



# CUYAMA BASIN GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

### Board of Directors

**Derek Yurosek** Chair, Cuyama Basin Water District  
**Lynn Compton** Vice Chair, County of San Luis Obispo  
**Das Williams** Santa Barbara County Water Agency  
**Cory Bantilan** Santa Barbara County Water Agency  
**Glenn Shephard** County of Ventura  
**Zack Scrivner** County of Kern

**Paul Chounet** Cuyama Community Services District  
**Byron Albano** Cuyama Basin Water District  
**Lorena Stoller** Cuyama Basin Water District  
**Matt Vickery** Cuyama Basin Water District  
**Jane Wooster** Cuyama Basin Water District

### AGENDA

JANUARY 5, 2022

Agenda for a meeting of the Cuyama Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency Board of Directors to be held on Wednesday, January 5, 2022, at 4:00 PM. Participate via computer at: <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/203153453>, or telephonically at (646) 749-3122, code: 203-153-453#.

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Adopt Resolution No. 21-112 Authorizing Use of Teleconferencing for Public Meetings Under AB 361
5. Election of Officers
6. Standing Advisory Committee Meeting Report

### CONSENT AGENDA

7. Approval of Minutes – November 3, 2021
8. Approval of Payment of Bills for October and November 2021
9. Approval of Financial Report for October and November 2021

### ACTION ITEMS

10. Direction on Management Area Policies in the Central Basin
11. Direction on Adaptive Management Actions
12. Direction on Reimbursement for Well Owner Energy Costs related to Aquifer Analysis Program
13. Direction on Adding New Monitoring Wells
14. Direction on Potential Non-Compliance with Meter Requirement
15. Approve DWR 2022 Grant Application Projects
16. Adopt Resolution No. 2022-01 Designating the CBGSA Board Chairperson as the Authorized Representative to File an Application and Execute an Agreement with the California Department of

**REPORT ITEMS**

17. Administrative Updates
  - a) Report of the Executive Director
  - b) Report of the General Counsel
  - c) Report on the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Audit
  - d) Update on Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Budget and Groundwater Extraction Fee Development
18. Technical Updates
  - a) Update on Groundwater Sustainability Plan Activities
  - b) Update on Water Year 2020-2021 Annual Report Development
  - c) Update on Monitoring Network Implementation
19. Report of the Ad Hoc Committee
20. Directors' Forum
21. Public comment for Items Not on the Agenda
22. Correspondence
23. Adjourn

**RESOLUTION 21-112****A RESOLUTION OF  
THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE  
CUYAMA BASIN GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY  
AUTHORIZING USE OF TELECONFERENCING FOR PUBLIC MEETINGS UNDER  
AB 361**

**WHEREAS**, the Governor of the State of California (Governor) proclaimed a State of Emergency to exist as a result of the threat of COVID-19. (Governor's Proclamation of a State of Emergency (Mar. 4, 2020));

**WHEREAS**, the Governor's Executive Order No. N-25-20 (Mar. 12, 2020); Governor's Executive Order No. N-29-20 (Mar. 17, 2020); and Governor's Executive Order No. N-08-21 (Jun. 11, 2021) provided that local legislative bodies may hold public meetings via teleconferencing and make public meetings accessible telephonically or otherwise electronically to all members of the public seeking to observe and to address the local legislative body and waived the Brown Act provisions found in Government Code section 54953(b)(3) which require the physical presence of the members, the clerk, or other personnel of the body, or the public, as a condition of participation in, or quorum for, a public meeting, including the requirement that:

1. State and local bodies notice each teleconference location from which a member will be participating in a public meeting.
2. Each teleconference location be accessible to the public.
3. Members of the public may address the body at each teleconference location.
4. State and local bodies post agendas at all teleconference locations.
5. During teleconference meetings at least a quorum of the members of the local body participate from locations within the boundaries of the territory over which the local body exercises jurisdiction.

**WHEREAS**, the provisions of Governor's Executive Order No. N-25-20 (Mar. 12, 2020); Governor's Executive Order No. N-29-20 (Mar. 17, 2020); and Governor's Executive Order No. N-08-21 (Jun. 11, 2021) expired on September 30, 2021 and will no longer remain in effect thereafter;

**WHEREAS**, the Center for Disease Control is currently contending with the Delta Variant of the COVID-19 virus and anticipates the development of potential other strains which may further impede public agency operations and prolong the need for social distancing requirements; and

**WHEREAS**, recent legislation (AB 361) authorizes a local legislative body to use teleconferencing for a public meeting without complying with the Brown Act's teleconferencing quorum, meeting notice, and agenda requirements set forth in Government Code section 54953(b)(3), in any of the following circumstances:

1. The legislative body holds a meeting during a proclaimed state of emergency, and state or local officials have imposed or recommended measures to promote social distancing.
2. The legislative body holds a meeting during a proclaimed state of emergency for purposes of determining, by majority vote, whether as a result of the emergency, meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health and safety of attendees.
3. The legislative body holds a meeting during a proclaimed state of emergency and has determined by majority vote pursuant to 2 above that, as a result of the emergency, meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Directors of the Cuyama Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency as follows:

**1. Determination of Imminent Health or Safety Risks.** The Board of Directors hereby determines by majority vote that, as a result of the emergency, meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees.

**2. Continued Implementation of AB 361.** If the state of emergency remains in effect and meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees, the Board of Directors shall, to continue meeting subject to the provisions set forth in AB 361 and the Brown Act, no later than 30 days after it adopts this Resolution and every 30 days thereafter, make the following findings by majority vote:

1. The Board of Directors has reconsidered the circumstances of the state of emergency;  
*and*
2. Either (1) the state of emergency continues to directly impact the ability of the members to meet safely in person; or (2) state or local officials impose or recommend measures to promote social distancing.

**PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED** this 5th day of January 2022.

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Derek Yurosek, Chair

ATTEST:

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# Cuyama Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency Board of Directors Meeting

November 3, 2021

## Draft Meeting Minutes

### PRESENT:

Yurosek, Derek – Chair  
Compton, Lynn – Vice Chair  
Bantilan, Cory – Secretary  
Vickery, Matt – Treasurer  
Albano, Byron  
Chounet, Paul  
Christensen, Alan  
Shephard, Glenn  
Stoller, Lorena  
Williams, Das  
Wooster, Jane  
Beck, Jim – Executive Director  
Hughes, Joe – Legal Counsel

### ABSENT:

None

#### 1. Call to Order

Cuyama Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency (CBGSA) Chair Derek Yurosek called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

CBGSA Executive Director Jim Beck reminded meeting attendees to use the GoToMeeting chat feature for indicating to staff that they have a question, but to please refrain from listing the actual comment in the chat to prevent conversations from developing in the chat box where not everyone may have access to observe those discussions.

Hallmark Group Project Manager Taylor Blakslee provided direction on the meeting protocols in facilitating a remote-only meeting.

#### 2. Roll Call

Mr. Blakslee called roll (shown above) and informed Chair Yurosek that there was a quorum of the Board.

#### 3. Pledge of Allegiance

The pledge of allegiance was led by Chair Yurosek.

**4. Adopt Resolution No. 21-112 Authorizing Use of Teleconferencing for Public Meetings Under AB 361**

CBGSA Legal Counsel Joe Hughes presented Resolution No. 21-112 that allows for public meetings to meet remotely due to COVID issues.

**MOTION**

Director Chounet made a motion to adopt resolution No. 21-112 authorizing the use of teleconferencing for public meetings under AB 361. The motion was seconded by Director Bantilan, a roll call vote was made and passed with 82%.

- AYES: Bantilan, Chounet, Christensen, Shephard, Stoller, Vickery, Williams, Wooster, Yurosek
- NOES: Albano
- ABSTAIN: None
- ABSENT: Compton

Director Albano commented that he voted no because he believes meeting remote-only disenfranchises the public since there are internet/connection issues in the Cuyama Valley and he stressed the need to meet in-person as soon as possible.

**5. Standing Advisory Committee Meeting Report**

SAC Chair Brenton Kelly provided a report on the October 28, 2021, SAC meeting and is included in the Board packet.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**6-8. Consent Agenda**

Chair Yurosek asked if any Directors wanted to move any of the consent items out to discuss in more detail. Director Vickery asked to move the minutes out for further discussion. Chair Yurosek asked is there was a motion for consent agenda item nos. 7 and 8.

**MOTION**

Director Vickery made a motion to approve the consent agenda consisting of agenda items: 7. Payment of bills for July, August, and September 2021; and 8. Financial Reports for July, August, and September 2021. The motion was seconded by Director Williams, a roll call vote was made and passed with 89%.

- AYES: Albano, Bantilan, Chounet, Christensen, Shephard, Stoller, Vickery, Williams, Wooster, Yurosek
- NOES: None
- ABSTAIN: None
- ABSENT: Compton

**6. Approval of Minutes – August 18, 2021**

Director Vickery commented that he had a correction to his motion for the adaptive management direction provided on August 18, 2021. He reported that he coordinated with staff

to make this change and the second on the motion also approved the correction.

**MOTION**

Director Wooster made a motion to approve the August 18, 2021, Board meeting minutes with correction to the adaptive management motion. The motion was seconded by Director Vickery, a roll call vote was made and passed with 89%.

AYES:	Albano, Bantilan, Chounet, Christensen, Shephard, Stoller, Vickery, Williams, Wooster, Yurosek
NOES:	None
ABSTAIN:	None
ABSENT:	Compton

**ACTION ITEMS**

**9. Review of Memorandum in Response to DWR’s Consultation Letter Dated June 3, 2021**

Mr. Beck provided background information on the process and timeline for the CBGSA’s development of responses to the California Department of Water Resources’ (DWR) four potential corrective actions provided in their June 3, 2021, consultation letter. He encouraged stakeholders to narrow their comments to how the technical memorandum conforms to the direction provided by the Board on August 18, 2021.

Corrective Action No. 1 – Justification for Sustainable Management Criteria

Woodard & Curran Project Manager Brian Van Lienden presented an overview of DWR’s comments, and the response staff developed at the Board’s direction.

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*Director Compton joined at 4:36 p.m.*  
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He explained the analysis performed showed potentially eight (8) wells going dry if wells were artificially lowered to their minimum thresholds, however, for one well, its owner (Ray Shady) let him know that the well indicated as potentially going dry was not in existence anymore and Mr. Van Lienden said given that information he would like to remove that well from the analysis which would bring the total number of wells potentially going dry to seven (7).

Mr. Van Lienden described the second modeling analysis that was performed in the Northwestern Region. The analysis artificially lowered groundwater elevations for wells in the Northwestern Region to the minimum threshold in the numerical model for 10 years (to reach equilibrium). He reported that the analysis showed a drawdown of up to 150-200 feet in the Northfork Vineyard well area, but the analysis showed no change in groundwater levels at nearby domestic wells. He also noted that there was less than a five (5)-foot drop in groundwater levels at a nearby groundwater dependent ecosystem.

Chair Yurosek asked Mr. Blakslee to report who was on the DWR Coordination Ad hoc that reviewed the technical memo and Mr. Blakslee reported the ad hoc consists of Directors, Bantilan, Chounet, Shephard, Wooster and Yurosek.

Chair Yurosek asked SAC Chair Kelly if the SAC had any feedback on this item. Chair Kelly reported on the SAC's feedback which is included in the Board packet but noted there was SAC concern about the continued groundwater level drawdown and said the 30 percent trigger was made by the Board was not protective enough of groundwater levels.

Director Williams expressed concern with relying on data provided by a consultant hired by Grapevine Capital. Director Wooster said there has been a lot of concern with the data from Cleath-Harris, but she said this is the only grower that has gone out and hired a professional firm to understand the groundwater in that area since the CBGSA was formed and does not think the Board should automatically discount it. Director Williams said he has advised this grower for years to peer-review their work and they have not done that yet. He said he applauds them for doing this work, but their work needs to be corroborated by an un-biased party.

Director Stoller asked how long it takes for actions to occur if the 30 percent threshold is triggered. Mr. Beck replied that a potential exceedance would be reported in the Annual Report and DWR would likely hold a consultation with the CBGSA prior to State Water Resources Control Board involvement.

Director Albano asked to what extent we are relying on Cleath-Harris in the Northwestern Region modeling analysis. Mr. Van Lienden said the Board used the numerical model for the Northwestern Region.

Local stakeholder George Adam asked if there is a groundwater level drop in the Northwestern Region what will the general ramifications be. Mr. Beck replied that the Board adopted Adaptive Management actions that will review potential exceedances and may consider several actions including enforcing reduced pumping in individuals.

#### Corrective Action No. 2 – Interconnected Surface Water

Mr. Van Lienden provided an overview of DWR's reply to the use groundwater levels as a proxy for depletion of interconnected surface water (ISW). He noted that DWR felt the ISW network was too broad and should be focused more narrowly along the river corridor. Mr. Van Lienden reported that the ad hoc developed options to include nine shallow wells in the south and northwestern regions and three deeper wells in the Central Basin to monitor if groundwater levels increase and achieve connection with surface waters.

Chair Yurosek asked SAC Chair Kelly for the SAC report, and he noted that they were told these wells were selected because of specific screened intervals, but the table summarizing the wells information show most do not have screen depths.

Director Wooster said the Cuyama River does not run all year long and noted there is a spot where the river comes up at the Russel fault but is dry for most of the year.

#### Corrective Action No. 3 – Degraded Water Quality

Brian provided an overview of DWR's request to perform additional water quality monitoring for arsenic and nitrates.



SAC Chair Kelly provided comments which are included in the SAC report.

Director Albano commented that there is a potential for water quality to get worse with reduced pumping. Mr. Beck said these are good comments and agrees with his concerns, and water quality migration models will require additional consideration down the road to address this possibility.

Corrective Action No. 4 – Explanation of Overdraft will be Mitigated

Mr. Van Lienden provided an overview of the analysis performed in the Northwestern Region and provided the recommendation for evaluating the potential for a management area in Ventucopa.

SAC Chair Kelly provided comments which are summarized in his SAC report.

Chair Vickery asked if staff was aware of any other studies other than the Cleath-Harris study. Mr. Van Lienden replied he was not aware of any other studies. Director Vickery asked when the Cleath-Harris study was performed, and Director Wooster said it was done after the CBGSA was formed in 2017.

**10. Adopt Resolution No. 21-113 Enacting Corrective Actions in Response to DWR’s Consultation Letter Dated June 3, 2021**

Mr. Beck reported that DWR requested the CBGSA response to their consultation letter be memorialized in the form of a Board resolution which is included in the packet. He reported there were two edits suggested by the SAC that staff believe are appropriate. The first suggested edit is to remove the word “new” from the second bullet in the second bullet section on page three of the technical memo. The second suggested change is to include a reference that the Cleath-Harris report was paid by a grower in the Northwestern Region. Director Vickery noted that Mr. Van Lienden mentioned removing an inactive well from the analysis and Mr. Beck confirmed this was an additional recommended edit.

Chair Yurosek asked if the SAC voted on this item and SAC Chair Kelly reported that the SAC felt it was important to move forward even though there was dissatisfaction with the report and the SAC vote adopted the technical memo with a 5-2 vote with Chair Kelly and SAC Member Jaffe voting against.

**MOTION**

Director Vickery made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 21-113 enacting corrective actions in response to DWR’s consultation letter dated June 3, 2021. The motion was seconded by Director Chounet, a roll call vote was made and passed with 100%

- AYES: Albano, Bantilan, Chounet, Christensen, Compton, Shephard, Stoller, Vickery, Williams, Wooster, Yurosek
- NOES: None
- ABSTAIN: None
- ABSENT: None

**11. Direction on Aquifer Test Program**

Mr. Van Lienden provided an overview of the aquifer analysis test process and how it will integrate into the model results which is provided in the Board packet. The Board directed staff to identify well locations and work out any other logistic issues with an ad hoc of the Board.

**12. Authorize Work to Pursue DWR Grant Opportunity**

Mr. Blakslee provided an overview of a DWR grant opportunity for up to \$7.6 million for implementation and planning projects. He asked the Board if they would like staff to pursue this grant opportunity and noted that the Board approved the budget that includes money to go after this type of grant.

Director Vickery recommended staff attempts to get grant funding to support meters, but staff let him know that unfortunately, the reimbursement period would be after the meter deadline requirement set by the Board.

Chair Yurosek said he is very supportive of pursuing these type of grant opportunities and said the SAC should be involved in reviewing the grant list and ranking matrix.

**13. Approval of Comment Letter on DWR Draft Grant Proposal Solicitation Package**

Mr. Blakslee reported that the grant proposal is in draft form and DWR is recommending a streamlined process. However, DWR noted that support letters for this simpler, more cost-effective grant administration would be very helpful for DWR during its comment review phase. Mr. Blakslee provided a grant letter of support for consideration of Board approval.

**MOTION**

Director Compton made a motion to send a support letter to DWR for the upcoming grant opportunity. The motion was seconded by Director Chounet, a roll call vote was made and passed with 100%

- AYES: Albano, Bantilan, Chounet, Christensen, Compton, Shephard, Stoller, Vickery, Williams, Wooster, Yurosek
- NOES: None
- ABSTAIN: None
- ABSENT: None

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*Director Bantilan left the meeting at 6:00 p.m.*  
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**14. Authorize a Change Order for the Hallmark Group**

Mr. Blakslee provided an update on a change order for two cost categories which are (1) out of scope activities related to adjudication impacts, and (2) higher than expected activity related to responses to the California Department of Water Resources draft comments for a total amount of \$28,000.00.

Director Stoller asked how we can limit the number of calls and meeting regarding adjudication. Mr. Beck said staff receives calls from regulators, Directors and stakeholders and attempt to

work things out in an effective way and while staff always endeavors to save money, but these processes are not as straightforward as other specific, discrete activities.

**MOTION**

Director Wooster made a motion to authorize Amendment 1 to Task Order 7 for Hallmark Group in the amount of \$28,000 through June 30, 2022. The motion was seconded by Director Compton, a roll call vote was made and passed with 89%

- AYES: Albano, Chounet, Christensen, Compton, Shephard, Stoller, Vickery, Williams, Wooster, Yurosek
- NOES: None
- ABSTAIN: None
- ABSENT: Bantilan

**15. Adopt the 2022 Meeting Schedule**

Mr. Blakslee presented the 2022 SAC and Board calendar. Director Chounet asked staff to review the ability to meet less frequently during the upcoming budget process and staff confirmed that will consider this.

**MOTION**

Director Vickery made a motion to set the 2022 SAC and Board meeting dates. The motion was seconded by Director Stoller, a roll call vote was made and passed with 89%.

- AYES: Albano, Chounet, Christensen, Compton, Shephard, Stoller, Vickery, Williams, Wooster, Yurosek
- NOES: None
- ABSTAIN: None
- ABSENT: Bantilan

**REPORT ITEMS**

**16. Administrative Updates**

**a. Report of the Executive Director**

Mr. Beck reported that the planned landowner workshop is hold due to COVID issues, but staff will be evaluating the earliest this meeting can be facilitated. He provided an overview of the recently released State evapotranspiration Open ET tool and commented that there several issues that need to be addressed with Open ET including the data validation process.

Santa Barbara County Water Agency Executive Director Matt Young provided an update on a Santa Barbara County meter reimbursement program that will provide Santa Barbara well owners with a rebate of \$200 per entity.

Mr. Blakslee provided an overview of the progress and next steps and the budget to actuals for consultants which are included in the Board packet.

**b. Report of the General Counsel**

Mr. Hughes had no additional update to report.

**c. Update on Coordination with Counties and Well Permitting Process**

Mr. Beck reported that staff met with representatives from San Luis Obispo and Ventura counties to coordinate on the process for reviewing well permits.

**d. Update on Additional Grant Opportunities**

Mr. Blakslee presented several DWR drought-related grant opportunities and one California Department of Food and Agriculture grant. He noted that the DWR grants require a public agency or non-profit can submit a grant, but the CDFA grant can be applied for by individuals. He noted that staff received a few requests for CBGSA support for applying for grants but commented that the Board did not budget for this and asked for feedback on the potential Board policy to develop a process for identifying landowner-initiated projects, direct request to other eligible public agencies or discuss in further detail at a subsequent meeting.

Director Vickery said he believes it is important to communicate grant opportunities but does not believe the CBGSA should be administering individual grant programs.

SAC Member Jaffe said facilitating grants for landowners could foster community goodwill.

SAC Chair Kelly said the CBGSA Groundwater Sustainability Plan states that it supports well improvement projects in the disadvantaged communities of Ventucopa and the old Cuyama townsite.

Chair Yurosek said it is important to have the landowner workshop and share grant opportunities with stakeholders.

**17. Technical Updates**

**a. Update on Groundwater Sustainability Plan Activities**

Mr. Van Lienden provided an update on the Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) activities and the overall project schedule which are included in the Board packet.

**b. Update on Monitoring Network Implementation**

Mr. Van Lienden provided an update on monitoring network implementation activities which are included in the Board packet.

**c. Update on Monthly Groundwater Conditions Report**

Mr. Van Lienden provided an update on the groundwater level monitoring network and levels for June, July and October 2021 which is included in the Board packet.

**18. Closed Session**

Closed session started at 7:00 pm and concluded at 7:39 pm. The meeting was adjourned to open session and no reportable action was taken.

**19. Report of the Ad Hoc Committee**

Nothing to report.

**20. Directors' Forum**

Nothing to report.

**21. Public Comment for Items Not on the Agenda**

Mr. Blakslee reported that Kathleen March asked staff to present a number of emails as her public comment regarding minimum thresholds in the Northwestern Region and a Santa Barbara County Water Agency report on recharge in the Northwestern Region.

**22. Correspondence**

Nothing to report.

**23. Adjourn**

Chair Yurosek adjourned the meeting at 7:42 p.m.

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Minutes approved by the Board of Directors of the Cuyama Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency the 5th day of January 2022.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE  
CUYAMA BASIN GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY

Chair: \_\_\_\_\_

ATTEST:

Secretary: \_\_\_\_\_



TO: Board of Directors  
Agenda Item No. 8

FROM: Taylor Blakslee, Hallmark Group

DATE: January 5, 2022

SUBJECT: Approval of Payment of Bills for October and November 2021

**Issue**

Consider approving the payment of bills for October and November 2021.

**Recommended Motion**

Approve payment of the bills for October and November 2021 in the amount of \$122,790.83.

**Discussion**

Consultant invoices for the months of October and November are provided as Attachment 1 and summarized below.

<b>Expense</b>	<b>Oct</b>	<b>Nov</b>	<b>Totals</b>
<b>Hallmark – Administration</b>	\$20,601.19	\$15,462.36	\$36,063.55
<b>Klein – Legal</b>	\$698.50	\$4,380.50	\$5,079.00
<b>W&amp;C – Technical</b>	\$45,890.40	\$34,357.88	\$80,248.28
<b>DPVB – Auditor</b>		\$1,400.00	\$1,400.00
			<b>\$122,790.83</b>



INVOICE

**To: Cuyama Basin GSA**  
 Attn: Jim Beck  
 4900 California Avenue, Ste B  
 Bakersfield, CA 93309

**Please Remit To: Hallmark Group**  
 500 Capitol Mall, Ste 2350  
 Sacramento, CA 95814  
 P: (916) 923-1500

**Invoice No.:** 2021-CBGSA-11  
**Task Order No.:** CB-HG-007  
**Agreement No.:** 201709-CB-001  
**Date:** November 30, 2021

For professional services rendered for the month of November 2021:

Task Order	Sub Task	Task Description	Billing Classification	Hours	Rate	Amount
CB-HG-007	1	Board of Directors and Advisory Committee Meetings	Executive Director - J. Beck	13.75	\$ 350.00	\$ 4,812.50
			Project Coordinator - T. Blakslee	14.50	\$ 175.00	\$ 2,537.50
<b>Total Sub Task 1 Labor</b>						<b>\$ 7,350.00</b>
CB-HG-007	2	Consultant Management and GSP Implementation	Executive Director - J. Beck	3.75	\$ 350.00	\$ 1,312.50
			Project Coordinator - T. Blakslee	19.00	\$ 175.00	\$ 3,325.00
<b>Total Sub Task 2 Labor</b>						<b>\$ 4,637.50</b>
CB-HG-007	3	Financial Information Coordination	Executive Director - J. Beck	0.00	\$ 350.00	\$ -
			Project Controls - J. Harris	2.25	\$ 200.00	\$ 450.00
			Project Coordinator - T. Blakslee	1.75	\$ 175.00	\$ 306.25
<b>Total Sub Task 3 Labor</b>						<b>\$ 756.25</b>
CB-HG-007	4	CBGSA Outreach	Executive Director - J. Beck	0.00	\$ 350.00	\$ -
			Project Coordinator - T. Blakslee	5.00	\$ 175.00	\$ 875.00
<b>Total Sub Task 4 Labor</b>						<b>\$ 875.00</b>
CB-HG-007	5	Groundwater Extraction Fee - Funding	Executive Director - J. Beck	0.00	\$ 350.00	\$ -
			Project Controls - J. Harris	0.00	\$ 200.00	\$ -
			Project Coordinator - T. Blakslee	0.00	\$ 175.00	\$ -
<b>Total Sub Task 5 Labor</b>						<b>\$ -</b>
CB-HG-007	6	Support for CBGSA Response to DWR and Public Comments	Executive Director - J. Beck	0.00	\$ 350.00	\$ -
			Project Coordinator - T. Blakslee	1.00	\$ 175.00	\$ 175.00
<b>Total Sub Task 6 Labor</b>						<b>\$ 175.00</b>
CB-HG-007	7	Management Area Policy	Executive Director - J. Beck	0.00	\$ 350.00	\$ -
			Project Coordinator - T. Blakslee	5.75	\$ 175.00	\$ 1,006.25
<b>Total Sub Task 7 Labor</b>						<b>\$ 1,006.25</b>
CB-HG-007	8	Adjudication Support	Executive Director - J. Beck	0.00	\$ 350.00	\$ -
			Project Coordinator - T. Blakslee	1.00	\$ 175.00	\$ 175.00
<b>Total Sub Task 8 Labor</b>						<b>\$ 175.00</b>
<b>Total Labor</b>						<b>\$ 14,975.00</b>
GoToMeeting Conference Calls				Minutes:	883 .05 c	\$ 44.15
QuickBooks Accounting Software - Annual Fee						\$ 420.00
<b>SubTotal Travel and Other Direct Costs</b>						<b>\$ 464.15</b>
ODC Mark Up - Other					5%	\$ 23.21
<b>Total Travel and Other Direct Costs</b>						<b>\$ 487.36</b>
<b>TOTAL AMOUNT DUE THIS INVOICE</b>						<b>\$ 15,462.36</b>

MAXIMUM CONTRACT VALUE AND PROGRESS BILLING						
Task Order	Original Totals	Amendment(s)	Total Committed	Previously Billed	Current Billing	Remaining Balance
CB-HG-007	\$ 207,440.00	\$ 28,000.00	\$ 235,440.00	\$ 82,687.50	\$ 14,975.00	\$ 137,777.50
Provost & Pritchard	\$ -	\$ 230,000.00	\$ 230,000.00	\$ 180,084.71	\$ -	\$ 49,915.29
Travel and ODC	\$ 2,985.00	\$ 768.00	\$ 3,753.00	\$ 1,585.02	\$ 487.36	\$ 1,680.62
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 210,425.00</b>	<b>\$ 258,768.00</b>	<b>\$ 469,193.00</b>	<b>\$ 264,357.23</b>	<b>\$ 15,462.36</b>	<b>\$ 189,373.41</b>

# CUYAMA BASIN GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY

## PROGRESS REPORT FOR TASK ORDER CB-HG-007

<b>Client Name:</b>	Cuyama Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency	<b>Agreement Number:</b>	201709-CB-001
<b>Company Name:</b>	HGCPM, Inc. DBA The Hallmark Group	<b>Address:</b>	500 Capitol Mall, Suite 2350 Sacramento, CA 95814
<b>Task Order Number:</b>	CB-HG-007	<b>Report Period:</b>	November 1-30, 2021
<b>Progress Report Number:</b>	33	<b>Project Manager:</b>	Jim Beck
<b>Invoice Number:</b>	2021-CBGSA-11	<b>Invoice Date:</b>	November 30, 2021

## SUMMARY OF WORK PERFORMED

### Task 1: Board of Directors and Advisory Committee Meetings

- Reviewed emails to Board and CBGSA from J. Wooster, K. March and M. Scudato regarding Santa Barbara report on recharge in Northwestern Region.
- Developed Board meeting agenda and reviewed with legal and Woodard & Curran.
- Developed Board presentation for November 3, 2021, Board meeting.
- Prepared for and attended BOD on November 3, 2021, meeting.
- Correspondence with a Director regarding edits to the August 18, 2021, Board minutes.
- Reviewed Board meeting packet with legal and Woodard & Curran.
- Correspondence with a Director regarding grant agenda items.
- Correspondence with D. Yurosek regarding Board agenda and debrief with legal team.
- Meeting with D. Yurosek, J. Hughes, A. Dominguez and T. Blakslee to discuss approach on allocation development, Board and ad hoc schedule.
- Document review, preparation for and participation in Adaptive Management Area ad hoc and Management Area ad hoc.
- Drafted and review public comment guidelines with legal counsel.
- Distributed SAC report.
- Discussed grant opportunities with DWR.
- Board meeting debrief with Board Chair.
- Calendared 2022 SAC and Board meeting dates.
- Reviewed Cuyama website and coordinated updates with Woodard & Curran.
- Reviewed CBWD agenda.
- Set up grant ad hoc.

