



## Vina Groundwater Sustainability Agency

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## VINA GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY SPECIAL BOARD MEETING

Meeting Agenda

April 20, 2022, **4:00 p.m.**

**(Please note adjusted time).**

Chico City Council Chamber, 421 Main Street, Chico CA  
**IN PERSON AND ONLINE MEETING VIA ZOOM**

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Groups or organizations are encouraged to select a spokesperson to speak on their behalf. Each subsequent speaker is also encouraged to only submit new information rather than repeating comments made by prior speakers or to simply indicate their agreement with a prior speaker.

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**VINA GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY  
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING AGENDA  
APRIL 20, 2022**

**1. REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

- 1.1. Call to Order
- 1.2. Roll Call
- 1.3. Announcement from Special Closed Session Meetings on March 9, 2022 and April 13, 2022
- 1.4. Election of Chair and Vice Chair

**2. CONSENT AGENDA** - all matters listed under the consent agenda are to be considered routine and enacted by one motion.

**2.1. APPROVAL OF THE 10/13/21 VINA GSA BOARD MEETING MINUTES AND THE 12/15/21 VINA GSA/ROCK CREEK RECLAMATION DISTRICT JOINT BOARD MEETING MINUTES.**

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

**2.2. APPROVAL OF NEW VINA GSA ADMINISTRATOR**

**Action:** Approve Kamie Loeser as the Vina GSA Administrator.

**2.3. APPROVAL OF THE VINA GSA MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATUS REPORT**

**Action:** Approve the Vina GSA Financial Status Report as of 03/29/22.

**3. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT – IF ANY**

**4. BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR**

Members of the public may address the Board at this time on any matter not already listed on the agenda; comments are limited to three minutes. The Board cannot take any action at this meeting on requests made under this section of the agenda.

**5. NOTICED PUBLIC HEARINGS - NONE**

**6. REGULAR AGENDA**

**6.1. PRESENTATION OF THE 2021 WATER YEAR ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE VINA SUBBASIN**

The Management Committee will provide an overview of the Vina subbasin Annual Water Year Report for 2021. (*Report – Kelly Peterson and Kamie Loeser*).

**Recommendation:** Accept as information and provide direction to Staff as appropriate.

**6.2. CONSIDERATION OF GOVERNOR NEWSOM'S DROUGHT RESPONSE EXECUTIVE ORDER N-7-22. AND PROPOSED GSP CONSISTENCY VERIFICATION PROCESS FOR LARGE-DIAMETER WELL APPLICATIONS.**

The Management Committee will provide an overview of the Governor's Executive Order N-7-22, Item 9a, and options for processing the Order's requirement that the Board provide written verification through Butte County's well permitting process that a new large diameter groundwater well or alteration of an existing well is consistent with the Groundwater Sustainability Plan (*Report – Kamie Loeser*).

**Recommendation:** Board approval of the verification process and Acknowledgment Form to be used by the Butte County Division of Environmental Health as part of the well permitting process for large-diameter wells to ensure compliance with EO N-7-22.

**6.3. CONSIDERATION OF RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING THE PROCEDURES AND STRUCTURE OF THE VINA STAKEHOLDER ADVISORY COMMITTEE.**

The Board will consider a report and recommendations from the Vina Stakeholder Advisory Committee (SHAC) discussion at its 3/15/22 meeting of proposed changes to the procedures and structure of the SHAC meetings (*Report – Kelly Peterson*).

**Recommendation:** Board approval of the SHAC's recommendations.

**6.4. CONSIDERATION OF PAYMENT OPTIONS FOR ANTICIPATED LEGAL FEES ASSOCIATED WITH THE LEGAL CHALLENGE OF THE VINA GSP.**

The Management Committee will provide cost estimates for legal services in response to the compliant and lawsuit challenging the Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) for the Vina subbasin, and potential funding options (*Report - Kamie Loeser*).

**Recommendation:** Review and approve the budget estimate and confirm payment option.

**6.5. CONSIDERATION OF VINA GSA ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCING OPTIONS.**

Staff will provide an overview of administration functions for ongoing GSA operations. The discussion will include the current roles and responsibilities of member agency staff as well as anticipated needs for ongoing management of the GSA, such as staff, technical consultants and data management, public outreach and education, legal and other administrative services. Potential financing options associated with GSA administration and operations will also be presented for discussion and direction to staff (*Report – Kamie Loeser*).

**Recommendation:** Review administrative and revenue options, possible formation of ad hoc financing committee to provide staffing and financing recommendations at future Board meeting, and/or provide direction to staff.

**6.6. CONSIDERATION OF 2022 VINA GSA BOARD REGULAR MEETING CALENDAR.**

The Board will consider for approval a proposed 2022 Vina GSA Board Regular Meeting calendar and the SHAC's proposed meeting times and calendar for 2022. (*Report – Linda Herman*).

**Recommendation:** Approval of the 2022 calendar of the Vina GSA Board and SHAC meetings or provide alternative dates or times for these meetings.

**7. COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS**

These items are provided for the Board's information. Although the Board may discuss the items, no action can be taken at this meeting. Should the Board determine that action is required, the item or items may be included for action on a subsequent posted agenda.

**7.1 Vina GSA Management Committee Updates**

7.1.1 Vina Stakeholder Advisory Committee 11/04/21 Meeting Summary (*Report - Linda Herman*)

**8. ADJOURNMENT:**

The meeting will adjourn to the regular Vina GSA Board meeting to be held on May 11, 2022, at 5:30 p.m. in the Chico Council Chamber in the Chico Municipal Center building located at 421 Main Street, Chico, California and online via Zoom.



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