, I don't remember what years I was on these various committees and boards.*

**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 applying. Please list the organization, author and date of the letters of support attached here:*

**7. References:**

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

*Tod Kimmelshue* [REDACTED]

*Jon Hayes* [REDACTED]

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

Ground water is vital for our economy and environment, I have been in business in this community for 37 years and feel that my experience would be an asset for this committee.

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