### Task 2: Consultant Management and GSP Implementation

- Prepared for and facilitated weekly Program Management Team (PMT) meetings regarding GSP implementation efforts.



- Touched base with Woodard & Curran staff on grant completion reports.
- Correspondence with Santa Barbara County regarding Northwestern Region recharge data reports.
- Discussed model results for Northwestern Region with Woodard & Curran.
- Touched base with DWR on water quality reporting requirements.
- Drafted Cuyama grant component list and reviewed with Woodard & Curran.
- Reviewed DWR monitoring network module and coordinated with Woodard & Curran on a response.
- Scheduled Adaptive Management ad hoc meeting.
- Touched base with Woodard & Curran on grant update, technical items, and task tracking.
- Set up Aquifer Analysis ad hoc meeting.
- Touched base with DWR on the DWR TSS program including transducers requests.
- Touched base with Provost & Pritchard on survey results.
- Distributed revised Adaptive Management information.
- Prepared for and attended Adaptive Management ad hoc meeting.
- Summarized meter policy and distributed small pumper forms to known pumpers.
- Correspondence with Grimmway regarding meter information and potential dedicated monitoring well offer.
- Reviewed water quality data.

### **Task 3: Financial Information Coordination**

- Billing, accounting, and administration.
- Developed audit documentation and transmitted to DPVB.
- Correspondence with Santa Barbara County regarding groundwater extraction delinquent payment.
- Processed and reviewed grant invoice and distributed to DWR.
- Internal correspondence regarding audit update.

### **Task 4: Cuyama Basin GSA Outreach**

- Call with a Director and discussions with legal counsel regarding correspondence from local stakeholder K. March.
- Call with M. Young regarding Santa Barbara County meter reimbursement program.
- Discussed Cuyama public outreach strategy with Catalyst Group C. Gardiner and A. Pope.
- Touched base with CBWD Manager M. Klinchuch regarding stakeholder call regarding COVID.
- Touched base with R. Shady regarding Northwestern Region recharge studies.
- Finalized new landowner sheet for correspondence with the counties.
- Coordinated media requests.
- Touched base with M. Scudato on water level shapefile and Santa Barbara County meter program.
- Updated stakeholder contact list.

### **Task 5: Groundwater Extraction Fee Funding Process and Administration**

- *No efforts conducted under this task in November.*

### **Task 6: Support for CBGSA Response to DWR and Public Comments**

- Finalized DWR consultation letter and sent to DWR.
- Uploaded Cuyama response to DWR portal.

### **Task 7: Management Area Policy**

- Discussed general Management Area strategy with legal.
- Scheduled Management Area policy ad hoc meeting.
- Drafted Management Area policy presentation and reviewed with legal.
- Prepared for and facilitated Management Area Policy ad hoc meeting and followed up on data request from ad hoc.

#### **Task 8: Support for CBGSA Response to DWR and Public Comments**

- Reviewed and prepared response to Zimmer & Melton request for pumper contact information in coordination with legal.

#### **DELIVERABLES AND COMPLETED TASKS**

- Facilitated Board meeting on November 3, 2021.
- Submitted technical memo in response to DWR's GSP consultation letter.
- Facilitated Adaptive Management Ad hoc.
- Facilitated Management Area Policy Ad hoc.
- Finalized new landowner information sheet.

#### **PLANNED OBJECTIVES FOR NEXT REPORTING PERIOD**

- Facilitate bi-weekly CBGSA program management team meetings.
- Facilitate Management Area Policy ad hoc discussions.
- Finalize meeting materials for January 4<sup>th</sup> SAC and January 5<sup>th</sup> Board meeting.
- Administer meter installation requirement for larger pumpers.

#### **SIGNIFICANT ISSUES OR CHALLENGES (IF ANY) AND POTENTIAL RESOLUTIONS**

- N/A



INVOICE

**To: Cuyama Basin GSA**  
 Attn: Jim Beck  
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 Bakersfield, CA 93309

**Please Remit To: Hallmark Group**  
 500 Capitol Mall, Ste 2350  
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**Invoice No.:** 2021-CBGS-10  
**Task Order No.:** CB-HG-007  
**Agreement No.:** 201709-CB-001  
**Date:** October 31, 2021

For professional services rendered for the month of October 2021:

Task Order	Sub Task	Task Description	Billing Classification	Hours	Rate	Amount
CB-HG-007	1	Board of Directors and Advisory Committee Meetings	Executive Director - J. Beck	12.00	\$ 350.00	\$ 4,200.00
			Project Coordinator - T. Blakslee	30.25	\$ 175.00	\$ 5,293.75
<b>Total Sub Task 1 Labor</b>						<b>\$ 9,493.75</b>
CB-HG-007	2	Consultant Management and GSP Implementation	Executive Director - J. Beck	3.50	\$ 350.00	\$ 1,225.00
			Project Coordinator - T. Blakslee	12.50	\$ 175.00	\$ 2,187.50
<b>Total Sub Task 2 Labor</b>						<b>\$ 3,412.50</b>
CB-HG-007	3	Financial Information Coordination	Executive Director - J. Beck	0.00	\$ 350.00	\$ -
			Project Controls - J. Harris	17.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 3,400.00
			Project Coordinator - T. Blakslee	9.75	\$ 175.00	\$ 1,706.25
<b>Total Sub Task 3 Labor</b>						<b>\$ 5,106.25</b>
CB-HG-007	4	CBGSA Outreach	Executive Director - J. Beck	0.00	\$ 350.00	\$ -
			Project Coordinator - T. Blakslee	7.50	\$ 175.00	\$ 1,312.50
<b>Total Sub Task 4 Labor</b>						<b>\$ 1,312.50</b>
CB-HG-007	5	Groundwater Extraction Fee - Funding	Executive Director - J. Beck	0.00	\$ 350.00	\$ -
			Project Controls - J. Harris	0.00	\$ 200.00	\$ -
			Project Coordinator - T. Blakslee	0.00	\$ 175.00	\$ -
<b>Total Sub Task 5 Labor</b>						<b>\$ -</b>
CB-HG-007	6	Support for CBGSA Response to DWR and Public Comments	Executive Director - J. Beck	0.00	\$ 350.00	\$ -
			Project Coordinator - T. Blakslee	7.00	\$ 175.00	\$ 1,225.00
<b>Total Sub Task 6 Labor</b>						<b>\$ 1,225.00</b>
<b>Total Labor</b>						<b>\$ 20,550.00</b>
GoToMeeting Conference Calls				Minutes:	975 .05 c	\$ 48.75
<b>SubTotal Travel and Other Direct Costs</b>						<b>\$ 48.75</b>
ODC Mark Up - Other					5%	\$ 2.44
<b>Total Travel and Other Direct Costs</b>						<b>\$ 51.19</b>
<b>TOTAL AMOUNT DUE THIS INVOICE</b>						<b>\$ 20,601.19</b>

MAXIMUM CONTRACT VALUE AND PROGRESS BILLING						
Task Order	Original Totals	Amendment(s)	Total Committed	Previously Billed	Current Billing	Remaining Balance
CB-HG-007	\$ 207,440.00	\$ -	\$ 207,440.00	\$ 62,137.50	\$ 20,550.00	\$ 124,752.50
Provost & Pritchard	\$ -	\$ 230,000.00	\$ 230,000.00	\$ 180,084.71	\$ -	\$ 49,915.29
Travel and ODC	\$ 2,985.00	\$ 768.00	\$ 3,753.00	\$ 1,533.83	\$ 51.19	\$ 2,167.98
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 210,425.00</b>	<b>\$ 230,768.00</b>	<b>\$ 441,193.00</b>	<b>\$ 243,756.04</b>	<b>\$ 20,601.19</b>	<b>\$ 176,835.77</b>

# CUYAMA BASIN GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY

## PROGRESS REPORT FOR TASK ORDER CB-HG-007

<b>Client Name:</b>	Cuyama Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency	<b>Agreement Number:</b>	201709-CB-001
<b>Company Name:</b>	HGCPM, Inc. DBA The Hallmark Group	<b>Address:</b>	500 Capitol Mall, Suite 2350 Sacramento, CA 95814
<b>Task Order Number:</b>	CB-HG-007	<b>Report Period:</b>	October 1-31, 2021
<b>Progress Report Number:</b>	32	<b>Project Manager:</b>	Jim Beck
<b>Invoice Number:</b>	2021-CBGSA-10	<b>Invoice Date:</b>	October 31, 2021

## SUMMARY OF WORK PERFORMED

### Task 1: Board of Directors and Advisory Committee Meetings

- Correspondence with legal regarding DWR technical response memo.
- Draft agenda and prepare for November Board meeting.
- Coordinated and attended SAC meeting debrief with legal and Woodard & Curran.
- Draft agenda and prepare for and attend SAC meeting.
- Distribute meeting materials to Board.
- Touched base with legal on remote-only and closed session meetings.
- Prepared for adjudication and management area information closed session meeting.
- Draft grant slides and review with Woodard & Curran.
- Review EKI CBWD slides.
- Draft resolution for DWR tech memo and 2022 calendar memo.
- Touched base with legal on Brown Act issues.
- Submitted water code information to legal.

### Task 2: Consultant Management and GSP Implementation

- Potential adjudication impact discussion with B. Albano.
- Meetings with San Luis Obispo and Ventura County staff regarding well permitting coordination.
- Prepared for and facilitated biweekly project team meeting regarding GSP implementation efforts.
- Discussed detailed Management Area map with Director J. Wooster.
- Correspondence with Woodard & Curran regarding review of technical memo, aquifer test, and adaptive management analysis.
- Correspondence with legal regarding online parcel numbers.
- Reviewed CBWD letter on model issues and communication with Woodard & Curran.
- Coordination with Provost & Pritchard on monitoring network activities and land survey of well sites.
- Update with CBWD Manager M. Klinchuch on Groundswell meeting and model integration.
- Executed Provost & Pritchard contracts and distributed.

- Coordinated model review call.
- Coordinated with Woodard & Curran on stakeholder questions regarding the aquifer test program.
- Correspondence with Provost & Pritchard regarding missing groundwater level data.
- Review and report on Open ET to the Board.
- Meeting with Groundswell and debrief with Woodard & Curran.
- Model update meeting with Woodard & Curran and EKI.
- Review October 2021 monitoring levels with Provost & Pritchard.

### **Task 3: Financial Information Coordination**

- Billing, accounting, and administration.
- Prepared and distributed Agency financial reports and management presentation.
- Developed monthly progress report.
- Developed audit documentation and transmitted to DPVB.
- Correspondence with DPVB on annual audit.
- Correspondence with DWR's K. List regarding grant update.
- Discuss grant application with Woodard & Curran.
- Correspondence with legal regarding change orders.
- Updated Woodard & Curran on Cuyama grant.
- Developed grant presentation outline.
- Coordinate with Woodard & Curran on grant draw and component completion reports.
- Coordinated with legal on Santa Barbara tax information for delinquent payment.

### **Task 4: Cuyama Basin GSA Outreach**

- Correspondence with stakeholder regarding cannabis development.
- Reviewed DWR SGM newsletter.
- Touched base with Woodard & Curran on upcoming DWR workshops.
- Coordinated with Santa Barbara County on Groundswell meeting.
- Participated in DWR workshop regarding an update on SGMA tools.
- Call with stakeholder on potential adjudication impacts.
- Conducted GoToMeeting test with local stakeholder.
- Revised new landowner information sheet.
- Coordination with San Luis Obispo County on new well permits.
- Met with Ventura County regarding GSA coordination issues.
- Touched base with Catalyst Group on Cuyama outreach update.

### **Task 5: Groundwater Extraction Fee Funding Process and Administration**

- *No efforts conducted under this task in October 2021.*

### **Task 6: Support for CBGSA Response to DWR and Public Comments**

- Scheduled ad hoc to review technical response memo.
- Reviewed technical memo with Woodard & Curran.
- Prepared for and attended technical memo ad hoc meeting.
- Review Central Coast water quality information.
- Discussion with Santa Barbara County's M. Scudato regarding water quality information.

- Touched base with Cuyama growers on water quality information.

#### DELIVERABLES AND COMPLETED TASKS

- Facilitated SAC meeting on October 28, 2021.
- Coordinated final technical memo to be submitted to DWR.

#### PLANNED OBJECTIVES FOR NEXT REPORTING PERIOD

- Facilitate bi-weekly CBGSA program management team meetings.
- Submit DWR technical memo to DWR.

#### SIGNIFICANT ISSUES OR CHALLENGES (IF ANY) AND POTENTIAL RESOLUTIONS

- N/A

November 30, 2021

CUYAMA BASIN GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY  
C/O HALLMARK GROUP  
\*\*\*\*\*EMAIL INVOICES\*\*\*\*\*

Invoice No. 1185963  
Client No. 22930  
Matter No. 001  
Billing Attorney: JDH

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## INVOICE SUMMARY

For Professional Services Rendered for the Period Ending: November 18, 2021.

RE: CUYAMA BASIN GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY  
GENERAL BUSINESS

Professional Services	\$ 4,380.50
Costs Advanced	<u>\$ .00</u>
<b>TOTAL THIS INVOICE</b>	<b>\$ 4,380.50</b>
Prior Balance	<u>\$ 698.50</u>
<b>TOTAL BALANCE DUE</b>	<b><u>\$ 5,079.00</u></b>

## KLEIN DENATALE GOLDNER

Invoice No. 1185963

November 30, 2021

**PROFESSIONAL SERVICES**

Date	Init	Description	Hours	Amount
10/19/21	AND	E-MAILED SANTA BARBARA COUNTY ASSESSOR OFFICE REGARDING BILLING OF DELINQUENT FEES; E-MAILED T. BLAKSLEE REGARDING SAME.	.30	69.00
10/21/21	AND	REVIEWED TECHNICAL MEMORANDUM; ATTENDED PRE-MEETING CALL WITH J. BECK, T. BLAKSLEE AND B. VAN LINDEN; ATTENDED DWR COORDINATION AD HOC COMMITTEE MEETING.	2.00	460.00
10/21/21	JDH	TELEPHONE CONFERENCE WITH R. KUHS.	.30	88.50
10/22/21	AND	REVISED MEETING AGENDA; REVISED AB 361 RESOLUTION; REVISED TECHNICAL MEMORANDUM RESOLUTION; E-MAILED J. HUGHES REGARDING SAME; E-MAILED T. BLAKSLEE REGARDING SAME.	1.00	230.00
10/26/21	JDH	CONFERENCE WITH J. BECK, T. BLAKSLEE, AND A. DOMINGUEZ REGARDING BOARD MEETING.	1.30	383.50
10/27/21	AND	REVISED LANGUAGE IN NEW LANDOWNER SHEET; E-MAILED J. HUGHES REGARDING SAME.	.80	184.00
10/28/21	AND	TELEPHONE CALL WITH T. BLAKSLEE REGARDING SAC MEETING; REVIEWED SAC MEETING AGENDA; RESEARCHED STATUS OF ADJUDICATION; ATTENDED SAC MEETING.	3.80	874.00
11/01/21	AND	TELEPHONE CALL WITH T. BLAKSLEE REGARDING PUBLIC COMMENTS TO DWR AND PROTOCOL FOR PUBLIC COMMENT DURING BOARD MEETING.	.20	46.00
11/02/21	JDH	PREPARED FOR BOARD MEETING.	1.50	442.50
11/03/21	JDH	ATTENDED NOVEMBER REGULAR BOARD MEETING.	4.00	1,180.00
11/05/21	AND	E-MAILED T. BLAKSLEE REGARDING AB 361 RESOLUTION AND REVISIONS TO TECHNICAL MEMORANDUM.	.30	69.00
11/10/21	JDH	TELEPHONE CONFERENCE WITH A. DOUD REGARDING WATER DISTRICT ISSUES.	.20	59.00
11/12/21	JDH	CONFERENCE WITH D. YUROSEK, J. BECK, AND T. BLAKSLEE REGARDING ALLOCATION STRATEGY.	1.00	295.00

**TOTAL PROFESSIONAL SERVICES****\$ 4,380.50****SUMMARY OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICES**

Name	Init	Rate	Hours	Total
DOMINGUEZ, ALEX	AND	230.00	8.40	1,932.00
HUGHES, JOSEPH	JDH	295.00	8.30	2,448.50
<b>Total</b>			<b>16.70</b>	<b>\$ 4,380.50</b>

**TOTAL THIS INVOICE****\$ 4,380.50**



## KLEIN DENATALE GOLDNER

Invoice No. 1185963

November 30, 2021

**OUTSTANDING INVOICES**

Invoice No.	Date	Invoice Total	Payments Received	Ending Balance
1184601	10/29/21	698.50	.00	698.50

PRIOR BALANCE \$ 698.50

Balance Due This Invoice \$ 4,380.50

**TOTAL BALANCE DUE \$ 5,079.00**

**AGED ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE**

Current - 30	31 - 60	61 - 90	91 - 120	Over 120	Total
\$ .00	\$ 698.50	\$ .00	\$ .00	\$ .00	\$ 698.50

November 30, 2021

CUYAMA BASIN GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY  
C/O HALLMARK GROUP  
\*\*\*\*\*EMAIL INVOICES\*\*\*\*\*

Invoice No. 1185963  
Client No. 22930  
Matter No. 001  
Billing Attorney: JDH

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**REMITTANCE**

RE: CUYAMA BASIN GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY  
GENERAL BUSINESS

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<b>BALANCE DUE THIS INVOICE</b>	<b>\$ 4,380.50</b>
Prior Balance	<u>\$ 698.50</u>
<b>TOTAL BALANCE DUE</b>	<b><u>\$ 5,079.00</u></b>

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Invoice No. 1185963)

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***Thank you! Your business is greatly appreciated.***

October 29, 2021

CUYAMA BASIN GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY  
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Invoice No. 1184601  
Client No. 22930  
Matter No. 001  
Billing Attorney: JDH

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### INVOICE SUMMARY

For Professional Services Rendered for the Period Ending: October 19, 2021.

RE: CUYAMA BASIN GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY  
GENERAL BUSINESS

Professional Services	\$ 698.50
Costs Advanced	<u>\$ .00</u>
<b>TOTAL THIS INVOICE</b>	<b>\$ 698.50</b>
Prior Balance	<u>\$ 11,273.50</u>
<b>TOTAL BALANCE DUE</b>	<b><u>\$ 11,972.00</u></b>

## KLEIN DENATALE GOLDNER

Invoice No. 1184601

October 29, 2021

**PROFESSIONAL SERVICES**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Init</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Hours</b>	<b>Amount</b>
9/20/21	AND	VIDEOCONFERENCE WITH J. HUGHES, J. BECK, T. BLAKSLEE, B. VAN LIENDEN, AND D. YUROSEK REGARDING DWR CONSULTATION CALL.	.80	N/C
9/30/21	JDH	ATTENDED DWR COMMITTEE MEETING.	1.00	295.00
10/03/21	AND	RESEARCHED TAX COLLECTOR POSTING REGARDING INCLUSION OF DELINQUENT GROUNDWATER EXTRACTION FEES.	.40	92.00
10/08/21	JDH	TELEPHONE CONFERENCE WITH R. KUHS.	.20	59.00
10/12/21	AND	TELEPHONE CALL WITH T. BLAKSLEE REGARDING COMPLIANCE WITH AB 361.	.20	46.00
10/19/21	JDH	CONFERENCE WITH D. YUROSEK, J. BECK, AND T. BLAKSLEE REGARDING AGENDA PREPARATION.	.70	206.50

**TOTAL PROFESSIONAL SERVICES****\$ 698.50****SUMMARY OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICES**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Init</b>	<b>Rate</b>	<b>Hours</b>	<b>Total</b>
DOMINGUEZ, ALEX	AND	230.00	.60	138.00
HUGHES, JOSEPH	JDH	295.00	1.90	560.50
<b>Total</b>			<b>2.50</b>	<b>\$ 698.50</b>

**TOTAL THIS INVOICE****\$ 698.50**

## KLEIN DENATALE GOLDNER

Invoice No. 1184601

October 29, 2021

**OUTSTANDING INVOICES**

Invoice No.	Date	Invoice Total	Payments Received	Ending Balance
1179260	7/30/21	1,771.00	.00	1,771.00
1180680	8/31/21	7,785.50	.00	7,785.50
1182870	9/30/21	1,717.00	.00	1,717.00

PRIOR BALANCE \$ 11,273.50

Balance Due This Invoice \$ 698.50**TOTAL BALANCE DUE** **\$ 11,972.00****AGED ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE**

Current - 30	31 - 60	61 - 90	91 - 120	Over 120	Total
\$ 1,717.00	\$ 7,785.50	\$ 1,771.00	\$ .00	\$ .00	\$ 11,273.50

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## REMITTANCE

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December 10, 2021  
Project No: 0011078.01  
Invoice No: 198156

Project 0011078.01 CUYAMA GSP

Professional Services for the period ending November 26, 2021

Phase 038 FY 21/22 STAKEHOLDER/BOARD ENGAGEMENT

Professional Personnel

	Hours	Rate	Amount	
Planner 3				
Eggleton, Charles	31.75	224.00	7,112.00	
Project Manager 2				
Van Lienden, Brian	23.00	281.00	6,463.00	
Senior Project Assistant				
Hughart, Desiree	.50	136.00	68.00	
Senior Technical Manager				
Sturn, Richard	4.50	298.00	1,341.00	
Totals	59.75		14,984.00	
<b>Labor Total</b>				<b>14,984.00</b>
				<b>Total this Phase \$14,984.00</b>

Phase 039 FY 21/22 OUTREACH

Professional Personnel

	Hours	Rate	Amount	
Graphics Manager				
Fox, Adam	2.50	158.00	395.00	
Project Manager 2				
Van Lienden, Brian	10.00	281.00	2,810.00	
Totals	12.50		3,205.00	
<b>Labor Total</b>				<b>3,205.00</b>

Consultant

Sub - Consultant Miscellaneous				
11/26/2021 THE CATALYST GROUP	Catalyst Group Inv #609		1,561.25	
<b>Consultant Total</b>		<b>1.1 times</b>	<b>1,561.25</b>	<b>1,717.38</b>
				<b>Total this Phase \$4,922.38</b>

Please include our invoice number in your remittance. Thank you.

Project	0011078.01	CUYAMA GSP	Invoice	198156
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Phase 041 FY 21/22 GSP IMPLEMENTATION SUPPORT

#### Professional Personnel

	Hours	Rate	Amount	
Planner 1				
Meyer, Nolan	16.25	171.00	2,778.75	
Planner 2				
Valenzuela, George	21.50	198.00	4,257.00	
Project Manager 2				
Van Lienden, Brian	10.00	281.00	2,810.00	
Senior Technical Practice Leader				
Taghavi, Ali	1.00	324.00	324.00	
Totals	48.75		10,169.75	
<b>Labor Total</b>				<b>10,169.75</b>
				<b>Total this Phase \$10,169.75</b>

Phase 044 FY 21/22 PREPARATION OF GRANT APPLICATIONS

#### Professional Personnel

	Hours	Rate	Amount	
Planner 1				
Meyer, Nolan	10.25	171.00	1,752.75	
Project Manager 2				
Van Lienden, Brian	9.00	281.00	2,529.00	
Totals	19.25		4,281.75	
<b>Labor Total</b>				<b>4,281.75</b>
				<b>Total this Phase \$4,281.75</b>
				<b>Total this Invoice \$34,357.88</b>

#### Outstanding Invoices

Number	Date	Balance
198047	12/8/2021	45,890.40
<b>Total</b>		<b>45,890.40</b>

Project Summary	Current Fee	Previous Fee	Total
	34,357.88	3,169,042.46	3,203,400.34

Approved by:



Brian Van Lienden  
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## Progress Report

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### Cuyama Basin Groundwater Sustainability Plan Development

**Subject:** November 2021 Progress Report

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This progress report summarizes the work performed and project status for the period of October 30, 2021 through November 26, 2021 on the Cuyama Basin Groundwater Sustainability Plan Development project. The work associated with this invoice was performed in accordance with our Consulting Services Agreement dated December 6, 2017, and with Task Order 5, issued by the CBGSA on June 6, 2018, Task Order 6, issued by the CBGSA on August 7, 2019, Task Order 7, issued by the CBGSA on December 4, 2019, and Task order 8, issued by the CBGSA on June 25, 2020. Task Order 8 was amended and Task Order 9 was issued by the CBGSA on May 5, 2021.

The progress report contains the following sections:

1. Work Performed
2. Budget Status
3. Schedule Status
4. Outstanding Issues to be Coordinated

## 1 Work Performed

A summary of work performed on the project during the current reporting period is provided in Tables 1, 2, 3 and 4 below. Table 1 shows work performed under Task Orders 2 and 4, which include tasks identified in the Category 2 grant from the California Department of Water Resources (DWR). Table 2 shows work performed under Task Orders 3 and 5, which includes tasks identified in the Category 1 grant from DWR. Table 3 shows work performed under Task Order 6. Table 4 shows work under Task Order 7. Table 5 shows work under Task Order 8. Table 6 shows work under Task Order 9.

**Table 1: Summary of Task/Deliverables Status for Category 2 Tasks (Task Orders 2 and 4)**

<b>Task</b>	<b>Work Completed During the Reporting Period</b>	<b>Percent Complete</b>	<b>Work Scheduled for Next Period</b>
<b>Task 1: Initiate Work Plan for GSP and Stakeholder Engagement Strategy Development</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 1 is completed; no work was undertaken on this task during this reporting period</li> </ul>	100%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 1 is completed; no further work is anticipated</li> </ul>
<b>Task 2: Data Management System, Data Collection and Analysis, and Plan Review</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 2 is completed; no work was undertaken on this task during this reporting period</li> </ul>	100%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 2 is completed; no further work is anticipated</li> </ul>
<b>Task 3: Description of the Plan Area, Hydrogeologic Conceptual Model, and Groundwater Conditions</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 3 is completed; no work was undertaken on this task during this reporting period</li> </ul>	100%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 3 is completed; no further work is anticipated</li> </ul>
<b>Task 4: Basin Model and Water Budget</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 4 is completed; no work was undertaken on this task during this reporting period</li> </ul>	100%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 4 is completed; no further work is anticipated</li> </ul>
<b>Task 5: Establish Basin Sustainability Criteria</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 5 is completed; no work was undertaken on this task during this reporting period</li> </ul>	100%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 5 is completed; no further work is anticipated</li> </ul>
<b>Task 6. Monitoring Networks</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 6 is completed; no work was undertaken on this task during this reporting period</li> </ul>	100%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 6 is completed; no further work is anticipated</li> </ul>
<b>Task 7: Projects and Actions for Sustainability Goals</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 7 is completed; no work was undertaken on this task during this reporting period</li> </ul>	100%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 7 is completed; no further work is anticipated</li> </ul>
<b>Task 8. GSP Implementation</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 8 is completed; no work was undertaken on this task during this reporting period</li> </ul>	100%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 8 is completed; no further work is anticipated</li> </ul>

Task	Work Completed During the Reporting Period	Percent Complete	Work Scheduled for Next Period
<b>Task 9. GSP Development</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 9 is completed; no work was undertaken on this task during this reporting period</li> </ul>	100%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 9 is completed; no further work is anticipated</li> </ul>
<b>Task 10: Education, Outreach and Communication</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 10 is completed; no work was undertaken on this task during this reporting period</li> </ul>	100%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 10 is completed; no further work is anticipated</li> </ul>
<b>Task 11: Project Management</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 11 is completed; no work was undertaken on this task during this reporting period</li> </ul>	100%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 11 is completed; no further work is anticipated</li> </ul>

Table 2: Summary of Task/Deliverables Status for Category 1 Tasks (Task Orders 3 and 5)

Task	Work Completed During the Reporting Period	Percent Complete	Work Scheduled for Next Period
<b>Task 12: Groundwater Monitoring Well Network Expansion</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 12 is completed. No work was performed on Task 12 during this period.</li> </ul>	100%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 12 is completed; no further work is anticipated</li> </ul>
<b>Task 13: Evapotranspiration Evaluation for Cuyama Basin Region</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 13 is completed. No work was performed on Task 13 during this period.</li> </ul>	100%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 13 is completed; no further work is anticipated</li> </ul>
<b>Task 14: Surface Water Monitoring Program</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 14 is completed. No work was performed on Task 14 during this period.</li> </ul>	100%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 14 is completed; no further work is anticipated</li> </ul>
<b>Task 15: Category 1 Project Management</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 15 is completed. No work was performed on Task 15 during this period.</li> </ul>	100%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 15 is completed; no further work is anticipated</li> </ul>

**Table 3: Summary of Task/Deliverables Status for Task Order 6**

<b>Task</b>	<b>Work Completed During the Reporting Period</b>	<b>Percent Complete</b>	<b>Work Scheduled for Next Period</b>
<b>Task 16: Finalize GSP Development</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 16 is completed; no work was undertaken on this task during this reporting period</li> </ul>	100%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 16 is completed; no further work is anticipated</li> </ul>
<b>Task 17: Stakeholder &amp; Board Engagement</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 17 is completed; no work was undertaken on this task during this reporting period</li> </ul>	100%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 17 is completed; no further work is anticipated.</li> </ul>
<b>Task 18: Outreach Support</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 18 is completed; no work was undertaken on this task during this reporting period</li> </ul>	100%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 18 is completed; no further work is anticipated.</li> </ul>
<b>Task 19: Support for DWR Technical Support Services</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 19 is completed; no work was undertaken on this task during this reporting period</li> </ul>	100%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 19 is completed; no further work is anticipated.</li> </ul>
<b>Task 20: Prepare SGM Planning Grant Application</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 20 is completed; no work was undertaken on this task during this reporting period</li> </ul>	100%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 20 is completed; no further work is anticipated</li> </ul>
<b>Task 21: Development of a CBGSA Fee Structure</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 21 is completed; no work was undertaken on this task during this reporting period</li> </ul>	100%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 21 is completed; no further work is anticipated</li> </ul>

**Table 4: Summary of Task/Deliverables Status for Task Order 7**

<b>Task</b>	<b>Work Completed During the Reporting Period</b>	<b>Percent Complete</b>	<b>Work Scheduled for Next Period</b>
<b>Task 22: Stakeholder &amp; Board Engagement</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 22 is completed. No work was performed on Task 22 during this period.</li> </ul>	100%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 22 is completed; no further work is anticipated.</li> </ul>
<b>Task 23: Outreach Support</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 23 is completed. No work was performed on Task 23 during this period.</li> </ul>	100%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 23 is completed; no further work is anticipated.</li> </ul>

Task	Work Completed During the Reporting Period	Percent Complete	Work Scheduled for Next Period
<b>Task 24: Support for DWR Technical Support Services</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 24 is completed. No work was performed on Task 24 during this period.</li> </ul>	100%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 24 is completed; no further work is anticipated.</li> </ul>
<b>Task 25: Cuyama Basin GSP Implementation Support</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 25 is completed. No work was performed on Task 25 during this period.</li> </ul>	100%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 25 is completed; no further work is anticipated.</li> </ul>
<b>Task 26: Development of Management Area Policies and Guidelines</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 26 is completed. No work was performed on Task 26 during this period.</li> </ul>	100%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 26 is completed; no further work is anticipated.</li> </ul>
<b>Task 27: Support for Determining a Funding Mechanism for FY 20-21</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 27 is completed. No work was performed on Task 27 during this period.</li> </ul>	100%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 27 is completed; no further work is anticipated.</li> </ul>

Table 5: Summary of Task/Deliverables Status for Task Order 8

Task	Work Completed During the Reporting Period	Percent Complete	Work Scheduled for Next Period
<b>Task 28: FY21 Stakeholder &amp; Board Engagement</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No work was performed on Task 28 during this period</li> </ul>	100%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 28 is completed; no further work is anticipated</li> </ul>
<b>Task 29: FY21 Outreach Support</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No work was performed on Task 29 during this period</li> </ul>	100%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 29 is completed; no further work is anticipated</li> </ul>
<b>Task 30: FY21 Support for DWR Technical Support Services</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No work was performed on Task 30 during this period</li> </ul>	100%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 30 is completed; no further work is anticipated</li> </ul>

Task	Work Completed During the Reporting Period	Percent Complete	Work Scheduled for Next Period
<b>Task 31: FY21 Cuyama Basin GSP Implementation Support</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No work was performed on Task 31 during this period</li> </ul>	100%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 31 is completed; no further work is anticipated</li> </ul>
<b>Task 32: FY21 Development of Management Area Administration</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No work was performed on Task 32 during this period</li> </ul>	100%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 32 is completed; no further work is anticipated</li> </ul>
<b>Task 33: FY21 Support for Determining a Funding Mechanism</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No work was performed on Task 33 during this period</li> </ul>	100%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 33 is completed; no further work is anticipated</li> </ul>
<b>Task 34: FY21 DWR Grant Agreement Administration</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No work was performed on Task 34 during this period</li> </ul>	100%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 34 is completed; no further work is anticipated</li> </ul>
<b>Task 35: FY21 Preparation of Grant Application</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No work was performed on Task 35 during this period</li> </ul>	100%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 35 is completed; no further work is anticipated</li> </ul>
<b>Task 36: FY21 Indirect and Induced Economic Impacts Analysis</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No work was performed on Task 36 during this period</li> </ul>	100%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 36 is completed; no further work is anticipated</li> </ul>
<b>Task 37: FY21 Develop Strategy for Update/ Refinement of Cuyama Basin GW Model</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No work was performed on Task 37 during this period</li> </ul>	100%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 37 is completed; no further work is anticipated</li> </ul>

**Table 6: Summary of Task/Deliverables Status for Task Order 9**

<b>Task</b>	<b>Work Completed During the Reporting Period</b>	<b>Percent Complete</b>	<b>Work Scheduled for Next Period</b>
<b>Task 38: FY22 Stakeholder &amp; Board Engagement</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Prepare for and participate in ad-hoc calls</li> <li>• Prepare for and participate in November 3 Board meeting</li> </ul>	35%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Participation in future ad-hoc calls</li> <li>• Preparation for and participation in future CBGSA Board and SAC meetings</li> </ul>
<b>Task 39: FY22 Outreach Support</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ongoing stakeholder outreach activities related to GSP implementation</li> </ul>	40%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ongoing stakeholder outreach activities related to GSP implementation</li> </ul>
<b>Task 40: FY22 Support for DWR Technical Support Services</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No work was performed on Task 40 during this period</li> </ul>	25%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continued support for TSS program</li> <li>• Continued support for AEM survey</li> </ul>
<b>Task 41: FY22 Cuyama Basin GSP Implementation Support</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Monitoring implementation support and development of monitoring reporting documentation</li> <li>• DMS updates and data integration</li> <li>• Perform analysis for adaptive management program</li> <li>• Update final draft tech memo for response to DWR comment letter on the GSP in response to Board comments</li> </ul>	55%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continued monitoring implementation, DMS, DWR comment response and metering support</li> <li>• Continued adaptive management support</li> </ul>
<b>Task 42: FY22 Cuyama Basin Model Refinement</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No work was performed on Task 42 during this period</li> </ul>	2%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Perform data extension through WY 2021</li> </ul>
<b>Task 43: FY22 Perform Aquifer Testing</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No work was performed on Task 43 during this period</li> </ul>	0%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Identify locations for aquifer testing and monitoring</li> </ul>
<b>Task 44: FY22 Preparation of Grant Applications</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No work was performed on Task 44 during this period</li> </ul>	6%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Begin work on grant applications as directed by the CBGSA Board</li> </ul>

## 2 Budget Status

Table 7 shows the percent spent for each task under Task Order 1. 100% of the available Task Order 1 budget has been expended (\$321,135.00 out of \$321,135).

**Table 7: Budget Status for Task Order 1**

Task	Total Budget	Spent Previously	Spent this Period	Total Spent to Date	Budget Remaining	% Spent to Date
1	\$ 35,768.00	\$ 35,755.53	\$ -	\$ 35,755.53	\$ 12.47	100%
2	\$ 61,413.00	\$ 61,413.00	\$ -	\$ 61,413.00	\$ -	100%
3	\$ 45,766.00	\$ 45,766.00	\$ -	\$ 45,766.00	\$ -	100%
4	\$ 110,724.00	\$ 110,724.00	\$ -	\$ 110,724.00	\$ -	100%
5	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	n/a
6	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	n/a
7	\$ 12,120.00	\$ 12,120.00	\$ -	\$ 12,120.00	\$ -	100%
8	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	n/a
9	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	n/a
10	\$ 45,420.00	\$ 45,432.47	\$ -	\$ 45,432.47	\$ (12.47)	100%
11	\$ 9,924.00	\$ 9,924.00	\$ -	\$ 9,924.00	\$ -	100%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 321,135.00</b>	<b>\$ 321,135.00</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 321,135.00</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>100%</b>

Table 8 shows the percent spent for each task under Task Order 2. 100% of the available Task Order 2 budget has been expended (\$399,469.00 out of \$399,469).



**Table 8: Budget Status for Task Order 2**

Task	Total Budget	Spent Previously	Spent this Period	Total Spent to Date	Budget Remaining	% Spent to Date
1	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	n/a
2	\$ 48,457.00	\$ 48,458.00	\$ -	\$ 48,458.00	\$ (1.00)	100%
3	\$ 24,182.00	\$ 24,182.00	\$ -	\$ 24,182.00	\$ -	100%
4	\$ 103,880.00	\$ 103,880.00	\$ -	\$ 103,880.00	\$ -	100%
5	\$ 60,676.00	\$ 60,676.00	\$ -	\$ 60,676.00	\$ -	100%
6	\$ 65,256.00	\$ 65,255.00	\$ -	\$ 65,255.00	\$ 1.00	100%
7	\$ 36,402.00	\$ 36,402.00	\$ -	\$ 36,402.00	\$ -	100%
8	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	n/a
9	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	n/a
10	\$ 45,420.00	\$ 45,420.00	\$ -	\$ 45,420.00	\$ -	100%
11	\$ 15,196.00	\$ 15,196.00	\$ -	\$ 15,196.00	\$ -	100%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 399,469.00</b>	<b>\$ 399,469.00</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 399,469.00</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>100%</b>

Table 9 shows the percent spent for each task under Task Order 3. 100% of the available Task Order 3 budget has been expended (\$188,238.00 out of \$188,238).

**Table 9: Budget Status for Task Order 3**

Task	Total Budget	Spent Previously	Spent this Period	Total Spent to Date	Budget Remaining	% Spent to Date
12	\$ 53,244.00	\$ 53,244.00	\$ -	\$ 53,244.00	\$ -	100%
13	\$ 69,706.00	\$ 69,706.00	\$ -	\$ 69,706.00	\$ -	100%
14	\$ 53,342.00	\$ 53,342.00	\$ -	\$ 53,342.00	\$ -	100%
15	\$ 11,946.00	\$ 11,946.00	\$ -	\$ 11,946.00	\$ -	100%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 188,238.00</b>	<b>\$ 188,238.00</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 188,238.00</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>100%</b>

Table 10 shows the percent spent for each task under Task Order 4. 100% of the available Task Order 4 budget has been expended (\$764,394.14 out of \$764,396).

**Table 10: Budget Status for Task Order 4**

Task	Total Budget	Spent Previously	Amount Invoiced This Month	Total Spent to Date	Budget Remaining	% Spent to Date
1	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	n/a
2	\$ 24,780.00	\$ 24,793.50	\$ -	\$ 24,793.50	\$ (13.50)	100%
3	\$ 26,912.00	\$ 26,894.00	\$ -	\$ 26,894.00	\$ 18.00	100%
4	\$ 280,196.00	\$ 280,190.26	\$ -	\$ 280,190.26	\$ 5.74	100%
5	\$ 47,698.00	\$ 47,641.88	\$ -	\$ 47,641.88	\$ 56.12	100%
6	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	n/a
7	\$ 117,010.00	\$ 117,009.20	\$ -	\$ 117,009.20	\$ 0.80	100%
8	\$ 69,780.00	\$ 69,831.25	\$ -	\$ 69,831.25	\$ (51.25)	100%
9	\$ 91,132.00	\$ 91,567.49	\$ -	\$ 91,567.49	\$ (435.49)	100%
10	\$ 70,236.00	\$ 69,766.10	\$ -	\$ 69,766.10	\$ 469.90	100%
11	\$ 36,652.00	\$ 36,700.46	\$ -	\$ 36,700.46	\$ (48.46)	100%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 764,396.00</b>	<b>\$ 764,394.14</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 764,394.14</b>	<b>\$ 1.86</b>	<b>100%</b>

Table 11 shows the percent spent for each task under Task Order 5 as of October 29, 2021. 92% of the available Task Order 5 budget has been expended (\$422,987.57 out of \$459,886). Work on Task Order 5 is completed.

**Table 11: Budget Status for Task Order 5**

Task	Total Budget	Spent Previously	Spent this Period	Total Spent to Date	Budget Remaining	% Spent to Date
12	\$196,208.00	\$195,786.23	\$0.00	\$195,786.23	\$421.77	100%
13	\$24,950.00	\$24,933.01	\$0.00	\$24,933.01	\$16.99	100%
14	\$204,906.00	\$169,276.78	\$0.00	\$169,276.78	\$35,629.22	83%
15	\$33,822.00	\$32,991.55	\$0.00	\$32,991.55	\$830.45	98%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$459,886.00</b>	<b>\$422,987.57</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$422,987.57</b>	<b>\$36,898.43</b>	<b>92%</b>

Table 12 shows the percent spent for each task under Task Order 6. 96% of the available Task Order 6 budget has been expended (\$344,372.37 out of \$357,405). Work on Task Order 6 is completed.

**Table 12: Budget Status for Task Order 6**

Task	Total Budget	Spent Previously	Spent this Period	Total Spent to Date	Budget Remaining	% Spent to Date
16	\$195,658.00	\$195,630.29	\$0.00	\$195,630.29	\$27.71	100%
17	\$57,406.00	\$57,379.17	\$0.00	\$57,379.17	\$26.83	100%
18	\$12,901.00	\$12,929.91	\$0.00	\$12,929.91	(\$28.91)	100%
19	\$18,848.00	\$18,835.50	\$0.00	\$18,835.50	\$12.50	100%
20	\$40,032.00	\$40,007.00	\$0.00	\$40,007.00	\$25.00	100%
21	\$32,560.00	\$19,590.50	\$0.00	\$19,590.50	\$12,969.50	60%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$357,405.00</b>	<b>\$344,372.37</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$344,372.37</b>	<b>\$13,032.63</b>	<b>96%</b>

Table 13 shows the percent spent for each task under Task Order 7. 59% of the available Task Order 7 budget has been expended (\$160,318.09 out of \$273,655.00). Work on Task Order 7 is completed.

**Table 13: Budget Status for Task Order 7**

Task	Total Budget	Spent Previously	Spent this Period	Total Spent to Date	Budget Remaining	% Spent to Date
22	\$29,262.00	\$8,736.00	\$0.00	\$8,736.00	\$20,526.00	30%
23	\$12,901.00	\$7,571.88	\$0.00	\$7,571.88	\$5,329.12	59%
24	\$18,848.00	\$15,301.46	\$0.00	\$15,301.46	\$3,546.54	81%
25	\$160,028.00	\$120,728.75	\$0.00	\$120,728.75	\$39,299.25	75%
26	\$49,608.00	\$4,977.00	\$0.00	\$4,977.00	\$44,631.00	10%
27	\$3,008.00	\$3,003.00	\$0.00	\$3,003.00	\$5.00	100%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$273,655.00</b>	<b>\$160,318.09</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$160,318.09</b>	<b>\$113,336.91</b>	<b>59%</b>

Table 14 shows the percent spent for each task under Task Order 8. 66% of the available Task Order 8 budget has been expended (\$451,683.31 out of \$683,291.00). Task Order 8 is completed.

Table 14: Budget Status for Task Order 8

Task	Total Budget	Spent Previously	Spent this Period	Total Spent to Date	Budget Remaining	% Spent to Date
28	\$90,052.00	\$47,073.72	\$0.00	\$47,073.72	\$42,978.28	52%
29	\$18,057.00	\$15,064.92	\$0.00	\$15,064.92	\$2,992.08	83%
30	\$32,192.00	\$9,468.00	\$0.00	\$9,468.00	\$22,724.00	29%
31	\$273,926.00	\$170,469.50	\$0.00	\$170,469.50	\$103,456.50	62%
32	\$22,584.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$22,584.00	0%
33	\$25,076.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$25,076.00	0%
34	\$50,020.00	\$50,025.79	\$0.00	\$50,025.79	(\$5.79)	100%
35	\$40,400.00	\$40,294.75	\$0.00	\$40,294.75	\$105.25	100%
36	\$90,000.00	\$89,982.13	\$0.00	\$89,982.13	\$17.87	100%
37	\$40,984.00	\$29,304.50	\$0.00	\$29,304.50	\$11,679.50	72%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$683,291.00</b>	<b>\$451,683.31</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$451,683.31</b>	<b>\$231,607.69</b>	<b>66%</b>

Table 15 shows the percent spent for each task under Task Order 9 as of November 26, 2021. 22% of the available Task Order 9 budget has been expended (\$150,802.49 out of \$674,308.00).

Table 15: Budget Status for Task Order 9

Task	Total Budget	Spent Previously	Spent this Period	Total Spent to Date	Budget Remaining	% Spent to Date
38	\$108,084.00	\$21,587.48	\$14,984.00	\$36,571.48	\$71,512.52	34%
39	\$15,089.00	\$1,525.50	\$4,922.38	\$6,447.88	\$8,641.12	43%
40	\$16,520.00	\$3,573.50	\$0.00	\$3,573.50	\$12,946.50	22%
41	\$173,683.00	\$85,220.50	\$10,169.38	\$95,389.88	\$78,293.12	55%
42	\$179,120.00	\$4,257.00	\$0.00	\$4,257.00	\$174,863.00	2%
43	\$101,556.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$101,556.00	0%
44	\$80,256.00	\$281.00	\$4,281.75	\$4,562.75	\$75,693.25	6%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$674,308.00</b>	<b>\$116,444.98</b>	<b>\$34,357.51</b>	<b>\$150,802.49</b>	<b>\$523,505.51</b>	<b>22%</b>

### 3 Schedule Status

The project is on schedule. Work authorized under Task Orders 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, and 7 are complete.

### 4 Outstanding Issues to be Coordinated

None



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Project 0011078.01 CUYAMA GSP

**Professional Services for the period ending October 29, 2021**

Phase 014 Surface Water Monitoring Program (Cat 1 – Task 3)

**Professional Personnel**

	Hours	Rate	Amount	
Software Engineer 1				
Rutaganira, Thierry	11.00	156.00	1,716.00	
Totals	11.00		1,716.00	
<b>Labor Total</b>				<b>1,716.00</b>
				<b>Total this Phase</b>
				<b>\$1,716.00</b>

Phase 015 Project Management (Cat 1 – Task 4)

**Professional Personnel**

	Hours	Rate	Amount	
Project Assistant				
O'Dell, Debora	.25	116.00	29.00	
Totals	.25		29.00	
<b>Labor Total</b>				<b>29.00</b>
				<b>Total this Phase</b>
				<b>\$29.00</b>

Phase 034 FY 20/21 DWR Grant Agreement Administration

**Professional Personnel**

	Hours	Rate	Amount	
Planner 1				
Meyer, Nolan	11.00	171.00	1,881.00	
Project Manager 2				
Van Lienden, Brian	3.00	281.00	843.00	
Totals	14.00		2,724.00	
<b>Labor Total</b>				<b>2,724.00</b>
				<b>Total this Phase</b>
				<b>\$2,724.00</b>

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Phase 038 FY 21/22 STAKEHOLDER/BOARD ENGAGEMENT

**Professional Personnel**

	Hours	Rate	Amount	
Software Engineer 1 Aquino, Justin	1.40	156.00	218.40	
Project Manager 2 Van Lienden, Brian	25.00	281.00	7,025.00	
Senior Project Assistant Hughart, Desiree	1.50	136.00	204.00	
Senior Project Manager Long, Jeanna	.50	298.00	149.00	
Senior Technical Manager Sturn, Richard	7.00	298.00	2,086.00	
Senior Technical Practice Leader Taghavi, Ali	2.00	324.00	648.00	
Totals	37.40		10,330.40	
<b>Labor Total</b>				<b>10,330.40</b>
			<b>Total this Phase</b>	<b>\$10,330.40</b>

Phase 039 FY 21/22 OUTREACH

**Professional Personnel**

	Hours	Rate	Amount	
Graphics Manager Fox, Adam	1.50	158.00	237.00	
Project Manager 2 Van Lienden, Brian	4.00	281.00	1,124.00	
Totals	5.50		1,361.00	
<b>Labor Total</b>				<b>1,361.00</b>
			<b>Total this Phase</b>	<b>\$1,361.00</b>

Phase 040 FY 21/ 22 SUPPORT FOR DWR TECHNICAL SUPP

**Professional Personnel**

	Hours	Rate	Amount	
Project Manager 2 Van Lienden, Brian	7.00	281.00	1,967.00	
Totals	7.00		1,967.00	
<b>Labor Total</b>				<b>1,967.00</b>
			<b>Total this Phase</b>	<b>\$1,967.00</b>

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Phase	041	FY 21/22 GSP IMPLEMENTATION SUPPORT
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**Professional Personnel**

	Hours	Rate	Amount	
Planner 1				
Meyer, Nolan	14.50	171.00	2,479.50	
Planner 3				
Eggleton, Charles	61.25	224.00	13,720.00	
Project Manager 2				
Van Lienden, Brian	27.50	281.00	7,727.50	
Totals	103.25		23,927.00	
<b>Labor Total</b>				<b>23,927.00</b>
				<b>Total this Phase</b>
				<b>\$23,927.00</b>

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Phase	042	FY 21/22 CUYAMA BASIN MODEL REFINEMENT
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**Professional Personnel**

	Hours	Rate	Amount	
Engineer 2				
Poore, Sebastien	8.50	198.00	1,683.00	
Project Engineer 1				
Ceyhan, Mahmut	8.00	234.00	1,872.00	
Totals	16.50		3,555.00	
<b>Labor Total</b>				<b>3,555.00</b>
				<b>Total this Phase</b>
				<b>\$3,555.00</b>

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Phase	044	FY 21/22 PREPARATION OF GRANT APPLICATIONS
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**Professional Personnel**

	Hours	Rate	Amount	
Project Manager 2				
Van Lienden, Brian	1.00	281.00	281.00	
Totals	1.00		281.00	
<b>Labor Total</b>				<b>281.00</b>
				<b>Total this Phase</b>
				<b>\$281.00</b>
				<b>Total this Invoice</b>
				<b>\$45,890.40</b>

Project Summary	Current Fee	Previous Fee	Total
	45,890.40	3,123,152.06	3,169,042.46

Approved by:



Brian Van Lienden  
Project Manager  
Woodard & Curran



## Progress Report

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### Cuyama Basin Groundwater Sustainability Plan Development

**Subject:** October 2021 Progress Report

Jim Beck, Executive Director,

**Prepared for:** Cuyama Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency (CBGSA)

**Prepared by:** Micah Eggleton, Woodard & Curran

**Reviewed by:** Brian Van Lienden, Woodard & Curran

**Date:** December 6, 2021

**Project No.:** 0011078.01

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This progress report summarizes the work performed and project status for the period of September 25, 2021 through October 29, 2021 on the Cuyama Basin Groundwater Sustainability Plan Development project. The work associated with this invoice was performed in accordance with our Consulting Services Agreement dated December 6, 2017, and with Task Order 5, issued by the CBGSA on June 6, 2018, Task Order 6, issued by the CBGSA on August 7, 2019, Task Order 7, issued by the CBGSA on December 4, 2019, and Task order 8, issued by the CBGSA on June 25, 2020. Task Order 8 was amended and Task Order 9 was issued by the CBGSA on May 5, 2021.

The progress report contains the following sections:

1. Work Performed
2. Budget Status
3. Schedule Status
4. Outstanding Issues to be Coordinated

## 1 Work Performed

A summary of work performed on the project during the current reporting period is provided in Tables 1, 2, 3 and 4 below. Table 1 shows work performed under Task Orders 2 and 4, which include tasks identified in the Category 2 grant from the California Department of Water Resources (DWR). Table 2 shows work performed under Task Orders 3 and 5, which includes tasks identified in the Category 1 grant from DWR. Table 3 shows work performed under Task Order 6. Table 4 shows work under Task Order 7. Table 5 shows work under Task Order 8. Table 6 shows work under Task Order 9.



**Table 1: Summary of Task/Deliverables Status for Category 2 Tasks (Task Orders 2 and 4)**

<b>Task</b>	<b>Work Completed During the Reporting Period</b>	<b>Percent Complete</b>	<b>Work Scheduled for Next Period</b>
<b>Task 1: Initiate Work Plan for GSP and Stakeholder Engagement Strategy Development</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 1 is completed; no work was undertaken on this task during this reporting period</li> </ul>	100%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 1 is completed; no further work is anticipated</li> </ul>
<b>Task 2: Data Management System, Data Collection and Analysis, and Plan Review</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 2 is completed; no work was undertaken on this task during this reporting period</li> </ul>	100%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 2 is completed; no further work is anticipated</li> </ul>
<b>Task 3: Description of the Plan Area, Hydrogeologic Conceptual Model, and Groundwater Conditions</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 3 is completed; no work was undertaken on this task during this reporting period</li> </ul>	100%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 3 is completed; no further work is anticipated</li> </ul>
<b>Task 4: Basin Model and Water Budget</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 4 is completed; no work was undertaken on this task during this reporting period</li> </ul>	100%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 4 is completed; no further work is anticipated</li> </ul>
<b>Task 5: Establish Basin Sustainability Criteria</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 5 is completed; no work was undertaken on this task during this reporting period</li> </ul>	100%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 5 is completed; no further work is anticipated</li> </ul>
<b>Task 6. Monitoring Networks</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 6 is completed; no work was undertaken on this task during this reporting period</li> </ul>	100%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 6 is completed; no further work is anticipated</li> </ul>
<b>Task 7: Projects and Actions for Sustainability Goals</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 7 is completed; no work was undertaken on this task during this reporting period</li> </ul>	100%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 7 is completed; no further work is anticipated</li> </ul>
<b>Task 8. GSP Implementation</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 8 is completed; no work was undertaken on this task during this reporting period</li> </ul>	100%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 8 is completed; no further work is anticipated</li> </ul>

Task	Work Completed During the Reporting Period	Percent Complete	Work Scheduled for Next Period
<b>Task 9. GSP Development</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 9 is completed; no work was undertaken on this task during this reporting period</li> </ul>	100%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 9 is completed; no further work is anticipated</li> </ul>
<b>Task 10: Education, Outreach and Communication</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 10 is completed; no work was undertaken on this task during this reporting period</li> </ul>	100%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 10 is completed; no further work is anticipated</li> </ul>
<b>Task 11: Project Management</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 11 is completed; no work was undertaken on this task during this reporting period</li> </ul>	100%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 11 is completed; no further work is anticipated</li> </ul>

Table 2: Summary of Task/Deliverables Status for Category 1 Tasks (Task Orders 3 and 5)

Task	Work Completed During the Reporting Period	Percent Complete	Work Scheduled for Next Period
<b>Task 12: Groundwater Monitoring Well Network Expansion</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 12 is completed. No work was performed on Task 12 during this period.</li> </ul>	100%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 12 is completed; no further work is anticipated</li> </ul>
<b>Task 13: Evapotranspiration Evaluation for Cuyama Basin Region</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 13 is completed. No work was performed on Task 13 during this period.</li> </ul>	100%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 13 is completed; no further work is anticipated</li> </ul>
<b>Task 14: Surface Water Monitoring Program</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Prepared final documentation required by DWR grant</li> </ul>	100%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 14 is completed; no further work is anticipated</li> </ul>
<b>Task 15: Category 1 Project Management</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Prepared final documentation required by DWR grant</li> </ul>	100%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 15 is completed; no further work is anticipated</li> </ul>

**Table 3: Summary of Task/Deliverables Status for Task Order 6**

<b>Task</b>	<b>Work Completed During the Reporting Period</b>	<b>Percent Complete</b>	<b>Work Scheduled for Next Period</b>
<b>Task 16: Finalize GSP Development</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 16 is completed; no work was undertaken on this task during this reporting period</li> </ul>	100%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 16 is completed; no further work is anticipated</li> </ul>
<b>Task 17: Stakeholder &amp; Board Engagement</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 17 is completed; no work was undertaken on this task during this reporting period</li> </ul>	100%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 17 is completed; no further work is anticipated.</li> </ul>
<b>Task 18: Outreach Support</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 18 is completed; no work was undertaken on this task during this reporting period</li> </ul>	100%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 18 is completed; no further work is anticipated.</li> </ul>
<b>Task 19: Support for DWR Technical Support Services</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 19 is completed; no work was undertaken on this task during this reporting period</li> </ul>	100%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 19 is completed; no further work is anticipated.</li> </ul>
<b>Task 20: Prepare SGM Planning Grant Application</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 20 is completed; no work was undertaken on this task during this reporting period</li> </ul>	100%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 20 is completed; no further work is anticipated</li> </ul>
<b>Task 21: Development of a CBGSA Fee Structure</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 21 is completed; no work was undertaken on this task during this reporting period</li> </ul>	100%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 21 is completed; no further work is anticipated</li> </ul>

**Table 4: Summary of Task/Deliverables Status for Task Order 7**

<b>Task</b>	<b>Work Completed During the Reporting Period</b>	<b>Percent Complete</b>	<b>Work Scheduled for Next Period</b>
<b>Task 22: Stakeholder &amp; Board Engagement</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 22 is completed. No work was performed on Task 22 during this period.</li> </ul>	100%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 22 is completed; no further work is anticipated.</li> </ul>
<b>Task 23: Outreach Support</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 23 is completed. No work was performed on Task 23 during this period.</li> </ul>	100%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 23 is completed; no further work is anticipated.</li> </ul>

Task	Work Completed During the Reporting Period	Percent Complete	Work Scheduled for Next Period
<b>Task 24: Support for DWR Technical Support Services</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 24 is completed. No work was performed on Task 24 during this period.</li> </ul>	100%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 24 is completed; no further work is anticipated.</li> </ul>
<b>Task 25: Cuyama Basin GSP Implementation Support</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 25 is completed. No work was performed on Task 25 during this period.</li> </ul>	100%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 25 is completed; no further work is anticipated.</li> </ul>
<b>Task 26: Development of Management Area Policies and Guidelines</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 26 is completed. No work was performed on Task 26 during this period.</li> </ul>	100%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 26 is completed; no further work is anticipated.</li> </ul>
<b>Task 27: Support for Determining a Funding Mechanism for FY 20-21</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 27 is completed. No work was performed on Task 27 during this period.</li> </ul>	100%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 27 is completed; no further work is anticipated.</li> </ul>

**Table 5: Summary of Task/Deliverables Status for Task Order 8**

Task	Work Completed During the Reporting Period	Percent Complete	Work Scheduled for Next Period
<b>Task 28: FY21 Stakeholder &amp; Board Engagement</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No work was performed on Task 28 during this period</li> </ul>	100%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 28 is completed; no further work is anticipated</li> </ul>
<b>Task 29: FY21 Outreach Support</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No work was performed on Task 29 during this period</li> </ul>	100%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 29 is completed; no further work is anticipated</li> </ul>
<b>Task 30: FY21 Support for DWR Technical Support Services</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No work was performed on Task 30 during this period</li> </ul>	100%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 30 is completed; no further work is anticipated</li> </ul>

Task	Work Completed During the Reporting Period	Percent Complete	Work Scheduled for Next Period
<b>Task 31: FY21 Cuyama Basin GSP Implementation Support</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No work was performed on Task 31 during this period</li> </ul>	100%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 31 is completed; no further work is anticipated</li> </ul>
<b>Task 32: FY21 Development of Management Area Administration</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No work was performed on Task 32 during this period</li> </ul>	100%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 32 is completed; no further work is anticipated</li> </ul>
<b>Task 33: FY21 Support for Determining a Funding Mechanism</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No work was performed on Task 33 during this period</li> </ul>	100%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 33 is completed; no further work is anticipated</li> </ul>
<b>Task 34: FY21 DWR Grant Agreement Administration</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Prepared final documentation required by DWR grant</li> </ul>	100%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 34 is completed; no further work is anticipated</li> </ul>
<b>Task 35: FY21 Preparation of Grant Application</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No work was performed on Task 35 during this period</li> </ul>	100%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 35 is completed; no further work is anticipated</li> </ul>
<b>Task 36: FY21 Indirect and Induced Economic Impacts Analysis</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No work was performed on Task 36 during this period</li> </ul>	100%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 36 is completed; no further work is anticipated</li> </ul>
<b>Task 37: FY21 Develop Strategy for Update/Refinement of Cuyama Basin GW Model</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No work was performed on Task 37 during this period</li> </ul>	100%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Task 37 is completed; no further work is anticipated</li> </ul>

**Table 6: Summary of Task/Deliverables Status for Task Order 9**

<b>Task</b>	<b>Work Completed During the Reporting Period</b>	<b>Percent Complete</b>	<b>Work Scheduled for Next Period</b>
<b>Task 38: FY22 Stakeholder &amp; Board Engagement</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Prepare for and participate in ad-hoc calls</li> <li>• Prepare materials for November Board meeting</li> <li>• Prepare for and participate in October 28 SAC meeting</li> </ul>	25%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Participation in future ad-hoc calls</li> <li>• Preparation for and participation in future CBGSA Board and SAC meetings</li> </ul>
<b>Task 39: FY22 Outreach Support</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ongoing stakeholder outreach activities related to GSP implementation</li> </ul>	15%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ongoing stakeholder outreach activities related to GSP implementation</li> </ul>
<b>Task 40: FY22 Support for DWR Technical Support Services</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Coordination and technical input with DWR related to AEM survey and DSS data</li> </ul>	25%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continued support for TSS program</li> <li>• Continued support for AEM survey</li> </ul>
<b>Task 41: FY22 Cuyama Basin GSP Implementation Support</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Monitoring implementation support and development of monitoring reporting documentation</li> <li>• DMS updates and data integration</li> <li>• Perform analysis for adaptive management program</li> <li>• Perform technical analyses and prepare final draft tech memo for response to DWR comment letter on the GSP</li> </ul>	50%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continued monitoring implementation, DMS, DWR comment response and metering support</li> <li>• Continued adaptive management support</li> <li>• Finalize tech memo of CBGSA response to DWR comment letter in response to Board comments</li> </ul>
<b>Task 42: FY22 Cuyama Basin Model Refinement</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Performed QA/QC of model performance in Northwestern region</li> </ul>	2%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Perform data extension through WY 2021</li> </ul>
<b>Task 43: FY22 Perform Aquifer Testing</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No work was performed on Task 43 during this period</li> </ul>	0%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Identify locations for aquifer testing and monitoring</li> </ul>
<b>Task 44: FY22 Preparation of Grant Applications</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No work was performed on Task 44 during this period</li> </ul>	0%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Begin work on grant applications as directed by the CBGSA Board</li> </ul>

## 2 Budget Status

Table 7 shows the percent spent for each task under Task Order 1. 100% of the available Task Order 1 budget has been expended (\$321,135.00 out of \$321,135).

**Table 7: Budget Status for Task Order 1**

Task	Total Budget	Spent Previously	Spent this Period	Total Spent to Date	Budget Remaining	% Spent to Date
1	\$ 35,768.00	\$ 35,755.53	\$ -	\$ 35,755.53	\$ 12.47	100%
2	\$ 61,413.00	\$ 61,413.00	\$ -	\$ 61,413.00	\$ -	100%
3	\$ 45,766.00	\$ 45,766.00	\$ -	\$ 45,766.00	\$ -	100%
4	\$ 110,724.00	\$ 110,724.00	\$ -	\$ 110,724.00	\$ -	100%
5	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	n/a
6	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	n/a
7	\$ 12,120.00	\$ 12,120.00	\$ -	\$ 12,120.00	\$ -	100%
8	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	n/a
9	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	n/a
10	\$ 45,420.00	\$ 45,432.47	\$ -	\$ 45,432.47	\$ (12.47)	100%
11	\$ 9,924.00	\$ 9,924.00	\$ -	\$ 9,924.00	\$ -	100%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 321,135.00</b>	<b>\$ 321,135.00</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 321,135.00</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>100%</b>

Table 8 shows the percent spent for each task under Task Order 2. 100% of the available Task Order 2 budget has been expended (\$399,469.00 out of \$399,469).

Table 8: Budget Status for Task Order 2

Task	Total Budget	Spent Previously	Spent this Period	Total Spent to Date	Budget Remaining	% Spent to Date
1	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	n/a
2	\$ 48,457.00	\$ 48,458.00	\$ -	\$ 48,458.00	\$ (1.00)	100%
3	\$ 24,182.00	\$ 24,182.00	\$ -	\$ 24,182.00	\$ -	100%
4	\$ 103,880.00	\$ 103,880.00	\$ -	\$ 103,880.00	\$ -	100%
5	\$ 60,676.00	\$ 60,676.00	\$ -	\$ 60,676.00	\$ -	100%
6	\$ 65,256.00	\$ 65,255.00	\$ -	\$ 65,255.00	\$ 1.00	100%
7	\$ 36,402.00	\$ 36,402.00	\$ -	\$ 36,402.00	\$ -	100%
8	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	n/a
9	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	n/a
10	\$ 45,420.00	\$ 45,420.00	\$ -	\$ 45,420.00	\$ -	100%
11	\$ 15,196.00	\$ 15,196.00	\$ -	\$ 15,196.00	\$ -	100%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 399,469.00</b>	<b>\$ 399,469.00</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 399,469.00</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>100%</b>

Table 9 shows the percent spent for each task under Task Order 3. 100% of the available Task Order 3 budget has been expended (\$188,238.00 out of \$188,238).

Table 9: Budget Status for Task Order 3

Task	Total Budget	Spent Previously	Spent this Period	Total Spent to Date	Budget Remaining	% Spent to Date
12	\$ 53,244.00	\$ 53,244.00	\$ -	\$ 53,244.00	\$ -	100%
13	\$ 69,706.00	\$ 69,706.00	\$ -	\$ 69,706.00	\$ -	100%
14	\$ 53,342.00	\$ 53,342.00	\$ -	\$ 53,342.00	\$ -	100%
15	\$ 11,946.00	\$ 11,946.00	\$ -	\$ 11,946.00	\$ -	100%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 188,238.00</b>	<b>\$ 188,238.00</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 188,238.00</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>100%</b>

Table 10 shows the percent spent for each task under Task Order 4. 100% of the available Task Order 4 budget has been expended (\$764,394.14 out of \$764,396).



**Table 10: Budget Status for Task Order 4**

Task	Total Budget	Spent Previously	Amount Invoiced This Month	Total Spent to Date	Budget Remaining	% Spent to Date
1	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	n/a
2	\$ 24,780.00	\$ 24,793.50	\$ -	\$ 24,793.50	\$ (13.50)	100%
3	\$ 26,912.00	\$ 26,894.00	\$ -	\$ 26,894.00	\$ 18.00	100%
4	\$ 280,196.00	\$ 280,190.26	\$ -	\$ 280,190.26	\$ 5.74	100%
5	\$ 47,698.00	\$ 47,641.88	\$ -	\$ 47,641.88	\$ 56.12	100%
6	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	n/a
7	\$ 117,010.00	\$ 117,009.20	\$ -	\$ 117,009.20	\$ 0.80	100%
8	\$ 69,780.00	\$ 69,831.25	\$ -	\$ 69,831.25	\$ (51.25)	100%
9	\$ 91,132.00	\$ 91,567.49	\$ -	\$ 91,567.49	\$ (435.49)	100%
10	\$ 70,236.00	\$ 69,766.10	\$ -	\$ 69,766.10	\$ 469.90	100%
11	\$ 36,652.00	\$ 36,700.46	\$ -	\$ 36,700.46	\$ (48.46)	100%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 764,396.00</b>	<b>\$ 764,394.14</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 764,394.14</b>	<b>\$ 1.86</b>	<b>100%</b>

Table 11 shows the percent spent for each task under Task Order 5 as of October 29, 2021. 92% of the available Task Order 5 budget has been expended (\$422,987.57 out of \$459,886). Work on Task Order 5 is completed.

**Table 11: Budget Status for Task Order 5**

Task	Total Budget	Spent Previously	Spent this Period	Total Spent to Date	Budget Remaining	% Spent to Date
12	\$196,208.00	\$195,786.23	\$0.00	\$195,786.23	\$421.77	100%
13	\$24,950.00	\$24,933.01	\$0.00	\$24,933.01	\$16.99	100%
14	\$204,906.00	\$167,560.78	\$1,716.00	\$169,276.78	\$35,629.22	83%
15	\$33,822.00	\$32,962.55	\$29.00	\$32,991.55	\$830.45	98%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$459,886.00</b>	<b>\$421,242.57</b>	<b>\$1,745.00</b>	<b>\$422,987.57</b>	<b>\$36,898.43</b>	<b>92%</b>

Table 12 shows the percent spent for each task under Task Order 6. 96% of the available Task Order 6 budget has been expended (\$344,372.37 out of \$357,405). Work on Task Order 6 is completed.

Table 12: Budget Status for Task Order 6

Task	Total Budget	Spent Previously	Spent this Period	Total Spent to Date	Budget Remaining	% Spent to Date
16	\$195,658.00	\$195,630.29	\$0.00	\$195,630.29	\$27.71	100%
17	\$57,406.00	\$57,379.17	\$0.00	\$57,379.17	\$26.83	100%
18	\$12,901.00	\$12,929.91	\$0.00	\$12,929.91	(\$28.91)	100%
19	\$18,848.00	\$18,835.50	\$0.00	\$18,835.50	\$12.50	100%
20	\$40,032.00	\$40,007.00	\$0.00	\$40,007.00	\$25.00	100%
21	\$32,560.00	\$19,590.50	\$0.00	\$19,590.50	\$12,969.50	60%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$357,405.00</b>	<b>\$344,372.37</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$344,372.37</b>	<b>\$13,032.63</b>	<b>96%</b>

Table 13 shows the percent spent for each task under Task Order 7. 59% of the available Task Order 7 budget has been expended (\$160,318.09 out of \$273,655.00). Work on Task Order 7 is completed.

Table 13: Budget Status for Task Order 7

Task	Total Budget	Spent Previously	Spent this Period	Total Spent to Date	Budget Remaining	% Spent to Date
22	\$29,262.00	\$8,736.00	\$0.00	\$8,736.00	\$20,526.00	30%
23	\$12,901.00	\$7,571.88	\$0.00	\$7,571.88	\$5,329.12	59%
24	\$18,848.00	\$15,301.46	\$0.00	\$15,301.46	\$3,546.54	81%
25	\$160,028.00	\$120,728.75	\$0.00	\$120,728.75	\$39,299.25	75%
26	\$49,608.00	\$4,977.00	\$0.00	\$4,977.00	\$44,631.00	10%
27	\$3,008.00	\$3,003.00	\$0.00	\$3,003.00	\$5.00	100%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$273,655.00</b>	<b>\$160,318.09</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$160,318.09</b>	<b>\$113,336.91</b>	<b>59%</b>

Table 14 shows the percent spent for each task under Task Order 8 as of October 29, 2021. 66% of the available Task Order 8 budget has been expended (\$451,683.31 out of \$683,291.00). Task Order 8 is completed.

Table 14: Budget Status for Task Order 8

Task	Total Budget	Spent Previously	Spent this Period	Total Spent to Date	Budget Remaining	% Spent to Date
28	\$90,052.00	\$47,073.72	\$0.00	\$47,073.72	\$42,978.28	52%
29	\$18,057.00	\$15,064.92	\$0.00	\$15,064.92	\$2,992.08	83%
30	\$32,192.00	\$9,468.00	\$0.00	\$9,468.00	\$22,724.00	29%
31	\$273,926.00	\$170,469.50	\$0.00	\$170,469.50	\$103,456.50	62%
32	\$22,584.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$22,584.00	0%
33	\$25,076.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$25,076.00	0%
34	\$50,020.00	\$47,301.79	\$2,724.00	\$50,025.79	(\$5.79)	100%
35	\$40,400.00	\$40,294.75	\$0.00	\$40,294.75	\$105.25	100%
36	\$90,000.00	\$89,982.13	\$0.00	\$89,982.13	\$17.87	100%
37	\$40,984.00	\$29,304.50	\$0.00	\$29,304.50	\$11,679.50	72%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$683,291.00</b>	<b>\$448,959.31</b>	<b>\$2,724.00</b>	<b>\$451,683.31</b>	<b>\$231,607.69</b>	<b>66%</b>

Table 15 shows the percent spent for each task under Task Order 9 as of October 29, 2021. 17% of the available Task Order 9 budget has been expended (\$116,444.98 out of \$674,308.00).

Table 15: Budget Status for Task Order 9

Task	Total Budget	Spent Previously	Spent this Period	Total Spent to Date	Budget Remaining	% Spent to Date
38	\$108,084.00	\$11,257.08	\$10,330.40	\$21,587.48	\$86,496.52	20%
39	\$15,089.00	\$164.50	\$1,361.00	\$1,525.50	\$13,563.50	10%
40	\$16,520.00	\$1,606.50	\$1,967.00	\$3,573.50	\$12,946.50	22%
41	\$173,683.00	\$61,293.50	\$23,927.00	\$85,220.50	\$88,462.50	49%
42	\$179,120.00	\$702.00	\$3,555.00	\$4,257.00	\$174,863.00	2%
43	\$101,556.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$101,556.00	0%
44	\$80,256.00	\$0.00	\$281.00	\$281.00	\$79,975.00	0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$674,308.00</b>	<b>\$75,023.58</b>	<b>\$41,421.40</b>	<b>\$116,444.98</b>	<b>\$557,863.02</b>	<b>17%</b>

### 3 Schedule Status

The project is on schedule. Work authorized under Task Orders 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, and 7 are complete.

### 4 Outstanding Issues to be Coordinated

None

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Date 11/30/2021  
Client No. 02114*

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-- FINANCIAL REPORTING SERVICES --

Progress billing for work to date in connection with audit  
for the year ended June 30, 2021;

\$ 1,400.00

Make all checks payable to **DANIELLS PHILLIPS VAUGHAN & BOCK**  
Pay by card online at <https://www.dpvb.com/online-payment/>

*All Accounts are due and payable upon receipt of invoice.  
A finance charge of 1% (12% apr) will be charged on past due accounts. Thank you.*



TO: Board of Directors  
Agenda Item No. 9

FROM: Taylor Blakslee, Hallmark Group

DATE: January 5, 2022

SUBJECT: Approval of Financial Reports for October and November 2021

**Issue**

Approval of Financial Reports for October and November 2021.

**Recommended Motion**

Approve financial reports for October and November 2021.

**Discussion**

The Cuyama Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency's financial reports for October and November 2021 are provided as Attachment 1.

The reports include:

- Statement of Financial Position
- Receipts and Disbursements
- A/R Aging Summary
- A/P Aging Summary
- Statement of Operations with Budget Variance
- 2021/2022 Operating Budget



# **Cuyama Basin GSA**

**Financial Statements**  
**November 2021**

**CUYAMA BASIN GSA**  
**Statement of Financial Position**  
As of November 30, 2021

	Nov 30, 21	Nov 30, 20	\$ Change	% Change
<b>ASSETS</b>				
<b>Current Assets</b>				
<b>Checking/Savings</b>				
Chase - General Checking	1,319,444	940,366	379,078	40%
<b>Total Checking/Savings</b>	1,319,444	940,366	379,078	40%
<b>Accounts Receivable</b>				
Accounts Receivable	173,638	524,587	-350,949	-67%
<b>Total Accounts Receivable</b>	173,638	524,587	-350,949	-67%
<b>Other Current Assets</b>				
Grant Retention Receivable	264,812	236,456	28,356	12%
<b>Total Other Current Assets</b>	264,812	236,456	28,356	12%
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	1,757,894	1,701,409	56,485	3%
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>1,757,894</b>	<b>1,701,409</b>	<b>56,485</b>	<b>3%</b>
<b>LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>				
<b>Liabilities</b>				
<b>Current Liabilities</b>				
Accounts Payable				
Accounts Payable	122,791	181,246	-58,455	-32%
<b>Total Accounts Payable</b>	122,791	181,246	-58,455	-32%
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>	122,791	181,246	-58,455	-32%
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	122,791	181,246	-58,455	-32%
<b>Equity</b>				
Unrestricted Net Assets	763,431	636,105	127,326	20%
Net Income	871,672	884,057	-12,385	-1%
<b>Total Equity</b>	1,635,103	1,520,163	114,940	8%
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	<b>1,757,894</b>	<b>1,701,409</b>	<b>56,485</b>	<b>3%</b>

**CUYAMA BASIN GSA**  
**Receipts and Disbursements**  
**As of November 30, 2021**

Type	Date	Num	Name	Debit	Credit
<b>Chase - General Checking</b>					
Payment	07/01/2021	317673	Groundwater Extraction Fees: Bolthouse Farms	322,421.58	
Payment	07/01/2021	317673	Groundwater Extraction Fees: Bolthouse Farms - Perkins Ranch	10,296.00	
Payment	07/01/2021	0701 1B7031R020586	Groundwater Extraction Fees: Brodiaea, Inc	29,544.06	
Payment	07/14/2021	489415	Groundwater Extraction Fees: E & B Natural Resources Mgmt Corp	873.99	
Payment	07/14/2021	1273	Groundwater Extraction Fees: Cuyama Mutual Water Co.	191.10	
Payment	07/14/2021	44792	Groundwater Extraction Fees: Santa Barbara Highlands Vineyard	46,046.83	
Payment	07/14/2021	047977	Groundwater Extraction Fees: Feinstein Investments	5,566.47	
Payment	07/14/2021	50506	Groundwater Extraction Fees: Cuyama Dairy Farm	21,799.80	
Payment	07/14/2021	20334	Groundwater Extraction Fees: Apache Canyon Ranch, Inc	12,427.35	
Payment	07/14/2021	2726	Groundwater Extraction Fees: Harrington Farms	2,565.00	
Payment	07/14/2021	2785	Groundwater Extraction Fees: Harrington Farms	2,700.00	
Check	07/16/2021	1081	Groundwater Extraction Fees: Cuyama Dairy Farm		294.81
Bill Pmt -...	07/16/2021	1082	Minuteman Press		1,936.60
Bill Pmt -...	08/25/2021	1083	HGCPM, Inc.		81,211.02
Bill Pmt -...	08/25/2021	1084	Klein, DeNatale, Goldner		13,213.62
Bill Pmt -...	08/25/2021	1085	Woodard & Curran Inc		87,602.63
Payment	08/30/2021	04-616441	Department of Water Resources	57,067.73	
Payment	09/24/2021	04-629078	Department of Water Resources	11,504.47	
Bill Pmt -...	11/04/2021	1086	Daniells Phillips Vaughan & Bock		6,500.00
Bill Pmt -...	11/04/2021	1087	HGCPM, Inc.		83,786.98
Bill Pmt -...	11/04/2021	1088	Klein, DeNatale, Goldner		11,273.50
Bill Pmt -...	11/04/2021	1089	Woodard & Curran Inc		126,979.37
Total Chase - General Checking				523,004.38	412,798.53
<b>TOTAL</b>				<b>523,004.38</b>	<b>412,798.53</b>



**CUYAMA BASIN GSA**  
**A/R Aging Summary**  
 As of November 30, 2021

	Current	1 - 30	31 - 60	61 - 90	> 90	TOTAL
Department of Water Resources	0	0	0	84,084	0	84,084
Groundwater Extraction Fees						
Brodiaea, Inc	0	0	0	0	2,954	2,954
Cuyama Orchards, Inc	1,458	729	0	729	83,683	86,600
<b>Total Groundwater Extraction Fees</b>	<b>1,458</b>	<b>729</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>729</b>	<b>86,637</b>	<b>89,554</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,458</b>	<b>729</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>84,813</b>	<b>86,637</b>	<b>173,638</b>

**CUYAMA BASIN GSA**  
**A/P Aging Summary**  
As of November 30, 2021

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	<u>Current</u>	<u>1 - 30</u>	<u>31 - 60</u>	<u>61 - 90</u>	<u>&gt; 90</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Daniells Phillips Vaughan & Bock	1,400	0	0	0	0	1,400
HGCPM, Inc.	36,064	0	0	0	0	36,064
Klein, DeNatale, Goldner	4,381	699	0	0	0	5,079
Woodard & Curran Inc	80,248	0	0	0	0	80,248
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b><u>122,092</u></b>	<b><u>699</u></b>	<b><u>0</u></b>	<b><u>0</u></b>	<b><u>0</u></b>	<b><u>122,791</u></b>

**CUYAMA BASIN GSA**  
**Statement of Operations with Budget Variance**  
 July through November 2021

	Jul - Nov 21	Budget	\$ Over Budget	% of Budget
<b>Ordinary Income/Expense</b>				
<b>Income</b>				
<b>Direct Public Funds</b>				
Groundwater Extraction Fees	1,119,893	0	1,119,893	100%
Grants	93,426	97,900	-4,474	95%
GWE Late Fees	9,683	0	9,683	100%
<b>Total Direct Public Funds</b>	1,223,003	97,900	1,125,103	1,249%
<b>Total Income</b>	1,223,003	97,900	1,125,103	1,249%
<b>Cost of Goods Sold</b>				
<b>Program Expenses</b>				
<b>Technical Consulting</b>				
Basin Model Refinement	5,877	81,211	-75,334	7%
GSP Implementation - W&C	101,817	72,365	29,452	141%
Monitoring Network - P&P	20,116	73,600	-53,484	27%
Aquifer Testing	0	42,315	-42,315	0%
Stakeholder Engagement	37,133	38,455	-1,322	97%
Grant Proposals	0	33,440	-33,440	0%
Technical Support for DWR	4,766	6,881	-2,116	69%
Outreach	10,415	6,290	4,125	166%
Technical Support - CAT 1	36,439	9,232	27,207	395%
Grant Administration	10,782	6,000	4,782	180%
<b>Total Technical Consulting</b>	227,343	369,789	-142,446	61%
<b>Total Program Expenses</b>	227,343	369,789	-142,446	61%
<b>Total COGS</b>	227,343	369,789	-142,446	61%
<b>Gross Profit</b>	995,659	-271,889	1,267,548	-366%
<b>Expense</b>				
<b>General and Administrative</b>				
MA Implementation - Prop 218	0	50,000	-50,000	0%
<b>GSA Executive Director</b>				
Adjudication Support	175	0	175	100%
Management Area Policy	1,006	0	1,006	100%
GSA BOD Meetings	38,281	33,728	4,553	113%
Consult Mgmt and GSP Devel	26,644	24,701	1,943	108%
Financial Information Coor	16,900	15,310	1,590	110%
Funding Process (GWE Fee)	2,538	6,348	-3,811	40%
CBGSA Outreach	4,638	4,011	627	116%
Support for DWR/Public Comments	7,481	2,331	5,150	321%
Travel and Direct Costs	2,072	2,011	61	103%
<b>Total GSA Executive Director</b>	99,735	88,440	11,295	113%
<b>Other Administrative</b>				
Legal	16,353	25,000	-8,648	65%
Auditing/Accounting Fees	7,900	9,000	-1,100	88%
Contingency	0	8,331	-8,331	0%
<b>Total Other Administrative</b>	24,253	42,331	-18,079	57%
<b>Total General and Administrative</b>	123,987	180,771	-56,784	69%
<b>Total Expense</b>	123,987	180,771	-56,784	69%
<b>Net Ordinary Income</b>	871,672	-452,660	1,324,332	-193%
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>871,672</b>	<b>-452,660</b>	<b>1,324,332</b>	<b>-193%</b>

**CUYAMA BASIN GSA**  
**2021/2022 Annual Operating Budget**  
 July 2021 through June 2022

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	<u>Jul '21 - Jun 22</u>
<b>Ordinary Income/Expense</b>	
<b>Income</b>	
<b>Direct Public Funds</b>	
Groundwater Extraction Fees	1,000,000
Grants	344,391
<b>Total Direct Public Funds</b>	<u>1,344,391</u>
<b>Total Income</b>	1,344,391
<b>Cost of Goods Sold</b>	
<b>Program Expenses</b>	
<b>Technical Consulting</b>	
Basin Model Refinement	194,912
GSP Implementation - W&C	173,683
Monitoring Network - P&P	131,600
Aquifer Testing	101,556
Stakeholder Engagement	92,292
Grant Proposals	80,256
Technical Support for DWR	16,520
Outreach	15,089
Technical Support - CAT 1	9,232
Grant Administration	6,000
<b>Total Technical Consulting</b>	<u>821,140</u>
<b>Total Program Expenses</b>	<u>821,140</u>
<b>Total COGS</b>	<u>821,140</u>
<b>Gross Profit</b>	523,251
<b>Expense</b>	
<b>General and Administrative</b>	
MA Implementation - Prop 218	60,000
<b>GSA Executive Director</b>	
GSA BOD Meetings	80,950
Consult Mgmt and GSP Devel	59,288
Financial Information Coor	36,738
Funding Process (GWE Fee)	15,238
CBGSA Outreach	9,625
Support for DWR/Public Comments	5,600
Travel and Direct Costs	3,754
<b>Total GSA Executive Director</b>	<u>211,193</u>
<b>Other Administrative</b>	
Legal	60,000
Directors & Officers Insurance	12,000
Auditing/Accounting Fees	9,000
Other Admin Expense	200
Contingency	20,000
<b>Total Other Administrative</b>	<u>101,200</u>
<b>Total General and Administrative</b>	<u>372,393</u>
<b>Total Expense</b>	<u>372,393</u>
<b>Net Ordinary Income</b>	<u>150,858</u>
<b>Net Income</b>	<u><u>150,858</u></u>



# **Cuyama Basin GSA**

**Financial Statements**  
**October 2021**

**CUYAMA BASIN GSA**  
**Statement of Financial Position**  
As of October 31, 2021

	Oct 31, 21	Oct 31, 20	\$ Change	% Change
<b>ASSETS</b>				
<b>Current Assets</b>				
<b>Checking/Savings</b>				
Chase - General Checking	1,547,984	1,073,432	474,552	44%
<b>Total Checking/Savings</b>	1,547,984	1,073,432	474,552	44%
<b>Accounts Receivable</b>				
Accounts Receivable	172,908	524,695	-351,786	-67%
<b>Total Accounts Receivable</b>	172,908	524,695	-351,786	-67%
<b>Other Current Assets</b>				
Grant Retention Receivable	264,812	236,456	28,356	12%
<b>Total Other Current Assets</b>	264,812	236,456	28,356	12%
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	1,985,705	1,834,583	151,121	8%
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>1,985,705</b>	<b>1,834,583</b>	<b>151,121</b>	<b>8%</b>
<b>LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>				
<b>Liabilities</b>				
<b>Current Liabilities</b>				
Accounts Payable				
Accounts Payable	295,730	236,212	59,518	25%
<b>Total Accounts Payable</b>	295,730	236,212	59,518	25%
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>	295,730	236,212	59,518	25%
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	295,730	236,212	59,518	25%
<b>Equity</b>				
Unrestricted Net Assets	763,431	636,105	127,326	20%
Net Income	926,544	962,266	-35,722	-4%
<b>Total Equity</b>	1,689,975	1,598,371	91,604	6%
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	<b>1,985,705</b>	<b>1,834,583</b>	<b>151,121</b>	<b>8%</b>

**CUYAMA BASIN GSA**  
**Receipts and Disbursements**  
**As of October 31, 2021**

Type	Date	Num	Name	Debit	Credit
<b>Chase - General Checking</b>					
Payment	07/01/2021	317673	Groundwater Extraction Fees: Bolthouse Farms	322,421.58	
Payment	07/01/2021	317673	Groundwater Extraction Fees: Bolthouse Farms - Perkins Ranch	10,296.00	
Payment	07/01/2021	0701 1B7031R020586	Groundwater Extraction Fees: Brodiaea, Inc	29,544.06	
Payment	07/14/2021	489415	Groundwater Extraction Fees: E & B Natural Resources Mgmt Corp	873.99	
Payment	07/14/2021	1273	Groundwater Extraction Fees: Cuyama Mutual Water Co.	191.10	
Payment	07/14/2021	44792	Groundwater Extraction Fees: Santa Barbara Highlands Vineyard	46,046.83	
Payment	07/14/2021	047977	Groundwater Extraction Fees: Feinstein Investments	5,566.47	
Payment	07/14/2021	50506	Groundwater Extraction Fees: Cuyama Dairy Farm	21,799.80	
Payment	07/14/2021	20334	Groundwater Extraction Fees: Apache Canyon Ranch, Inc	12,427.35	
Payment	07/14/2021	2726	Groundwater Extraction Fees: Harrington Farms	2,565.00	
Payment	07/14/2021	2785	Groundwater Extraction Fees: Harrington Farms	2,700.00	
Check	07/16/2021	1081	Groundwater Extraction Fees: Cuyama Dairy Farm		294.81
Bill Pmt -...	07/16/2021	1082	Minuteman Press		1,936.60
Bill Pmt -...	08/25/2021	1083	HGCPM, Inc.		81,211.02
Bill Pmt -...	08/25/2021	1084	Klein, DeNatale, Goldner		13,213.62
Bill Pmt -...	08/25/2021	1085	Woodard & Curran Inc		87,602.63
Payment	08/30/2021	04-616441	Department of Water Resources	57,067.73	
Payment	09/24/2021	04-629078	Department of Water Resources	11,504.47	
Total Chase - General Checking				523,004.38	184,258.68
<b>TOTAL</b>				<b>523,004.38</b>	<b>184,258.68</b>

**CUYAMA BASIN GSA**  
**A/R Aging Summary**  
 As of October 31, 2021

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	<u>Current</u>	<u>1 - 30</u>	<u>31 - 60</u>	<u>61 - 90</u>	<u>&gt; 90</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Department of Water Resources	0	0	84,084	0	0	84,084
Groundwater Extraction Fees						
Brodiaea, Inc	0	0	0	0	2,954	2,954
Cuyama Orchards, Inc	1,458	0	729	3,813	79,871	85,870
<b>Total Groundwater Extraction Fees</b>	<u>1,458</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>729</u>	<u>3,813</u>	<u>82,825</u>	<u>88,825</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u><u>1,458</u></u>	<u><u>0</u></u>	<u><u>84,813</u></u>	<u><u>3,813</u></u>	<u><u>82,825</u></u>	<u><u>172,908</u></u>



**CUYAMA BASIN GSA**  
**A/P Aging Summary**  
As of October 31, 2021

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	<u>Current</u>	<u>1 - 30</u>	<u>31 - 60</u>	<u>61 - 90</u>	<u>&gt; 90</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Daniells Phillips Vaughan & Bock	0	3,000	3,500	0	0	6,500
HGCPM, Inc.	20,601	27,503	32,953	23,331	0	104,388
Klein, DeNatale, Goldner	699	1,717	7,786	1,771	0	11,972
Woodard & Curran Inc	45,890	44,463	49,521	32,995	0	172,870
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b><u>67,190</u></b>	<b><u>76,684</u></b>	<b><u>93,759</u></b>	<b><u>58,097</u></b>	<b><u>0</u></b>	<b><u>295,730</u></b>

**CUYAMA BASIN GSA**  
**Statement of Operations with Budget Variance**  
 July through October 2021

	Jul - Oct 21	Budget	\$ Over Budget	% of Budget
<b>Ordinary Income/Expense</b>				
<b>Income</b>				
<b>Direct Public Funds</b>				
Groundwater Extraction Fees	1,119,893	0	1,119,893	100%
Grants	93,426	51,100	42,326	183%
GWE Late Fees	8,954	0	8,954	100%
<b>Total Direct Public Funds</b>	<u>1,222,273</u>	<u>51,100</u>	<u>1,171,173</u>	<u>2,392%</u>
<b>Total Income</b>	1,222,273	51,100	1,171,173	2,392%
<b>Cost of Goods Sold</b>				
<b>Program Expenses</b>				
<b>Technical Consulting</b>				
Basin Model Refinement	5,877	64,968	-59,091	9%
GSP Implementation - W&C	91,647	57,892	33,755	158%
Monitoring Network - P&P	20,116	63,100	-42,984	32%
Aquifer Testing	0	33,852	-33,852	0%
Stakeholder Engagement	22,149	30,764	-8,615	72%
Grant Proposals	0	26,752	-26,752	0%
Technical Support for DWR	4,766	5,504	-739	87%
Outreach	5,492	5,032	460	109%
Technical Support - CAT 1	36,439	9,232	27,207	395%
Grant Administration	6,500	6,000	500	108%
<b>Total Technical Consulting</b>	<u>192,985</u>	<u>303,096</u>	<u>-110,111</u>	<u>64%</u>
<b>Total Program Expenses</b>	<u>192,985</u>	<u>303,096</u>	<u>-110,111</u>	<u>64%</u>
<b>Total COGS</b>	<u>192,985</u>	<u>303,096</u>	<u>-110,111</u>	<u>64%</u>
<b>Gross Profit</b>	1,029,288	-251,996	1,281,284	-408%
<b>Expense</b>				
<b>General and Administrative</b>				
MA Implementation - Prop 218	0	40,000	-40,000	0%
<b>GSA Executive Director</b>				
GSA BOD Meetings	30,931	26,982	3,949	115%
Consult Mgmt and GSP Devel	22,006	19,760	2,246	111%
Financial Information Coord	16,144	12,248	3,896	132%
Funding Process (GWE Fee)	2,538	5,078	-2,541	50%
CBGSA Outreach	3,763	3,209	554	117%
Support for DWR/Public Comments	7,306	1,864	5,442	392%
Travel and Direct Costs	1,585	1,762	-177	90%
<b>Total GSA Executive Director</b>	<u>84,273</u>	<u>70,903</u>	<u>13,370</u>	<u>119%</u>
<b>Other Administrative</b>				
Legal	11,972	20,000	-8,028	60%
Auditing/Accounting Fees	6,500	9,000	-2,500	72%
Contingency	0	6,664	-6,664	0%
<b>Total Other Administrative</b>	<u>18,472</u>	<u>35,664</u>	<u>-17,192</u>	<u>52%</u>
<b>Total General and Administrative</b>	<u>102,745</u>	<u>146,567</u>	<u>-43,822</u>	<u>70%</u>
<b>Total Expense</b>	<u>102,745</u>	<u>146,567</u>	<u>-43,822</u>	<u>70%</u>
<b>Net Ordinary Income</b>	<u>926,544</u>	<u>-398,563</u>	<u>1,325,107</u>	<u>-232%</u>
<b>Net Income</b>	<u><u>926,544</u></u>	<u><u>-398,563</u></u>	<u><u>1,325,107</u></u>	<u><u>-232%</u></u>

**CUYAMA BASIN GSA**  
**2021/2022 Annual Operating Budget**  
 July 2021 through June 2022

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	<b>Jul '21 - Jun 22</b>
<b>Ordinary Income/Expense</b>	
<b>Income</b>	
<b>Direct Public Funds</b>	
Groundwater Extraction Fees	1,000,000
Grants	344,391
<b>Total Direct Public Funds</b>	1,344,391
<b>Total Income</b>	1,344,391
<b>Cost of Goods Sold</b>	
<b>Program Expenses</b>	
<b>Technical Consulting</b>	
Basin Model Refinement	194,912
GSP Implementation - W&C	173,683
Monitoring Network - P&P	131,600
Aquifer Testing	101,556
Stakeholder Engagement	92,292
Grant Proposals	80,256
Technical Support for DWR	16,520
Outreach	15,089
Technical Support - CAT 1	9,232
Grant Administration	6,000
<b>Total Technical Consulting</b>	821,140
<b>Total Program Expenses</b>	821,140
<b>Total COGS</b>	821,140
<b>Gross Profit</b>	523,251
<b>Expense</b>	
<b>General and Administrative</b>	
MA Implementation - Prop 218	60,000
<b>GSA Executive Director</b>	
GSA BOD Meetings	80,950
Consult Mgmt and GSP Devel	59,288
Financial Information Coor	36,738
Funding Process (GWE Fee)	15,238
CBGSA Outreach	9,625
Support for DWR/Public Comments	5,600
Travel and Direct Costs	3,754
<b>Total GSA Executive Director</b>	211,193
<b>Other Administrative</b>	
Legal	60,000
Directors & Officers Insurance	12,000
Auditing/Accounting Fees	9,000
Other Admin Expense	200
Contingency	20,000
<b>Total Other Administrative</b>	101,200
<b>Total General and Administrative</b>	372,393
<b>Total Expense</b>	372,393
<b>Net Ordinary Income</b>	150,858
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>150,858</b>



TO: Board of Directors  
Agenda Item No. 10

FROM: Jim Beck / Joe Hughes

DATE: January 5, 2022

SUBJECT: Direction on Central Management Area Policies

### **Issue**

Discussion on Central Management Area policies.

### **Recommended Motion**

Board direction is requested regarding the Central Management Area policy points set forth below.

### **Discussion**

The Cuyama Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency's (CBGSA) Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) establishes a glidepath for implementing pumping reductions in the Central Management Area (Management Area). The glidepath sets forth an initial 5 percent reduction of the overdraft beginning in 2023. There is an additional 5 percent reduction in 2024. The glidepath provides an additional 6.5 percent reduction in successive years through 2038.

The CBGSA executed an agreement with the Cuyama Basin Water District (CBWD) delegating implementation of these pumping reductions (Delegation Agreement); however, the CBWD recently informed the CBGSA that it would not accept the delegation at this time. Therefore, to comply with the GSP, an ad hoc of the Board was formed to provide a recommendation to the Board regarding the implementation of pumping reductions in the Management Area. The ad hoc identified several policy points and staff reviewed those policy points and developed implementation options for the ad hoc to consider. The ad hoc has reviewed those options. Its feedback is provided below.

Staff is requesting Board input on these policy points.

## **1. ALLOCATION OPTIONS**

### **ISSUE 1A**

What is the basis for the allocation?

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Potential Options / Discussion

Staff presented two implementation options to the ad hoc: (1) implement an allocation in the Management Area, which is consistent with the GSP; or (2) implement an allocation in the entire basin, which would require an amendment to the GSP.

Ad hoc Feedback

The ad hoc expressed two primary opinions. First, there was disagreement with the equity of only imposing a pumping reduction in the Management Area. Second, however, the ad hoc believed that the Board would not want to review previously negotiated components of the GSP, and instead, should work on implementing what was already set forth in the GSP. Some members of the ad hoc had concerns about implementing reductions in the Management Area without ensuring there would be no further increase of pumping in other irrigated areas of the basin.

**ISSUE 1B**

What is the sustainable yield for the Management Area?

Potential Options / Discussion

Staff reviewed estimates of pumping with the ad hoc which included user-reported information collected from the latest groundwater extraction fee process for 2020 water use and modeled estimates of 2020 water use. The sustainable yield estimate for the Management Area is 9,600 acre-feet and is based on the original model result, which will be updated by July 2022. The calculations for estimating the acre-foot reduction required in the Management Area is based on the glidepath, current pumping rates, and the current sustainable yield estimate of the CBMA (which is summarized in Attachment 1).

Ad hoc Feedback

The ad hoc questioned whether the sustainable yield for the Management Area was calculated as a separate basin. Also, there was an opinion from one member that there are equity issues with the Management Area being charged approximately 80 percent of groundwater extraction fees (due to 80% of current pumping being in the Management Area) and potentially only receiving approximately 50 percent of the final sustainable yield of the basin.

**ISSUE 1C**

What is the sustainable yield allocation strategy for the Management Area?

Potential Options / Discussion

Staff presented several allocation strategies for consideration. These strategies were: (1) an allocation based on acreage (gross or irrigated); (2) an allocation based on historic pumping; (3) a hybrid approach; and (4) an approach that excludes municipal users.

Ad hoc Feedback

An opinion was expressed that “simpler is better” when administering a pumping reduction and that a simple approach would help keep costs down. There was agreement with excluding the Cuyama Community Services Districts (as described in the GSP) and there was one recommendation to exclude the Cuyama townsite, as well. One ad hoc member said that allocating based on historic pumping makes sense because the court adjudication process is heading in that direction but indicated that an allocation based on irrigated acreage as interim approach may make sense.

## 2. FUNDING OPTIONS

### ISSUE 2A

How can the CBGSA fund implementation of the pumping reductions in the Management Area?

#### Potential Options / Discussion

Staff informed the ad hoc the groundwater extraction fee cannot be used to fund the implementation of pumping reductions in the Management Area. Further, staff reported that a Prop. 218, based on either groundwater extractions or land, is the primary vehicle for collecting fees to fund these pumping reductions. Because a Prop. 218 may take over 6 months, it was suggested that the CBGSA could approach counties and/or landowners to front the money ahead of a successful Prop. 218, as has been done in the past.

#### Ad hoc Feedback

An ad hoc member suggested that a Prop. 218 only in the Management Area may not be appropriate because pumping reductions in that area could be viewed as benefiting other parts of the basin. An ad hoc member commented that a Prop. 218 would likely not pass without Grimmway and Bolthouse's participation. The ad hoc asked staff to (a) identify the schedule for a Prop. 218 election/majority protest and (b) provide feedback regarding what would happen if money is fronted by an entities/landowners and the Prop. 218 does not pass. An ad hoc member disagreed with the assertion that pumping reductions do not benefit the entire basin.

### ISSUE 2B

How should the CBGSA handle current Management Area expenses prior to implementing a funding mechanism?

#### Potential Options / Discussion

As originally planned under the Delegation Agreement with the CBWD, the CBWD would have provided costs for implementing the pumping reduction in the Management Area to the CBGSA and, to afford those costs, the CBGSA staff would have administered a Prop. 218 in mid-to-late 2021. Since the CBWD has decided not to accept the delegation at this time, the CBGSA staff is developing Management Area policies to implement pumping reductions in the Management Area, scheduled to begin in 2023. Staff is working with legal to determine whether funds from the general fund can be expended on current expenses related to these activities and be repaid under a future Prop. 218.

#### Ad hoc Feedback

Legal and staff will advise the Board regarding funding current expenses with general funds to be repaid under a future Prop. 218.

## 3. HOW TO MANAGE REDUCTION

### ISSUE 3A

How should the CBGSA administer the reduction of pumping in the Management Area?

#### Potential Options / Discussion

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Staff provided a brief update on three components for implementing a reduction in the Management Area: (1) requiring water schedules from each landowner; (2) tracking methodologies (in-field, calibrated evapotranspiration (ET) vs meters); and (3) verification options including [a] trusting landowners, [b] using ET, and [c] random spot checks (in-field meter readings for meter option, or in-field visits for ET option).

Ad hoc Feedback

No specific ad hoc feedback provided.

#### **4. INCREASED WATER USAGE OUTSIDE AND INSIDE CENTRAL MANAGEMENT AREA**

##### **ISSUE 4A**

How should the CBGSA handle potential increases of water use inside and outside the Management Area?

Potential Options / Discussion

Staff advised the ad hoc that this issue is beyond the specific scope of the ad hoc and would need to be discussed with the full Board.

Ad hoc Feedback

No ad hoc feedback provided.

#### **5. REVISED SUSTAINABLE YIELD BASED ON UPDATED MODEL**

##### **ISSUE 5A**

Components of the Management Area need to be evaluated once the current modeling is complete in July 2022.

Potential Options / Discussion

Along with an update of the sustainable yield, several additional items will need to be revisited after the model update is complete, including an evaluation of the Management Area criteria and a decision on the Management Area boundary philosophy (modeled boundary vs using an operational boundary).

Ad hoc Feedback

No ad hoc feedback provided.

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ESTIMATE OF PUMPING REDUCTION IN THE CENTRAL MANAGEMENT AREA

Model Numbers  
User-Reported Numbers

<b>(1) Groundwater Pumping Estimates/Actuals</b>	Acre-feet
Estimate - Model 2020 Pumping (basin-wide)	56,636
Estimate - Model 2020 Pumping (Central MA)	39,845
Estimate - Model 2021 Pumping (basin-wide)	TBD
Estimate - Model 2021 Pumping (Central MA)	TBD
Water User - Reported - 2020 Water Use (ET)	28,387
Water User - Reported - 2020 Water Use (gross; calculated as 1.52 * ET)	43,148

<b>(2) Calculations to Determine Base Amount to Reduce</b>	Acre-feet
Pumping (basin-wide)	56,636
Pumping (Central MA) - <i>approximately 70% of basin pumping</i>	39,845
Central Management Area Sustainable Yield	9,600
Base amount to reduce from Central MA	<b>30,245</b>

<b>(3) Estimated Reduction in Pumping</b>					
Year	Glide path	Amount to Reduce (af)	Maximum Annual Pumping (af)	Remaining Overdraft (af)	
2023	5.0%	1,512	38,333	28,733	
2024	5.0%	1,512	36,821	27,221	
2025	6.5%	1,966	34,855	25,255	
2026	6.5%	1,966	32,889	23,289	
2027	6.5%	1,966	30,923	21,323	
2028	6.5%	1,966	28,957	19,357	
2029	6.5%	1,966	26,991	17,391	
2030	6.5%	1,966	25,025	15,425	
2031	6.5%	1,966	23,059	13,459	
2032	6.5%	1,966	21,093	11,493	
2033	6.5%	1,966	19,127	9,527	
2034	6.5%	1,966	17,161	7,561	
2035	6.5%	1,966	15,195	5,595	
2036	6.5%	1,966	13,229	3,629	
2037	6.5%	1,966	11,263	1,663	
2038	5.5%	1,663	9,600	-	
2039	0.0%	-	9,600	-	
2040	0.0%	-	9,600	-	

100%





TO: Board of Directors  
Agenda Item No. 11

FROM: Jim Beck / Brian Van Lienden

DATE: January 5, 2022

SUBJECT: Direction on Adaptive Management Actions

**Issue**

Discussion on adaptive management actions for groundwater level wells in the Cuyama basin.

**Recommended Motion**

Adopt the Adaptive Management Ad hoc recommendation as outlined in agenda item No. 11.

**Discussion**

The Cuyama Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency's Groundwater Sustainable Plan (GSP) established adaptive management actions for representative wells that are below their minimum threshold or within 10 percent of the minimum threshold (Section 7.6 of the GSP).

The Adaptive Management ad hoc met on June 28, 2021, and on August 18, 2021, the Board passed a motion to adopt the ad hoc committee's recommendation to (1) make no changes to thresholds or the glide path for now, (2) continue to perform monitoring of groundwater levels, and (3) perform an analysis of nearby production wells to determine if any are in danger of going dry, including an analysis of the well in question, and provide a link on the website to allow landowners to provide information on potential groundwater level impacts to wells.

Woodard & Curran performed an analysis to determine if wells are in danger of going dry and presented the results of a technical memo to the Adaptive Management Ad hoc on November 30, 2021. A summary of the analysis and the ad hoc's recommendation is provided as Attachment 1. The detailed technical analysis memo is provided as Attachment 2.

Cuyama Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency

Direction on Adaptive Management Actions

Jim Beck / Brian Van Lienden

January 5, 2022

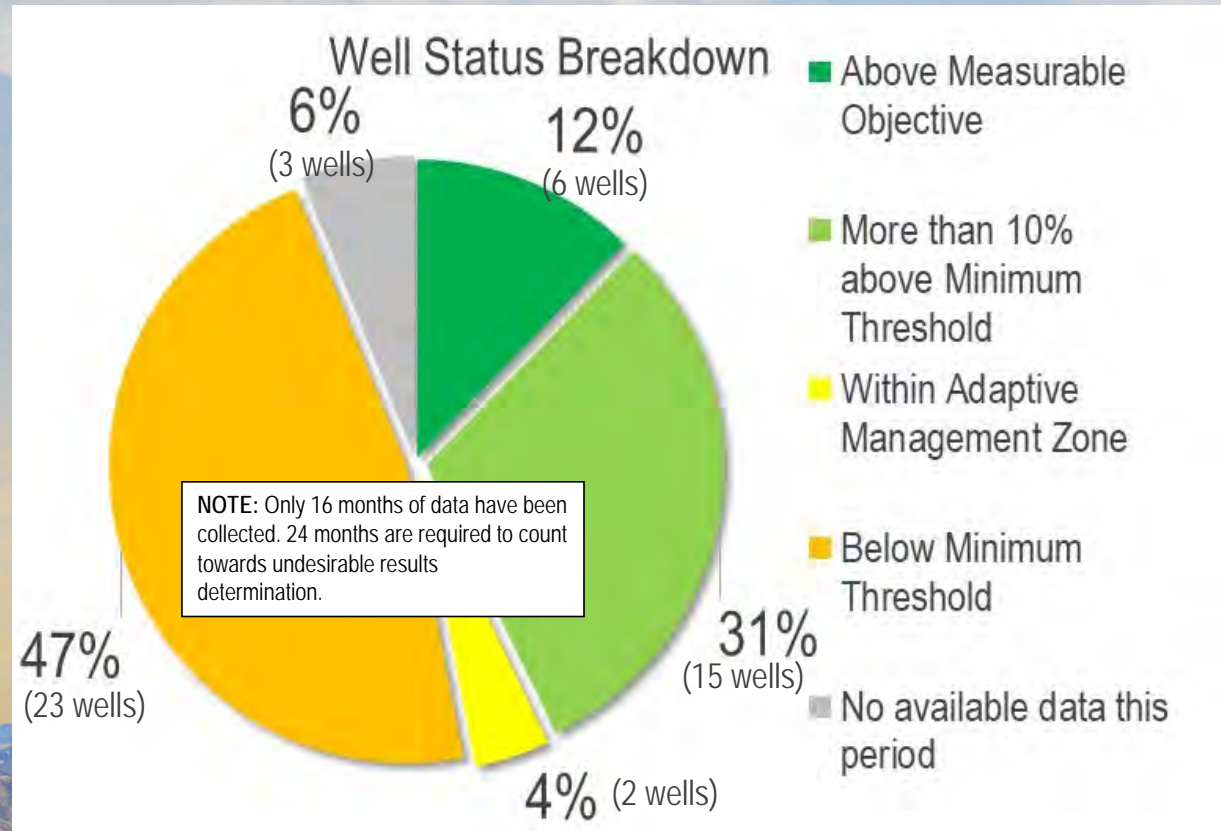


# Adaptive Management Background

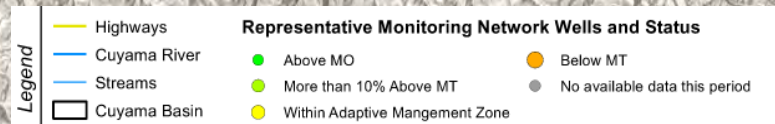
- Adaptive Management Included in the GSP (section 7.6):
  - Adaptive management triggers are thresholds that, if reached, initiate the process for considering implementation of adaptive management actions or projects. For CBGSA, the trigger for adaptive management and CBGSA's next steps would be as follows:
    - If the Basin is within the Margin of Operational Flexibility, but trending toward Undesirable Results, and within 10 percent of the Minimum Threshold: CBGSA will investigate the cause and determine appropriate actions.
- Groundwater levels monitoring report is showing some representative monitoring wells falling below minimum thresholds
- Adaptive Management Ad-hoc committee met on November 30 to discuss options for addressing issues identified to date

# Summary of Oct 2021 Groundwater Well Levels as Compared To Sustainability Criteria <sup>84</sup>

- 23 wells are currently below minimum threshold (MT)
  - 8 of these were already below MT at time of GSP adoption
- Adaptive management ad-hoc committee has been formed to discuss potential options



# Status of Representative Monitoring Wells as of Oct 2021



# Adaptive Management Options

- As of October 2021, 30% of wells have been below minimum threshold for 6 or more months
  - If current levels hold, we will exceed GSP limitations in 18 months (~April 2023)
- Potential Options Discussed at Nov 30 Ad-Hoc Committee Call:
  - Restrict pumping in individual wells
  - Adjust the 30% over 2 years criteria
  - Adjust thresholds (may require plan amendment)
  - Accelerate glidepath
  - Perform additional data gathering and analysis

# Results of Well Status Analysis

- An analysis was performed that compared production and domestic well depths (or bottom or perforations) versus Oct 2021 monitoring well elevations

**Table 1. Summary of Domestic and Production Wells Status as of October 2021**

Threshold Region	Total number of wells	Domestic wells that may currently be dry	Total wells that may currently be dry	Percentage of wells that may currently be dry	Total wells that are almost dry
Northwestern	16	0	0	0%	2
Western	40	0	0	0%	0
Central	89	2	4	5%	4
Eastern	39	1	4	10%	2
Southeastern	66	1	1	2%	1
<b>Whole Basin</b>	<b>250</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>4%</b>	<b>9</b>

- Detailed results are shown in the attached memo

# Direction on Adaptive Management

Ad-hoc committee recommendation:

Perform additional data gathering and analysis to confirm condition of wells identified in the well status analysis:

1. Desktop analysis and phone outreach to be performed by W&C (budget is available for this in current task order)
2. Field verification to be performed by P&P



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## TECHNICAL MEMORANDUM

PREPARED BY: Nolan Meyer and Brian Van Lienden, Woodard & Curran

DATE: November 23, 2021

RE: Well Status Analysis for Adaptive Management Ad-Hoc, Cuyama Basin GSA

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The purpose of this document is to describe the methodology and the results of an analysis that was performed using current groundwater levels in the Cuyama Basin as of October 2021, which compares production and domestic well screened interval and depth information to recent groundwater levels at the monitoring well nearest to each production and domestic well.

### 1.1 Methodology

The assessment was performed using well location and construction information provided by the counties that overlie the basin, including Santa Barbara, San Luis Obispo, Ventura, and Kern. To accomplish this, the CBGSA collected all available well data from public sources and the four Counties in tabular formats. Well locations were estimated using latitude/longitude, APN, WCR, or Township Range data, as available. The bottom of the screen interval was used in the analysis where available; if unavailable, total well depth used. Using a Digital Elevation Model (DEM) from the USGS, the surface elevation of each well was estimated using its location. The elevation at the bottom of the screen interval was then estimated by subtracting the screen depth (feet below ground surface) from the surface elevation (feet above mean sea level).

Some basic filtering criteria were applied to the analysis to remove wells from consideration, including:

- Wells that are destroyed or non-compliant in the county datasets
- Wells for which neither screened interval or well depth information was available
- Wells that are far away from active groundwater management and monitoring (e.g. the Badlands region)
- wells that were already dry as of January 1, 2015

These wells are shown as "Filtered from Analysis" in the map below and are not included in the count of wells that are dry or almost dry. The filtered well data, as well as monitoring well data from Opti and associated minimum thresholds (MT), were imported to ArcGIS to perform a spatial analysis. Using the 'Near' tool in ArcGIS, the monitoring well nearest to each well was recorded, as well as the distance to that monitoring well.

For the remaining subset of production and domestic wells the groundwater level at the nearest monitoring well was then compared to the screen interval depth (or well depth) of each well and classified as follows<sup>1</sup>:

- If the groundwater level of the nearest monitoring well is above (greater) than that of the well screen interval depth, the well is classified as "Not Dry".
- If the groundwater level of the nearest monitoring well above (greater) than that of the well screen interval depth, but the difference is less than 50 feet, the well is classified as "Almost Dry".

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<sup>1</sup> It is important to note that this analysis may not reflect the actual status of each well, as individual well groundwater level data has not been analyzed at this time.

- If the groundwater level of the nearest monitoring well is below (less) than that of the well screen interval depth, the well is classified as “Dry”.

The results of this analysis are described in the following section.

## 1.2 Analysis Results

The results of the analysis are shown in the tables and figure shown below. As shown in Table 1 and Figure 1, out of a total of 250 production wells that were evaluated, a total of nine (4% of the total) may have already gone dry due to the current groundwater level conditions in the basin. Five of these nine wells are domestic wells. An additional nine wells may almost be dry (i.e. within 50 feet of the bottom of their perforations).

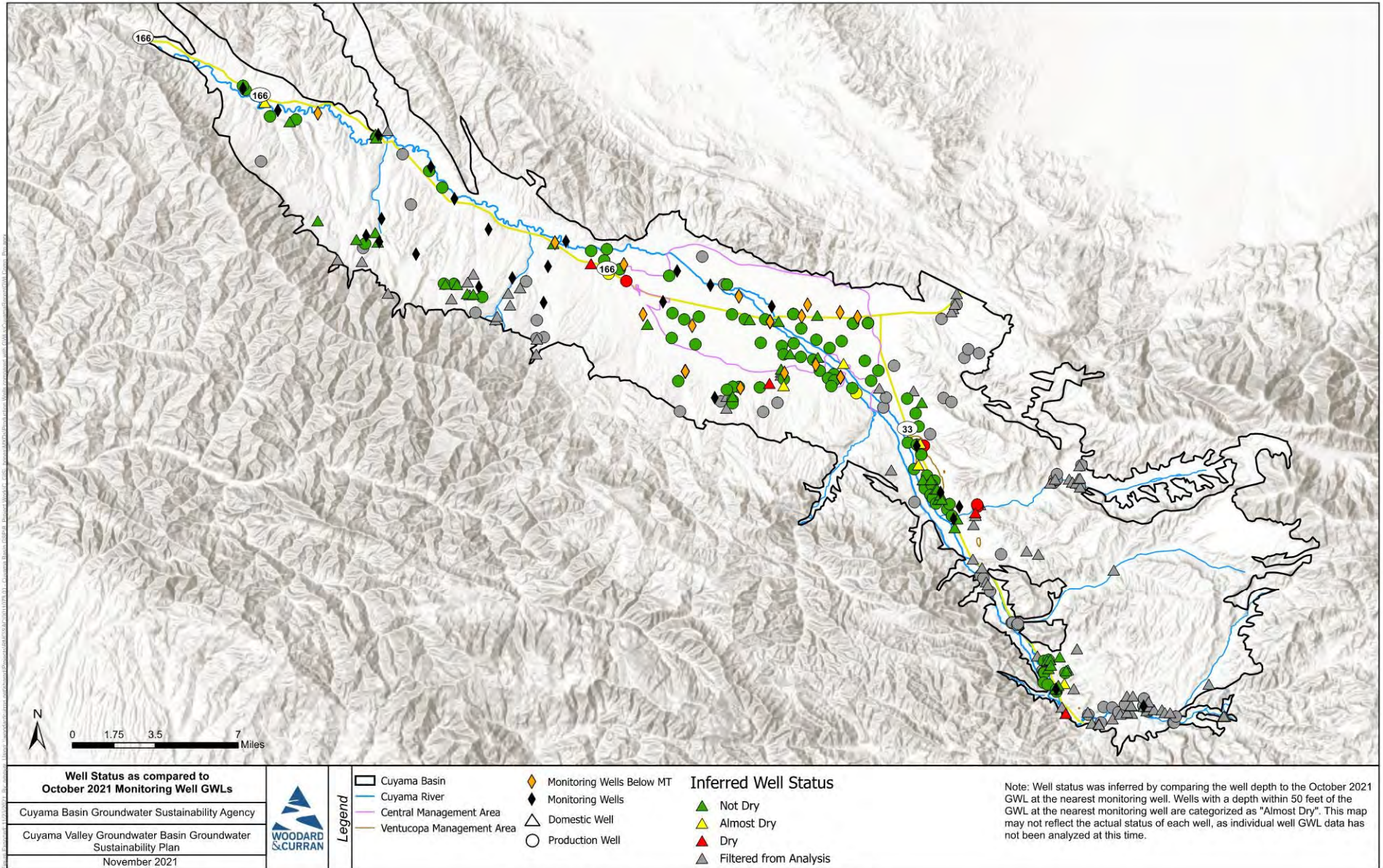
**Table 1. Summary of Domestic and Production Wells Status as of October 2021**

Threshold Region	Total number of wells	Domestic wells that may currently be dry	Total wells that may currently be dry	Percentage of wells that may currently be dry	Total wells that are almost dry
Northwestern	16	0	0	0%	2
Western	40	0	0	0%	0
Central	89	2	4	5%	4
Eastern	39	1	4	10%	2
Southeastern	66	1	1	2%	1
<b>Whole Basin</b>	<b>250</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>4%</b>	<b>9</b>

Tables 2 and 3 below provide detailed information on each well that is potentially dry or almost dry from the County well database and accessor's parcel number (APN) database, respectively.

Detail maps of areas where these wells are located are provided in Figures 2a through 2e.

Figure 1. Status of Production and Domestic Wells as of October 2021



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Table 2. County Well Database Details for Well Status = Dry or Almost Dry (as Compared to October 2021 Monitoring Well GWLs), Cuyama GSP

Inferred Well Status Oct 2021	GIS Label #	Threshold Region	County	County ID <sup>(1)</sup>	Type	Depth (ft bgs)	Perforation Interval (ft bgs)	Lat	Long	Status	Construction Year	Name	Location
Dry	97	Central	Santa Barbara	WP0002729	Production	360		34.962	-119.717	Completed	2018		
	122	Central	Santa Barbara	WP0002310	Production	350		34.955	-119.702	Completed			.5 miles W/O New Cuyama, New Cuyama
	143	Central	Santa Barbara	WP0002229	Domestic	655		34.894	-119.594	Active			
	217	Central	San Luis Obispo	WP1018034	Domestic	260		34.965	-119.728	Completed	1984	Gene Machado	Alisos Canyon Road, Santa Maria
	67	Eastern	Santa Barbara	WP0002284	Production	200		34.857	-119.478	Completed	1978		Hwy 33, Maricopa
	307	Eastern	Ventura	241210	Domestic	225	100 - 200	34.816	-119.439	Active			
	344	Eastern	Ventura	09N24W33J03S	Production	230		34.821	-119.438	Active			
	345	Eastern	Ventura	09N24W33J04S	Production	275		34.820	-119.438	Active			
	300	Southeastern	Ventura	07N24W24A01S	Domestic	45		34.694	-119.370	Unknown			
Almost Dry	16	Central	Santa Barbara	WP0002244	Production	775		34.888	-119.529	Active			Santa Barbara Canyon Rd
	106	Central	Santa Barbara	WP0002073	Production	420		34.959	-119.715	Active			5840 Hwy 166, New Cuyama
	146	Central	Santa Barbara	WP0002226	Domestic	683		34.892	-119.583	Active			
	200	Central	San Luis Obispo	WP1021676	Domestic	700		34.907	-119.539	Completed	1977	Richard M. Fairchild	Hwy 166, Cuyama
	64	Eastern	Santa Barbara	WP0002275	Domestic	200		34.845	-119.482	Active	2014		6 miles S/O Hwy 166, Maricopa
	66	Eastern	Santa Barbara	WP0002279	Domestic	170		34.858	-119.481	Completed			
	211	Northwestern	San Luis Obispo	WP1016068	Domestic	48		35.061	-119.974	Completed	1988	John Rickard	Off of Highway 166, Santa Maria
	213	Northwestern	San Luis Obispo	WP1016069	Domestic	52		35.061	-119.974	Completed	1989	John Rickard	Off of Highway 166, Santa Maria
357	Southeastern	Ventura	715656	Domestic	115	45 - 115	34.712	-119.372	Active				

[1] Record ID, Log No, or SWN, as available.

Table 3. APN Details for Well Status = Dry or Almost Dry (as Compared to October 2021 Monitoring Well GWLs), Cuyama GSP

Inferred Well Status Oct 2021	GIS Label #	Threshold Region	County	APN	APN Name	APN Address	APN Address 2
Dry	97	Central	Santa Barbara	147030024	Sadiq Family Trust 12/21/04	5925 Hwy 166 Cuyama, CA 93212	5304 Star Pine Rd Carpinteria CA 93013
	122	Central	Santa Barbara	149300005	Sunridge Vineyards, LP	441 Vineland Rd Bakersfield CA 93307	[blank]
	143	Central	Santa Barbara	149160027	Lotta Perry A/Theresa	1950 Foothill Rd New Cuyama, CA 93254 0476	PO Box 476 New Cuyama CA 93254
	217	Central	San Luis Obispo	147030060	Caliente Ranch Cuyama, LLC	PO Box 340 San Lucas CA 93954	[blank]
	67	Eastern	Santa Barbara	149220026	Harrington Family Trust	Star Route 1 Box 149b Maricopa CA 93252	[blank]
	307	Eastern	Ventura	0010050165	[blank]	6626 Quatal Canyon Road Ozena	[blank]
	344	Eastern	Ventura	0010050095	[blank]	6789 Quatal Canyon Road Lockwood	[blank]
	345	Eastern	Ventura	0010050155	[blank]	[blank]	[blank]
	300	Southeastern	Ventura	0020100105	[blank]	Ozena	[blank]
Almost Dry	16	Central	Santa Barbara	149170029	Scheinert, Don	PO Box 67 New Cuyama CA 93254	[blank]
	106	Central	Santa Barbara	147030025	Parcel number not found in County database		
	146	Central	Santa Barbara	149160005	Anderson Trust Dated 2/19/98	1910 Foothill Rd Cuyama, CA 93214	2218 Margaret Ct Redondo Beach CA 90278
	200	Central	San Luis Obispo	096211063	Bolthouse Land Company LLC	11601 Bolthouse Dr 200 Bakersfield, CA 93311	[blank]
	64	Eastern	Santa Barbara	149220020	Zannon 2014 Living Trust	PO Box 21957 Santa Barbara CA 93121	[blank]
	66	Eastern	Santa Barbara	149220023	Harrington Family Trust	3770 Hwy 33 Maricopa CA 93252	[blank]
	211	Northwestern	San Luis Obispo	094391010	[blank]	Cuyama Hy	[blank]
	213	Northwestern	San Luis Obispo	094391010	[blank]	Cuyama Hy	[blank]
	357	Southeastern	Ventura	0020080180	[blank]	28510 Maricopa Highway Unincorporated	[blank]

Figure 2a. Southeastern Region Detail Map

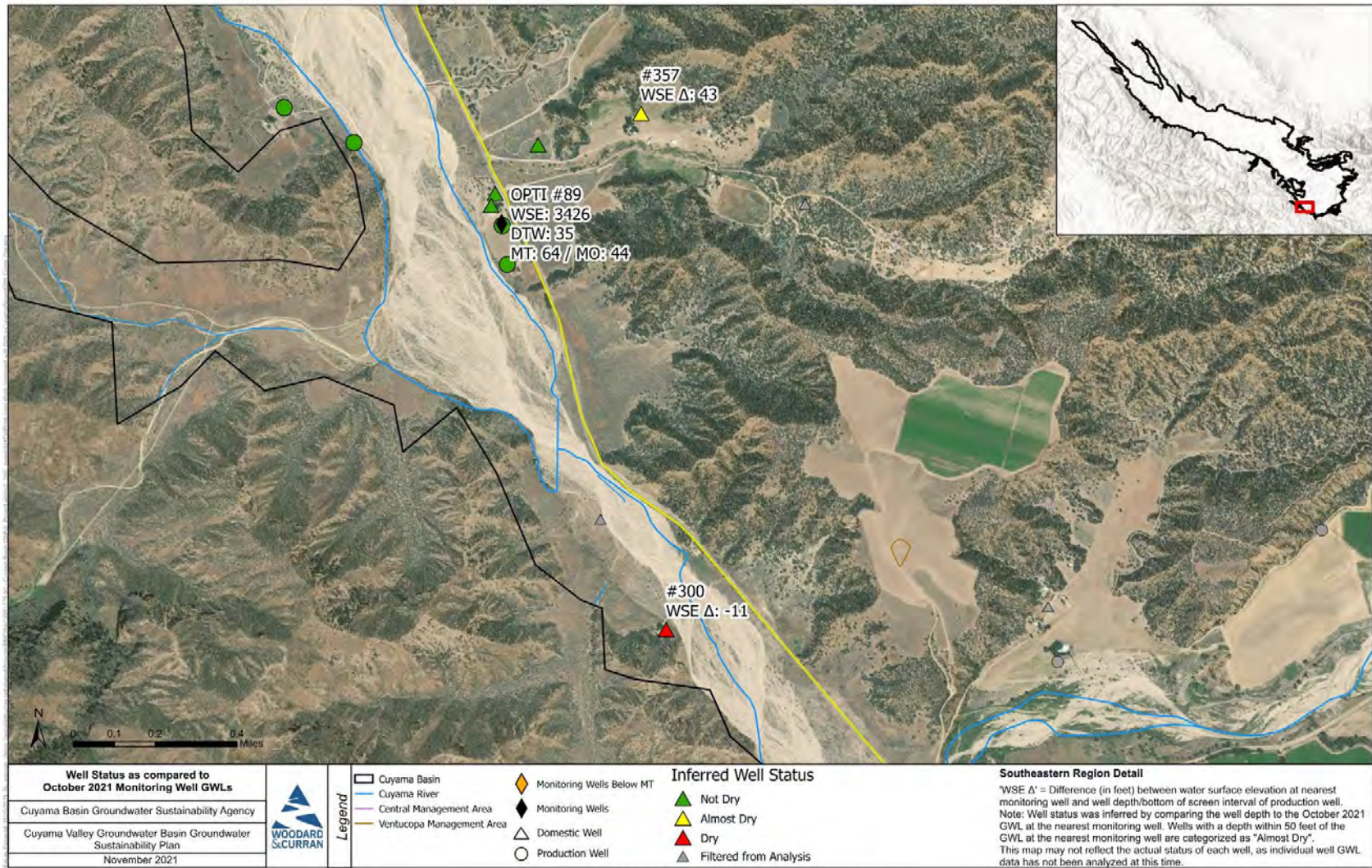


Figure 2b. Eastern Region Detail Map

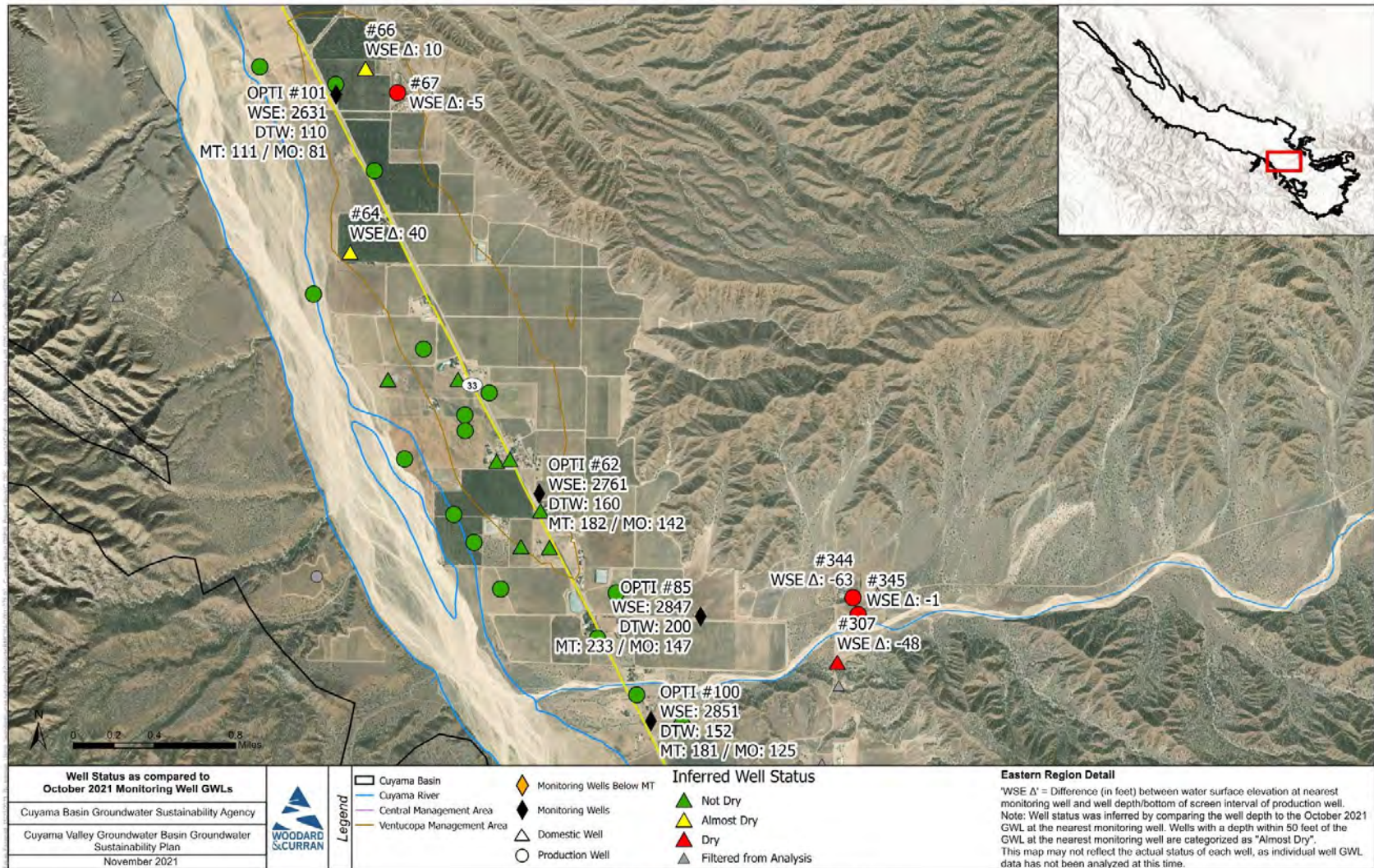
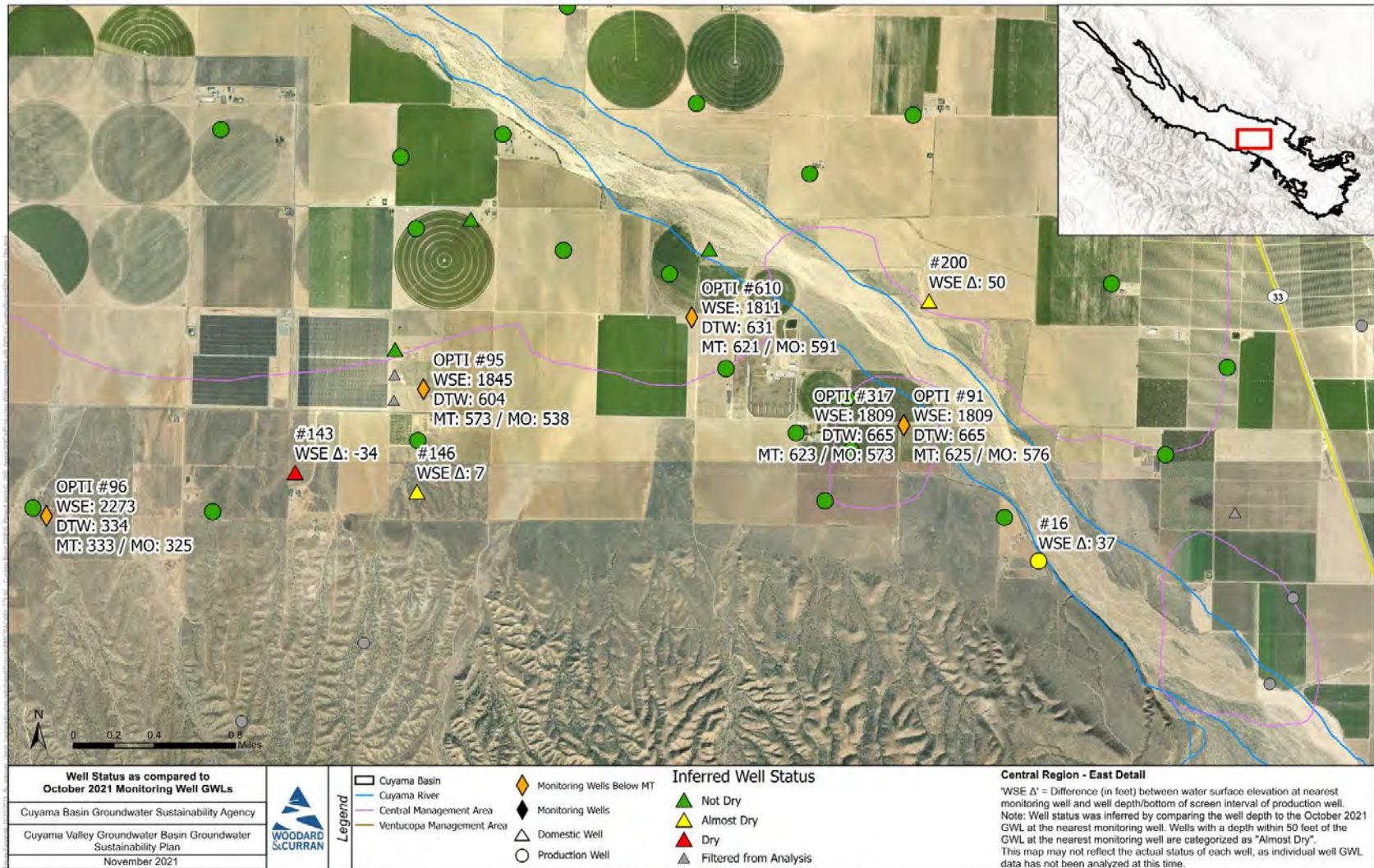


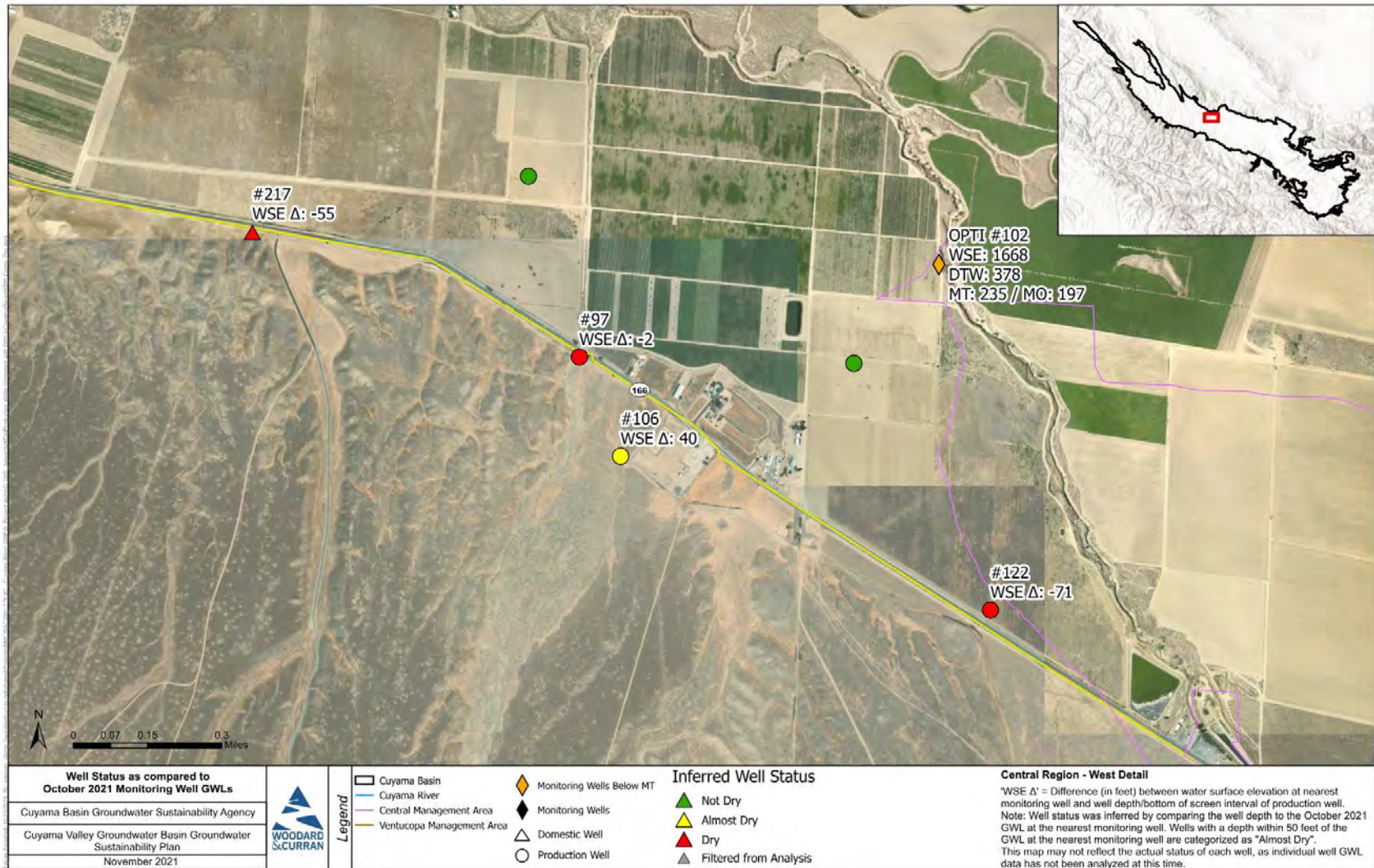
Figure 2c. Central Region - East Detail Map



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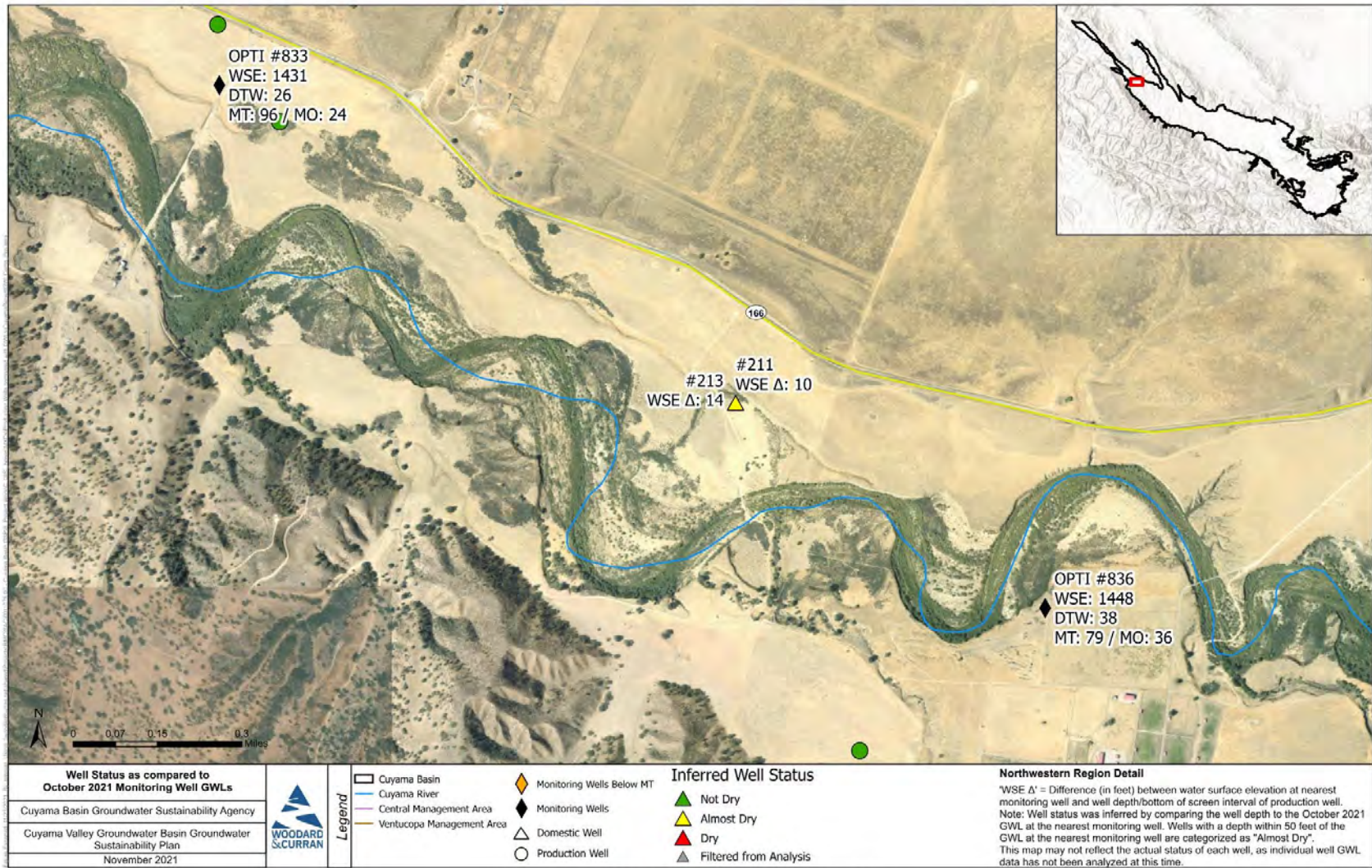


Figure 2d. Central Region - West Detail Map



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Figure 2e. Northwestern Region Detail Map



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TO: Board of Directors  
Agenda Item No. 12

FROM: Jim Beck / Brian Van Lienden

DATE: January 5, 2022

SUBJECT: Direction on Reimbursement for Well Owner Energy Costs related to Aquifer Analysis Program

**Issue**

Direction on Reimbursement for Well Owner Energy Costs related to Aquifer Analysis Program.

**Recommended Motion**

Authorize the Cuyama Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency to reimbursement of well owner energy costs related to aquifer analysis program for an amount not to exceed of \$1,000 per well owner and \$4,000 for the total program.

**Discussion**

On March 3, 2021, the Cuyama Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency (CBGSA) Board of Directors approved a technical memorandum that detailed an update to the numerical model. A component of that technical memo is an aquifer analysis.

Staff is working with an ad hoc of the Board to identify locations for the aquifer tests and discuss other program implementation details.

One of the items raised is a policy issue of whether the CBGSA will reimburse well owners for the energy costs to run those wells for a roughly 24-hour period.

Staff's estimate of the energy cost is between \$500-\$1,000 per well (one-to-two-day period). The aquifer analysis includes four wells; therefore, the potential total reimbursement amount would be between \$2,000 and \$4,000.



TO: Board of Directors  
Agenda Item No. 13

FROM: Jim Beck / Brian Van Lienden

DATE: January 5, 2022

SUBJECT: Direction on Adding New Monitoring Wells

**Issue**

Direction on adding new monitoring wells.

**Recommended Motion**

Direct staff to develop a policy for evaluating the addition of existing landowner wells to the monitoring network.

**Discussion**

Staff was contacted by Grimmway Farms who offered a production well that is now longer being used as a monitoring well. Since most of the groundwater level monitoring wells in the representative network are production wells, staff believes adding dedicated monitoring wells is an improvement to the monitoring network.

Staff is seeking Board direction on the policy that may be required to assess future offers from landowners to add wells to the monitoring network.

An option for developing a policy could include an evaluation of the following items by an ad hoc prior to being presented to the Board:

- Determine if the well location addresses a data gap
- Evaluate suitability of well (depth, construction information, etc.)
- Evaluate the incremental costs for monitoring this well
- Determine the type of monitoring to occur (groundwater levels and/or water quality)
- Determine if the well would be added to the representative network or considered as a supplemental well
- Other considerations

The location of the well offered by Grimmway Farms is shown below as a red dot. The surrounding blue dots are representative wells in the current groundwater levels monitoring network.

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### Location of Potential New Monitoring Well





TO: Board of Directors  
Agenda Item No. 14

FROM: Jim Beck / Joe Hughes

DATE: January 5, 2022

SUBJECT: Direction on Potential Non-Compliance with Meter Requirement

**Issue**

Direction on potential non-compliance with meter requirement.

**Recommended Motion**

Adopt a policy to address potential non-compliance with meter requirement.

**Discussion**

**Update on Meter Installation Reporting**

On March 3, 2021, the Cuyama Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency (CBGSA) completed discussions on the requirement to install meters and implement the requirement that meters be installed on wells for water users using more than 25 acre-feet per year. The installation deadline set by the Board is December 31, 2021, and Attachment 1 summarizes the known pumpers who have complied with this requirement.

**Discussion on Potential Non-Compliance with Meter Requirement**

The December 31, 2021, meter deadline was set so that groundwater use in 2022 would be tracked and reported via meters to be used in the development of the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 groundwater extraction fee. Meters will also provide equitable reporting for large water users for use in the model calculation and tracking of potential new overdraft areas that may be subject to management area criteria.

If water users do not have a meter installed by December 31, 2021:

- The water user must estimate water use until a meter is installed.
- There will be an additional administrative burden to track usage and reconcile the two methodologies (crop factors vs metered use).

To facilitate compliance with the meter requirement, staff has identified potential Board options to address non-compliance:

Potential Non-Compliance Policy

1. Determine and document reason for non-compliance with water user;
2. Develop compliance timeline with water user;
3. Require non-metered water use in 2022 to be reported using crop factor forms that convert water use to a gross calculation;
4. Consider assessing the following penalty fees for non-complying water users:
  - a. Reimburse the CBGSA for the administrative cost of administering this non-compliance program
  - b. Penalty fee options:
    - i. One-time fee (up to \$1,000); and
    - ii. Monthly fee thereafter (up to \$100 per month), with or without a monthly escalator); and
5. Exercise additional remedies available to the CBGSA

## Cuyama Basin Pumper Meter Compliance

Landowner	2020 AF	Meter Compliance
1	10,454.70	✓
2	8,267.22	✓
3	1,544.00	
4	1,180.69	
5	1,075.00	
6	878.47	
7	832.70	
8	757.54	
9	551.41	
10	514.37	
11	446.40	
12	391.50	
13	358.80	✓
14	328.90	
15	318.65	✓
16	264.00	✓
17	174.25	
18	135.00	✓
19	104.65	✓
20	98.71	
21	22.41	
22	18.63	
23	10.22	
24	4.90	
25	4.31	
26	3.00	
27	2.00	
28	1.53	
29	DM	
30	DM	
<b>Total</b>	<b>28,743.96</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>Compliance Rate</b>		<b>35%</b>





TO: Board of Directors  
Agenda Item No. 15

FROM: Taylor Blakslee / Brian Van Lienden

DATE: January 5, 2022

SUBJECT: Approve DWR 2022 Grant Application Projects

**Issue**

Approval of projects for Sustainable Groundwater Management 2022 grant application.

**Recommended Motion**

Approve the grant application list as outlined in agenda item No. 15.

**Discussion**

The Budget Act of 2021 authorized money for Sustainable Groundwater Management Act planning and implementation projects. The California Department of Water Resources (DWR) administers the Sustainable Groundwater Management grant, and the final proposal solicitation package was released on December 17, 2021. The grant provides up to \$7.6 million per basin and requires a spending plan that totals a minimum of \$10 million worth of projects. The application is due February 18, 2022.

Staff developed a draft project list with the Grant Review Committee ad hoc and is provided as Attachment 1 for consideration of approval.

**DRAFT**

## Preliminary SGM COD Basin Grant Proposal Components

Component	Cost (\$k)	Notes
<b>1 Grant Administration</b>	\$300	Perform reporting to DWR required by Grant (assume \$100k per year)
<b>2 Perform Monitoring and Monitoring Network Enhancements</b>		
3 Install Piezometers for GW-SW and GDE Monitoring	\$210	Install 6 piezometers for GDE & GW/SW monitoring (assume \$35k each)
4 Install Dedicated Monitoring Wells	\$2,415	Install seven new multi-completion wells. (assume \$345k per well)
5 Data Management System maint & enhancements	\$75	\$10k per year annual maint.; \$45k in improvements (develop sustainability displays and annual report module)
6 Quarterly GW levels and annual GW quality (TDS) monitoring	\$240	Perform GSP-required monitoring (\$80k per year for 3 years)
7 Perform one-time nitrate and arsenic testing	\$25	Perform one-time testing at each water quality well
8 USGS stream gage maintenance	\$165	CBGSA fee to USGS for recently installed gauges (\$55k per year for 3 years)
<b>9 Improve Understanding of Basin Water Use</b>		
10 Perform updated land use survey	\$30	Develop satellite-based land use for 2021 (one time cost)
11 Perform river channel survey	\$45	Field survey of river channel cross-sections (assume 8 locations)
12 Enhance existing CIMIS station & implement new stations	\$80	Improve existing CIMIS station and install five new weather stations (\$12k per station and \$8k for coordination)
<b>13 Project &amp; Management Action Implementation</b>		
14 CBWRM model update and re-calibration	\$210	Perform model update and re-calibration in advance of GSP 5-year update
15 Incorporate AEM data into model update	\$80	Incorporate data from DWR AEM survey as part of model update above
16 Pumping allocation implementation	\$200	Develop water allocation framework & set up data management process for pumping allocation action
17 Analysis of management action implementation options	\$240	Simulation of up to five water management action alternatives
18 Adaptive management support	\$150	Assume \$50k per year for coordination and technical support
19 Precipitation enhancement feasibility study	\$30	Feasibility analysis to assess this approved project in the GSP
20 Flood and Stormwater Capture - water rights analysis	\$55	Water availability and water rights analysis for stormwater capture
<b>21 GSP Implementation, Outreach, and CBGSA Management</b>		
22 CBGSA administration and legal support	\$1,350	Overall GSA management, coordination and legal services (\$450k per year for 3 years)
23 Administration of extraction fee	\$75	Tracking of pumping amounts and ongoing administration costs (assume \$25k per year)
24 Stakeholder & board engagement	\$345	Support for SAC/Board, public workshops, ad-hocs & tech forum (\$110k in first 2 years; \$125k in year of GSP update)
25 General outreach support	\$70	General outreach support & CBGSA website maintenance (\$20k in first 2 years; \$30k in year of GSP update)
26 Outreach - domestic well owners	\$15	Targeted outreach to domestic well owners, including public workshop
27 Program management	\$160	Oversight, coordination and tracking of GSP implementation tasks (\$50k in first 2 years; \$60k in year of GSP update)
28 Prepare annual reports	\$135	Prepare annual report required by DWR (assume \$45k per year for 3 years)
29 Modify GSP in response to DWR determination	\$100	Assume \$100k for coordination and technical support, following receipt of DWR letter in Jan 2021
30 5-year GSP update	\$800	Develop updated version of GSP for submittal to DWR in Jan 2025
31 <i>Subtotal</i>	\$7,600	
<b>32 Phase 2 Tasks</b>		
33 Flood and Stormwater Capture - detailed feasibility study	\$1,100	Flood and stormwater capture detailed feasibility study
34 Install Dedicated Monitoring Wells in lower priority areas	\$1,380	Install 4 new multi-completion wells (in addition to 7 budgeted above). (assume \$345k per well)
35 <i>Total</i>	\$10,080	



TO: Board of Directors  
Agenda Item No. 16

FROM: Taylor Blakslee, Hallmark Group

DATE: January 5, 2022

SUBJECT: Adopt Resolution No. 2022-01 Designating the CBGSA Board Chairperson as the Authorized Representative to File an Application and Execute an Agreement with the California Department of Water Resources for the SGMA Implementation Grant

**Issue**

Designate the CBGSA Board Chairperson file a grant application and execute an agreement with the California Department of Water Resources.

**Recommended Motion**

Adopt Resolution No. 2022-01 Designating the CBGSA Board Chairperson as the Authorized Representative to File an Application and Execute an Agreement with the California Department of Water Resources for the SGMA Implementation Grant.

**Discussion**

Per requirements of the Sustainable Groundwater Management Grant Program SGMA Implementation Proposal Solicitation Package a Board resolution is required authorizing the chairperson to execute and file an application on behalf of the Cuyama Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency. The draft resolution is provided as Attachment 1 for consideration of approval.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2022-01**

Resolved by the Cuyama Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency, that an application be made to the California Department of Water Resources to obtain a grant under the 2021 Sustainable Groundwater Management (SGM) Grant Program SGMA Implementation Round 1 Grant pursuant to the California Drought, Water, Parks, Climate, Coastal Protection, and Outdoor Access For All Act of 2018 (Proposition 68) (Pub. Resource Code, § 80000 et seq.) and the California Budget Act of 2021 (Stats. 2021, ch. 240, § 80) and to enter into an agreement to receive a grant for the projects in the Cuyama Basin Groundwater Sustainability Spending Plan. The Chairperson of the Cuyama Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency, or designee, is hereby authorized and directed to prepare the necessary data, conduct investigations, file such application, and execute a grant agreement and any future amendments (if required), submit invoices, and submit any reporting requirements with the California Department of Water Resources. Passed and adopted at a meeting of the Cuyama Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency on January 5, 2022.

Authorized Original Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Title: \_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk/Secretary: \_\_\_\_\_

**CERTIFICATION**

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of a resolution duly and regularly adopted at a meeting of the Cuyama Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency held on January 5, 2022.

**Clerk/Secretary:** \_\_\_\_\_



TO: Board of Directors  
Agenda Item No. 17a

FROM: Jim Beck, Executive Director

DATE: January 5, 2022

SUBJECT: Report of the Executive Director

**Issue**

Report of the Executive Director.

**Recommended Motion**

None – information only.

**Discussion**

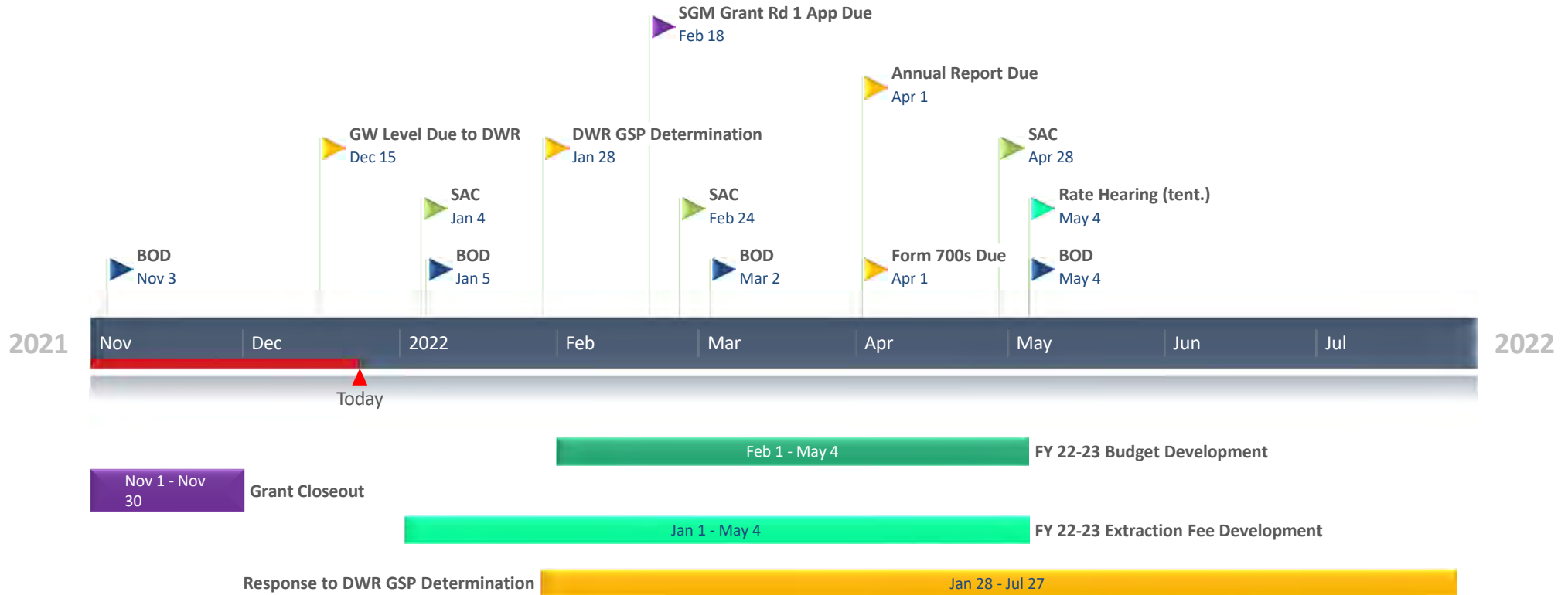
Progress and next steps for the Hallmark Group are provided as Attachment 1 for October and November 2022. An overview of consultant budget-to-actuals is provided as Attachment 2.

# Cuyama Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency

## Progress & Next Steps

January 5, 2022

# Cuyama Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency Near-Term Schedule



# Oct-Nov 2021 Accomplishments & Next Steps

## Accomplishments

- ✓ Ongoing administration of the CBGSA
- ✓ Prepared and facilitated a SAC meeting on October 28, 2021, and a Board meeting on November 3, 2021
- ✓ Set and calendared 2022 SAC and Board meeting dates
- ✓ Coordinated well permitting process with San Luis Obispo and Ventura counties
- ✓ Facilitated request for detailed Management Area map
- ✓ Coordinated with Provost & Pritchard on monitoring network survey
- ✓ Participated in Groundswell meeting with Santa Barbara County staff and CBWD Manager
- ✓ Facilitated model issues call with technical group
- ✓ Reviewed and reported on Open ET release
- ✓ Develop audit documentation
- ✓ Discussed upcoming grant with DWR Administrator Kelly List
- ✓ Drafted and submitted grant support letter
- ✓ Coordinated with DWR on water quality submittal requirement
- ✓ Facilitated Adaptive Management Ad hoc
- ✓ Facilitated Management Area Policy Ad hoc
- ✓ Updated Cuyama Basin website
- ✓ Reviewed grant completion reports
- ✓ Reviewed grant development list
- ✓ Facilitated Aquifer Analysis Ad hoc
- ✓ Coordinated with DWR on TSS program and transducer request
- ✓ Distributed information on small pumper reporting and meter guidance documents
- ✓ Finalized new landowner information sheet
- ✓ Submitted Cuyama technical memo responding to DWR GSP consultation letter
- ✓ Discussed Management Area policy development strategy with legal counsel

## Next Steps

- Facilitate Management Area Policy development with an ad hoc
- Manage meter implementation requirement





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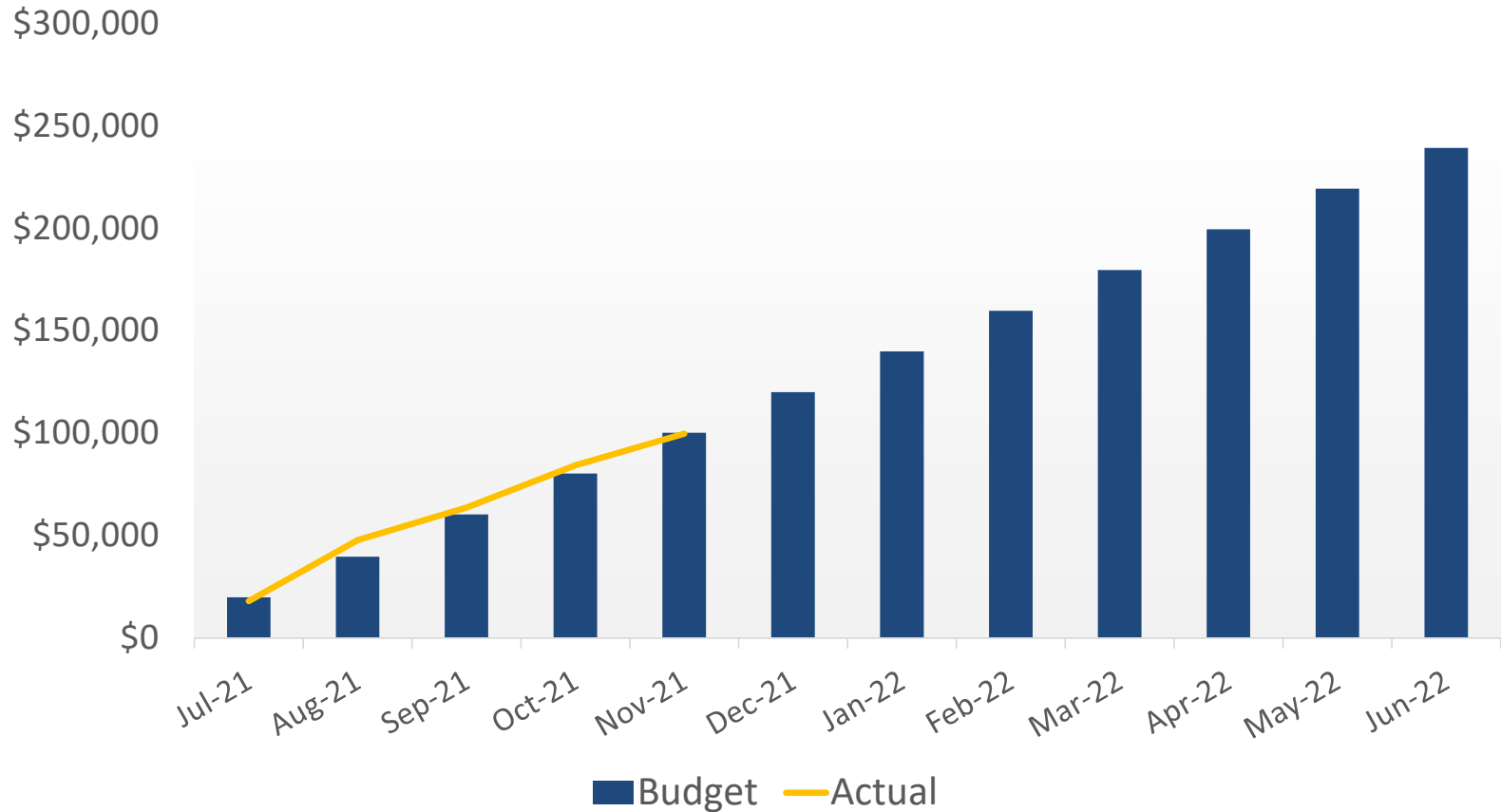
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# CBGSA OUTSTANDING INVOICES

Task	Invoiced Through	Cumulative Total
Legal Counsel (Klein)	11/30/2021	\$5,079
Executive Director (HG)	11/30/2021	\$36,064
Technical Consultant (W&C)	11/30/2021	\$80,248
Daniells Phillips Vaughan & Bock	11/30/2021	\$1,400
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$122,791</b>

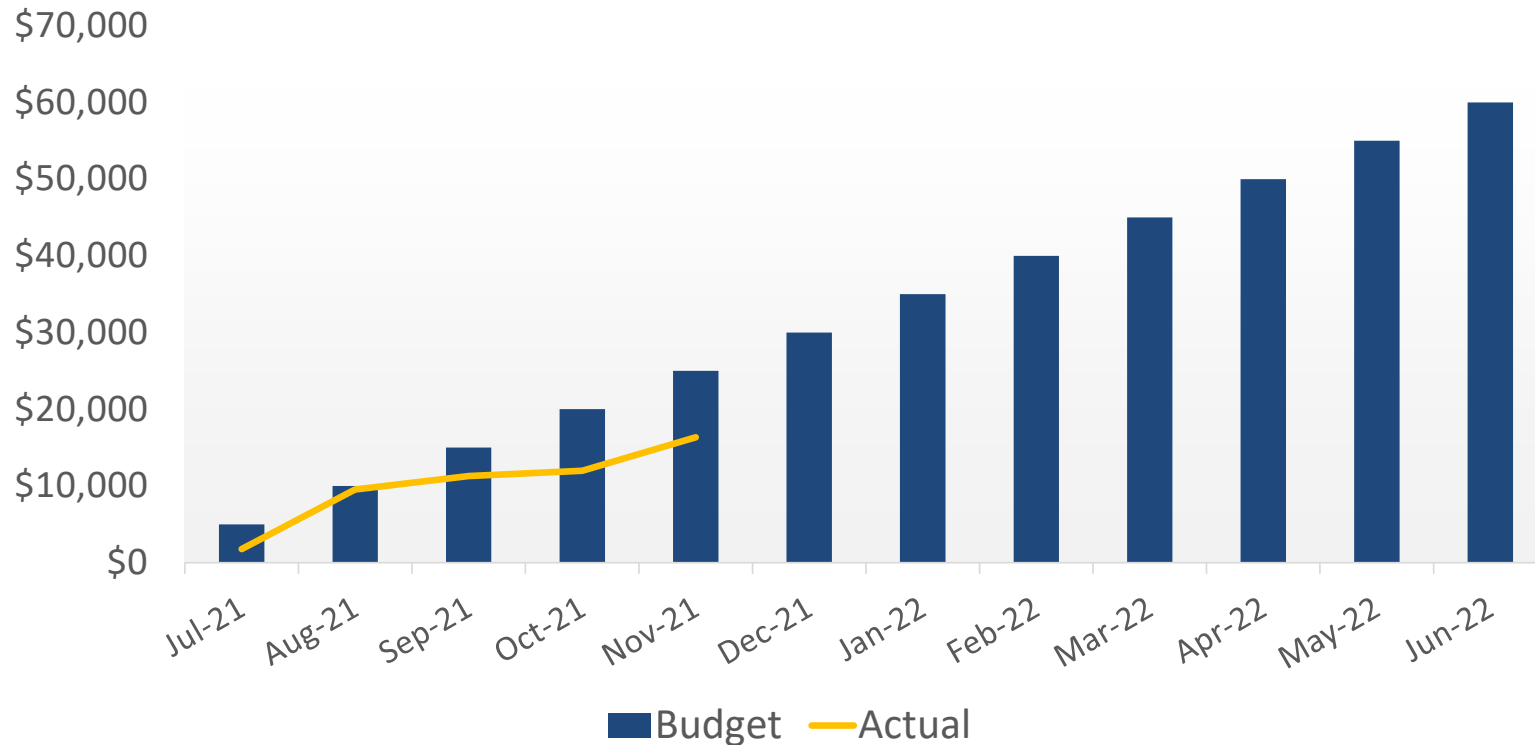
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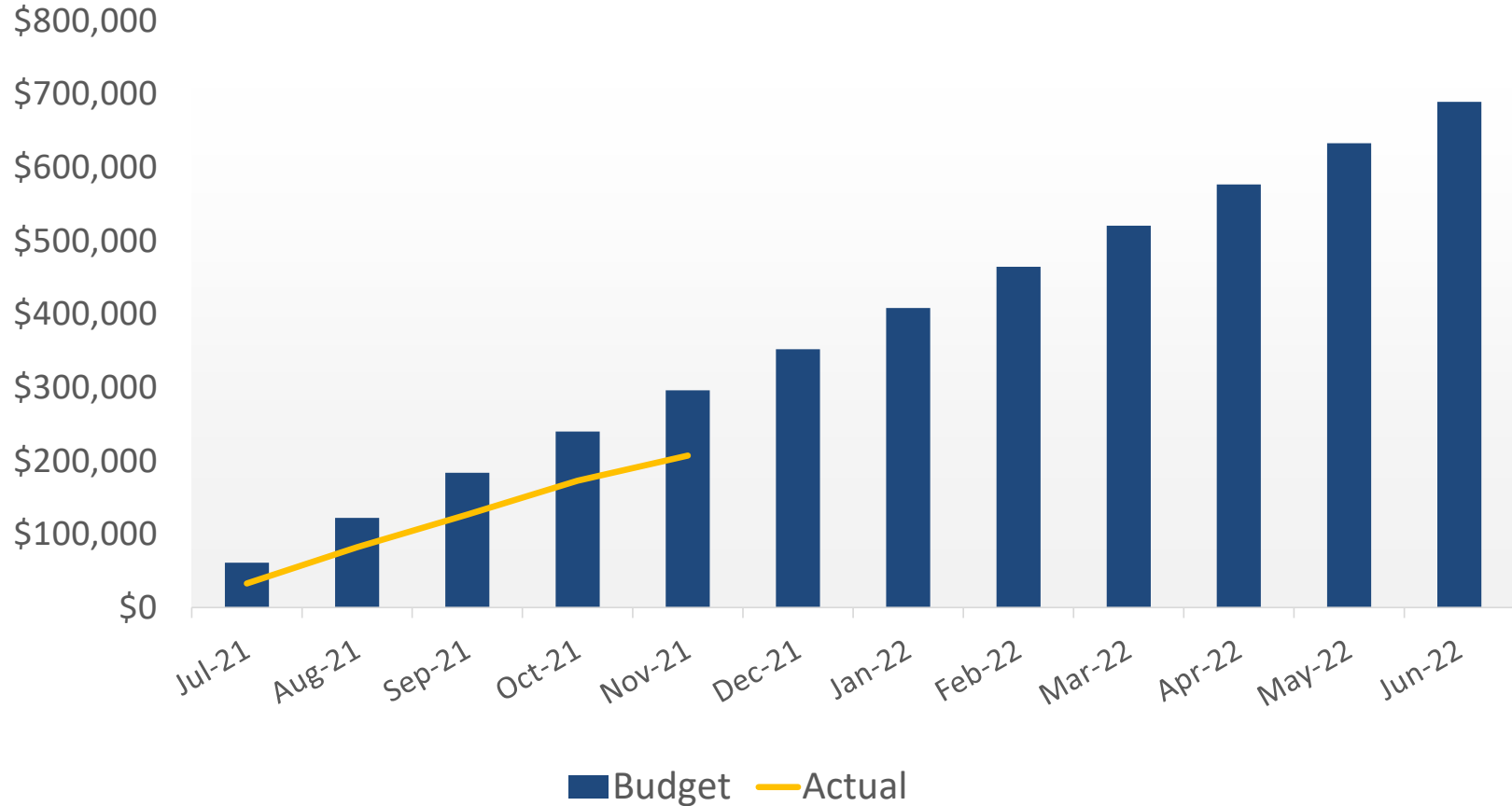
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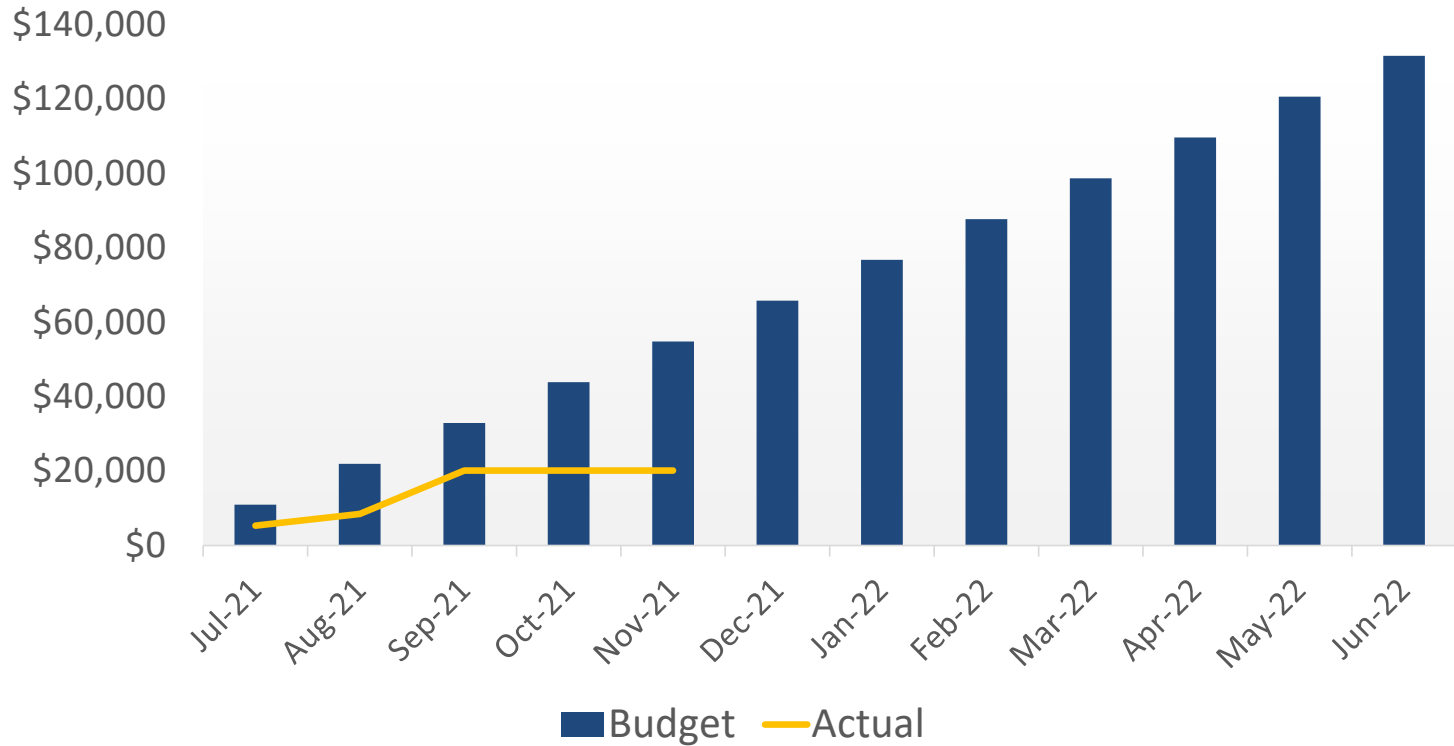
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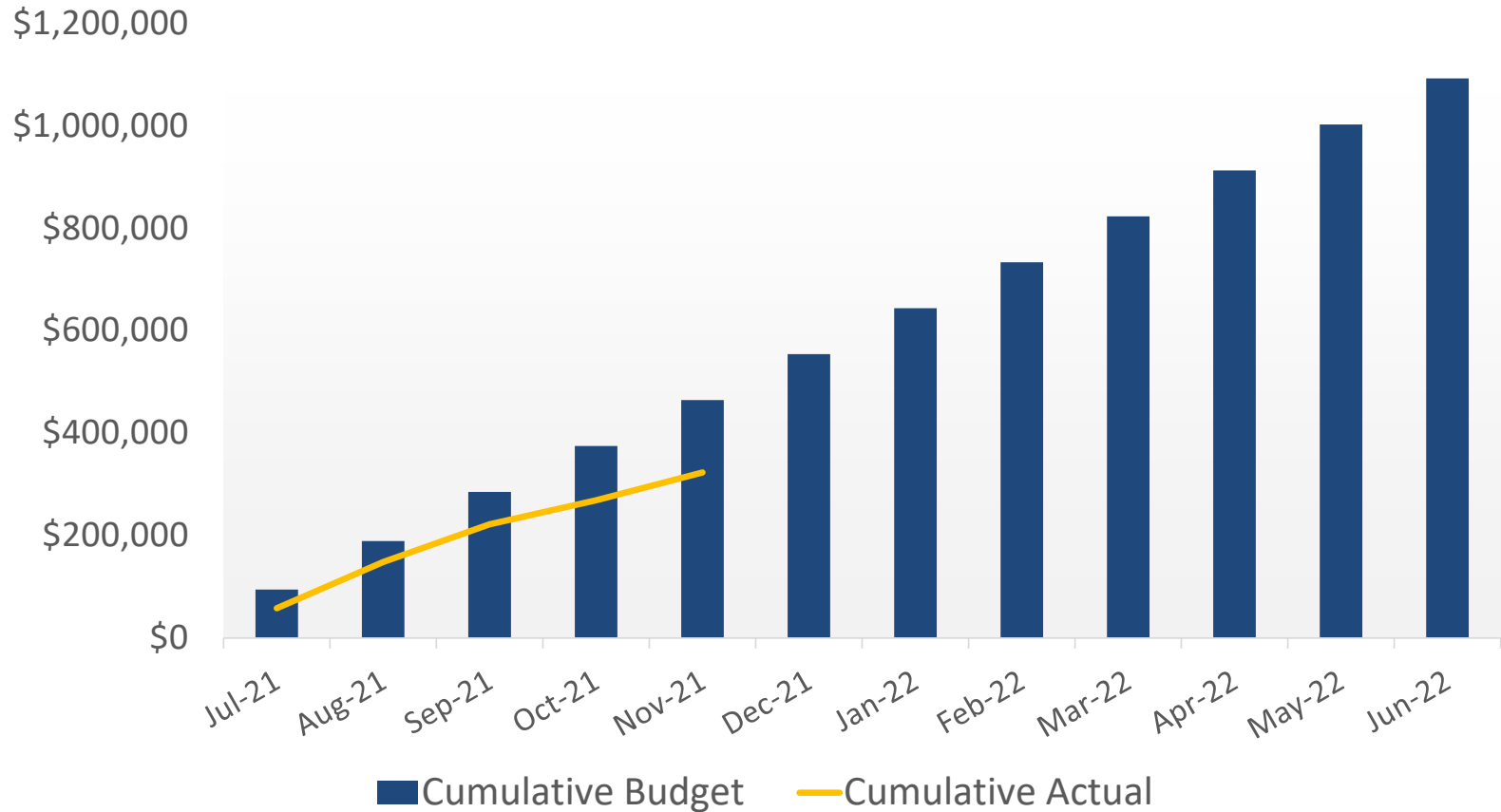


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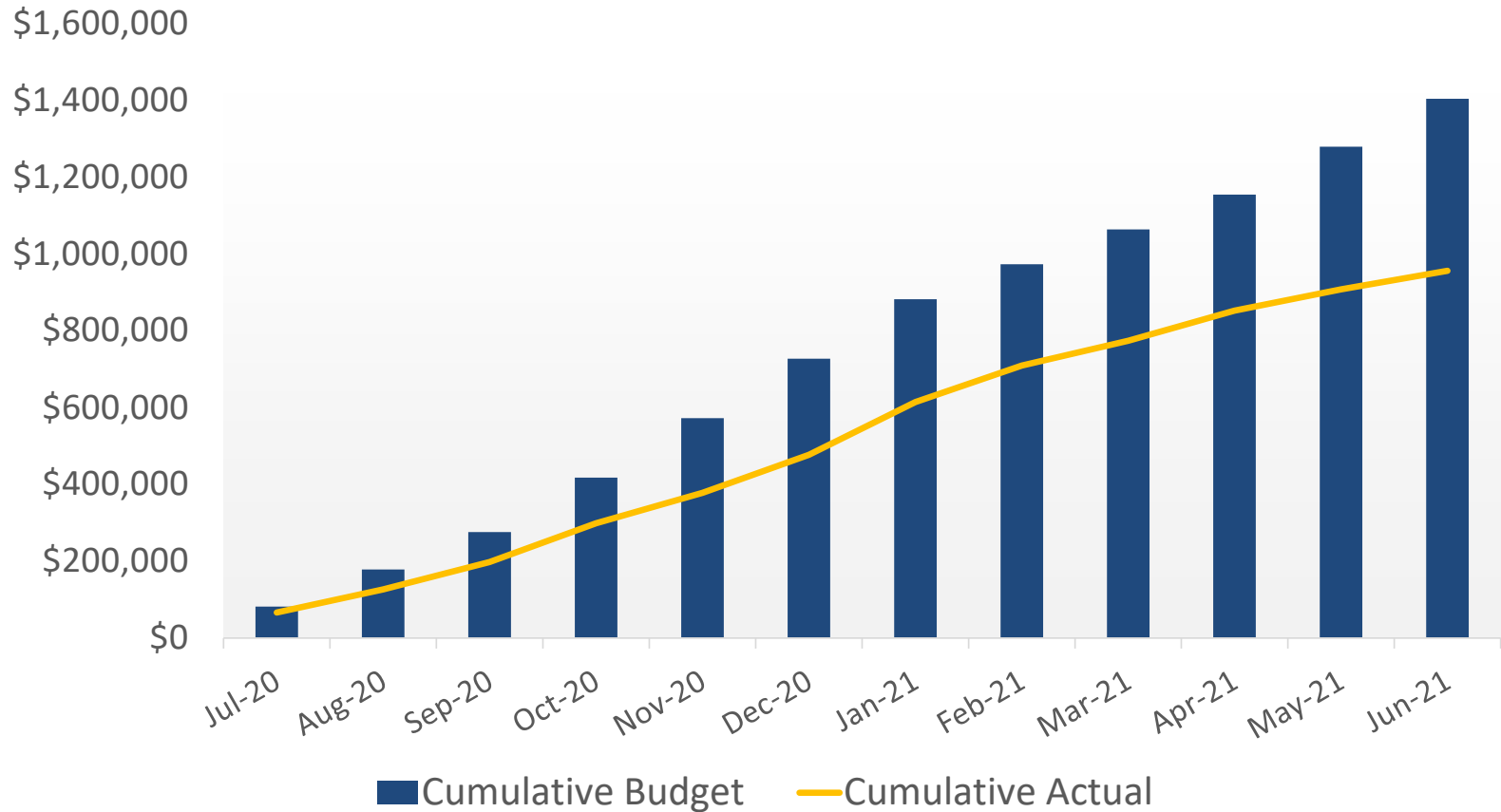
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# CBGSA FY 21-22 – Budget-to-Actuals



# CBGSA FY 20-21 – Budget-to-Actuals







TO: Board of Directors  
Agenda Item No. 17c

FROM: Taylor Blakslee

DATE: January 5, 2022

SUBJECT: Report on the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Audit

**Issue**

Report on the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 audit.

**Recommended Motion**

None – informational only.

**Discussion**

Daniells Phillips Vaughan & Bock have been retained to perform the audit for Fiscal Year 2020-2021. Their audit report is provided as Attachment 1.



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**June 30, 2021**

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## **CUYAMA BASIN GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY**

### **ORGANIZATION DATA**

**June 30, 2021**

#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

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## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Directors  
**Cuyama Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency**  
Bakersfield, California

### Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of **Cuyama Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency** (Agency) as of and for the years ended June 30, 2021 and 2020 and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Agency's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

### Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

### Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits. We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audits to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

### **Opinion**

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of **Cuyama Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency** as of June 30, 2021 and 2020, and the respective changes in financial position and cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

### **Other Matters**

#### *Required Supplementary Information*

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis on pages 3-4 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

### **Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards**

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated December 15, 2021 on our consideration of **Cuyama Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency's** internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards in considering **Cuyama Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency's** internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

*Daniells Phillips Vaughan & Bock*

Bakersfield, California  
December 15, 2021

## **CUYAMA BASIN GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY**

### **MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS**

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As the Board of Directors of the **Cuyama Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency**, we offer readers of the Agency's financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the Agency's performance during the fiscal years ended June 30, 2021 and 2020. Please read it in conjunction with the Agency's financial statements, which will follow this section.

#### **Agency Formation and Organization**

**Cuyama Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency** (the "Agency") is a joint powers authority established on June 6, 2017 in accordance with Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA). SGMA requires that a Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) be adopted for the 21 basins and subbasins identified by the Department of Water Resources as "critically overdrafted," of which, the Agency is one. The purpose of the GSP is to achieve sustainability in the basin by the year 2040. The Agency was responsible for developing and initiating the implementation of a GSP by January 31, 2020. Funding for projects is obtained through State grants utilizing State bond funds and potential matching funds from local government agencies.

#### **Using This Annual Report**

This annual report includes this management's discussion and analysis report, the independent auditor's report and the basic financial statements of the Agency. The basic financial statements consist of a series of financial statements. The statement of net position, the statement of revenues, expenses and changes in net position and the statement of cash flows provide information about the activities of the Agency. The basic financial statements also include various footnote disclosures, which further describe Agency activities.

#### **Required Financial Statements**

The financial statements of the Agency report information of the Agency using accounting methods similar to those used by private sector companies. These statements offer short and long-term financial information about its activities. The statement of net position includes all of the Agency's assets and liabilities and provides information about the nature and amounts of investments in resources (assets) and the obligations to Agency creditors (liabilities). It also provides the basis for evaluating the capital structure of the Agency and assessing the liquidity and financial flexibility of the Agency.

All of the year's revenues and expenses are accounted for in the statement of revenues, expenses and changes in net position. This statement measures the success of the Agency's operations over the past year and can be used to determine whether the Agency has successfully recovered all its costs through its user fees and other charges, profitability and credit worthiness.

The final required financial statement is the statement of cash flows. This statement reports cash resulting from operations, investing, and financing activities and provides answers to such questions as where did cash come from, what was cash used for, and what was the change in cash balance during the reporting period.

#### **Financial Highlights**

- A large portion of the Agency's assets is cash of approximately \$1,209,000.
- The Agency's operating revenue in 2021 was approximately \$1,462,000, which consists of grant revenue and groundwater extraction fees.
- The Agency's operating expenses in 2021 were approximately \$1,335,000, primarily consisting of consulting expenses and refunds of prior year landowner assessments.



## CUYAMA BASIN GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY

### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

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#### 2021 and 2020 Condensed Financial Statements

	2021	2020
Current assets	\$ 1,578,890	\$ 810,788
Current liabilities	\$ 815,459	\$ 174,683
Net position	\$ 763,431	\$ 636,105
Operating revenues	\$ 1,462,109	\$ 871,848
Operating expenses	1,334,783	754,667
Change in net position	\$ 127,326	\$ 117,181

#### Contacting the Agency's Financial Management

This financial report is designed to provide the Board of Directors and the Agency's stakeholders with a general overview of the Agency's accountability for the assets it receives and manages.

If you have questions about this report or need additional information, please contact Taylor Blakslee, Project Manager, at 4900 California Ave, Tower B, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Bakersfield, California 93309.

## CUYAMA BASIN GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY

### STATEMENTS OF NET POSITION June 30, 2021 and 2020

	2021	2020
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Current Assets		
Cash (Note 2)	\$ 1,209,238	\$ 372,285
Accounts receivable	369,652	438,503
<b>Total current assets</b>	<b>\$ 1,578,890</b>	<b>\$ 810,788</b>
<b>LIABILITIES AND NET POSITION</b>		
Current Liabilities		
Accounts payable	\$ 183,964	\$ 174,683
Deferred revenue	631,495	-
<b>Total current liabilities</b>	<b>815,459</b>	<b>174,683</b>
Net Position - Unrestricted	763,431	636,105
<b>Total liabilities and net position</b>	<b>\$ 1,578,890</b>	<b>\$ 810,788</b>

See Notes to Financial Statements.

## CUYAMA BASIN GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY

### STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION

Years Ended June 30, 2021 and 2020

	2021	2020
Operating revenues		
Groundwater extraction fees	\$ 1,123,954	\$ 581,445
Grants	338,155	290,403
<b>Total operating revenues</b>	<b>1,462,109</b>	<b>871,848</b>
Operating expenses		
Program	694,562	486,555
Refunded assessments	357,809	-
General and administration	282,412	268,112
<b>Total operating expenses</b>	<b>1,334,783</b>	<b>754,667</b>
<b>Change in net position</b>	<b>127,326</b>	<b>117,181</b>
Net position, beginning	636,105	518,924
Net position, ending	<b>\$ 763,431</b>	<b>\$ 636,105</b>

See Notes to Financial Statements.

## CUYAMA BASIN GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY

### STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS Years Ended June 30, 2021 and 2020

	2021	2020
<b>Cash Flows From Operating Activities</b>		
Receipts from grants	\$ 1,858,116	\$ 1,780,217
Receipts from landowners	304,339	579,267
Payments for program expenses	(702,110)	(1,613,377)
Payments for administration services	(265,583)	(402,217)
Payments for refunded assessments	(357,809)	-
<b>Net cash provided by operating activities</b>	<b>836,953</b>	<b>343,890</b>
Cash:		
Beginning	372,285	28,395
Ending	<u>\$ 1,209,238</u>	<u>\$ 372,285</u>
<b>Reconciliation of operating income to net cash provided by operating activities</b>		
Operating income	\$ 127,326	\$ 117,181
Adjustments to reconcile operating income to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Changes in working capital components:		
Decrease in:		
Accounts receivable	68,851	1,487,636
Increase (decrease) in:		
Accounts payable	9,281	(1,260,927)
Deferred revenue	631,495	-
<b>Net cash provided by operating activities</b>	<b>\$ 836,953</b>	<b>\$ 343,890</b>

See Notes to Financial Statements.

## CUYAMA BASIN GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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#### Note 1. Nature of Agency and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

*Nature of activities:* Cuyama Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency (the "Agency") is a joint powers Authority established on June 6, 2017 in accordance with Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA). SGMA requires that a Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) be adopted for the 21 basins and subbasins identified by the Department of Water Resources (DWR) as "critically overdrafted," of which, the Agency is one. The purpose of the GSP is to achieve sustainability in the basin by the year 2040. The Agency is responsible for developing a GSP and implementing that GSP over the next 20 years.

A summary of the Agency's significant accounting policies follows:

*Reporting entity:* The Agency has no oversight responsibility for any other governmental entity, nor is the Agency's operation a component unit of any other governmental entity. Therefore, the reporting entity consists only of Agency operations.

The Agency operates as an enterprise fund. An enterprise fund accounts for operations that are financed and operated similarly to private business enterprises.

*Use of estimates:* The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

*Basis of accounting:* The accompanying financial statements have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting. Under the accrual basis, revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recognized when incurred.

Enterprise funds have the option of consistently following or not following pronouncements issued by the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) subsequent to November 30, 1989. The Agency has elected not to follow FASB standards issued after that date, unless such standards are specifically adopted by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB).

*Global pandemic:* On January 30, 2020, the World Health Organization declared the coronavirus outbreak a "Public Health Emergency of International Concern" and on March 10, 2020, declared it to be a pandemic. Actions taken around the world to help mitigate the spread of the coronavirus include restrictions on travel, and quarantines in certain areas, and forced closures for certain types of public places and businesses. The coronavirus and actions taken to mitigate it have had and are expected to continue to have an adverse impact on the economies and financial markets of many countries, including the geographical area in which the Agency operates. While it is unknown how long these conditions will last and what the complete financial effect will be to the Agency, to date, the Agency has not experienced any negative impacts that would foreseeably result in grant or revenue declines, supply shortages, or discontinued operations.

*Cash:* The Agency maintains its cash in a bank deposit account, which, at times may exceed federally insured limits. The Agency has not experienced any losses in such account. The Agency believes it is not exposed to any significant credit risk on cash.

*Accounts receivable:* Accounts receivable represents amounts due from participants, landowners and the California Department of Water Resources. The Agency considers accounts receivable to be fully collectible; accordingly, no allowance for doubtful accounts is required.

## CUYAMA BASIN GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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Deferred revenue: Deferred revenue consist of groundwater extraction fees for the next fiscal year received before year end.

*Net position:* The basic financial statements utilize a net position presentation. Net position is categorized as unrestricted.

- *Unrestricted Net Position* - This category represents the net position of the Agency, not restricted for any project or other purpose.

*Subsequent events:* The Agency has evaluated subsequent events through December 15, 2021, the date on which the financial statements were available to be issued. There were no subsequent events identified by management which would require disclosure in the financial statements.

#### Note 2. Cash

Cash held by the Agency consists of cash in a general checking account.

#### Custodial Credit Risk

Custodial credit risk for *deposits* is the risk that, in the event of the failure of a depository financial institution, a government will not be able to recover its deposits or will not be able to recover collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The California Government Code does not contain legal or policy requirements that would limit the exposure to custodial credit risk for deposits other than the following provision for deposits: The California Government Code requires that a financial institution secure deposits made by state or local governmental units by pledging securities in an undivided collateral pool held by a depository regulated under state law (unless so waived by the governmental unity).

#### Note 3. Major Funding Sources

The following grantor and landowners each accounted for over 10% of the Agency's total revenue for the years ended June 30, 2021 and 2020:

	2021	2020
Grantor	\$ 338,155	\$ 290,403
Landowner A	\$ 347,440	\$ 294,152
Landowner B	\$ 247,671	\$ 119,271

The grant revenue is subject to review and audit by the state of California. If the review or audit discloses exceptions, the Agency may incur a liability to the State of California.

**OTHER INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT**

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**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL  
REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF  
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH  
GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS**

Board of Directors  
**Cuyama Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency**  
Bakersfield, California

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of **Cuyama Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency** as of and for the year ended June 30, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise **Cuyama Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency's** basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated December 15, 2021.

**Internal Control over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered **Cuyama Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency's** internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of **Cuyama Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency's** internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of **Cuyama Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency's** internal control.

A *deficiency in internal control* exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies and therefore, material weakness or significant deficiencies may exist that have not been identified. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. We did identify a certain deficiency in internal control, described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses as item FS-2021-001, that we considered to be a significant deficiency.



**Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether **Cuyama Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency's** financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that is required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

**Cuyama Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency Response to Finding**

**Cuyama Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency's** response to the finding identified in our audit is described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses. **Cuyama Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency's** response was not subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

**Purpose of this Report**

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the **Cuyama Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency's** internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the **Cuyama Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency's** internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

*Daniells Phillips Vaughan & Bock*

Bakersfield, California  
December 15, 2021

## CUYAMA BASIN GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY

### SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND RESPONSES

Year Ended June 30, 2021

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#### I. INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING

FS-2021-001 **Condition:** The Agency does not have proper segregation of duties in the cash receipts process. The person who receives the cash also deposits the cash and enters the transaction into the general ledger.

**Criteria:** Segregation of duties is the basic building block of sustainable risk management and internal controls.

**Cause:** Limited number of employees working for the Agency.

**Effect:** Cash received can be manipulated for personal gain and amounts received can be materially misstated on the financial statements.

**Recommendation:** The Agency should define separate persons to complete each task allowing for segregation of duties.

**Management's Response/Planned Corrective Action:** The Agency acknowledges the importance of internal controls and the segregation of duties. With a limited number of employees, the Agency relies on alternative practices to safeguard its assets. For example, the generation of revenue and invoicing amounts are developed by individuals not responsible for cash receipts and entering transactions in the general ledger. Cash receipts and accounts receivable balances are reported to, and reviewed by, the individual responsible for revenue generation and invoicing on a weekly basis. Additional management oversight includes the reporting of revenue and expenses, and corresponding cash receipts and disbursements, to the Agency's Board of Directors at every scheduled board meeting.

**CUYAMA BASIN GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY****SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR YEAR FINDINGS****Year Ended June 30, 2020**

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- FS-2020-001 The Agency did not have proper segregation of duties in the cash receipts process. The person who receives the cash also deposits the cash and enters the transaction into the general ledger.  
*Similar item noted in the current year. See FS-2021-001.*



TO: Board of Directors  
Agenda Item No. 17d

FROM: Taylor Blakslee

DATE: January 5, 2022

SUBJECT: Update on Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Budget and Groundwater Extraction Fee Development

**Issue**

Update on Fiscal Year 2022-2023 budget and groundwater extraction fee development.

**Recommended Motion**

None – informational only.

**Discussion**

**Background**

The Cuyama Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency (CBGSA) approved the use of a groundwater extraction fee to fund the administration of the CBGSA. The groundwater extraction fee is based on the Fiscal Year budget and water use from the previous calendar year.

**Current Budget and Groundwater Extraction Fee Process**

An outline of the process for the upcoming Fiscal Year 2022-2023 (July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023) budget and groundwater extraction fee is provided as Attachment 1.

**Changes to Groundwater Extraction Fee Process for Fiscal Year 2023-2024**

The Fiscal Year 2023-2024 groundwater extraction fee will be based on water use for calendar year 2022. For water users using more than 25 acre-feet per year, water use will be reported for metered pumping. Water users using 25 acre-feet or less per year will provide water use using crop factor/water calculation forms with a gross conversion factor.

## Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Budget and Groundwater Extraction Fee Development Process

	Description	Timeframe	Tasks
<b>Step 1</b>	Determine 2021 Water Use	Jan-Feb 2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Email known pumpers and request water use using crop factor forms</li> <li>Mail all parcel owners to identify de minimis users and potential new water users using crop factor forms</li> </ul>
<b>Step 2</b>	Draft Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Budget	Feb-Apr 2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Review with Board ad hoc</li> </ul>
<b>Step 3</b>	Develop Groundwater Extraction Fee Report	Feb-Apr 2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Fee Report is based on FY 22-23 budget and 2021 water use</li> <li>Fee Report approval is contingent upon Board adoption of FY 22-23 budget</li> </ul>
<b>Step 4</b>	Review Long-Term Fee Policy	Mar 2, 2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Board voted to annually review the need for a long-term fee policy on March 3, 2021</li> </ul>
<b>Step 5</b>	Schedule Public Rate Hearing	Schedule during Board meeting on May 4, 2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Post notice in Santa Maria Times</li> <li>Mail notice to all parcel owners</li> <li>Email stakeholders</li> </ul>
<b>Step 6</b>	Board to Consider Adoption of FY 2022-2023 Budget and Groundwater Extraction Fee Report	May 4, 2022	
<b>Step 7</b>	Distribute Invoices to Water Users	Mid-May 2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Email and mail invoices</li> </ul>



TO: Board of Directors  
Agenda Item No. 18a

FROM: Brian Van Lienden, Woodard & Curran

DATE: January 5, 2022

SUBJECT: Update on Groundwater Sustainability Plan Activities

**Issue**

Update on Groundwater Sustainability Plan Activities.

**Recommended Motion**

None – information only.

**Discussion**

Cuyama Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency (CBGSA) Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) activities and consultant Woodard & Curran's (W&C) accomplishments are provided as Attachment 1.

Cuyama Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency

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# Update on Groundwater Sustainability Plan Activities

Brian Van Lienden

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**January 5, 2022**



# November-December Accomplishments

- ✓ Finalized memorandum with CBGSA response to DWR comment letter on GSP and submitted to DWR
- ✓ Performed technical analysis of wells in support of adaptive management program
- ✓ Worked with aquifer analysis ad-hoc committee to identify target wells and started reaching out to landowners
- ✓ Developed draft project list for DWR grant proposal
- ✓ Acquired 2021 land use data and began developing model data sets for Annual Report modeling analysis





TO: Board of Directors  
Agenda Item No. 18b

FROM: Brian Van Lienden, Woodard & Curran

DATE: January 5, 2022

SUBJECT: Update on Water Year 2020-2021 Annual Report Development

**Issue**

Update on water year 2020-2021 annual report development.

**Recommended Motion**

None – information only.

**Discussion**

In compliance with the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act, annual reports on basin sustainability metrics and progress on Groundwater Sustainability Plan implementation must be submitted to the California Department of Water Resources by April 1<sup>st</sup> of each year.

On overview of the report requirements for the upcoming Water Year 2020-2021 annual report are provided as Attachment 1.

A draft annual report will be provided for consideration of Standing Advisory Committee and Board approval in early February/March 2022.

Cuyama Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency

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# Update on Water Year 2020-2021 Annual Report Development

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January 5, 2022



# Annual Report Timeline

- DWR's GSP Emergency Regulations require that an Annual Report be submitted for the previous water year (Oct 1 through Sep 30), each year by April 1<sup>st</sup>
- Woodard & Curran will develop a draft Annual Report for approval by the CBGSA Board at the March 2022 Board meeting

# Annual Report Components

## 1. Executive Summary

- a) A concise statement of the contents of the Annual Report

## 2. Introduction

- a) A description of the purpose of the Annual Report, CBGSA information, and a summary of the Cuyama Basin Plan Area

## 3. Updated Groundwater Conditions

- a) Representative monitoring network
- b) Updated groundwater contour maps
- c) Updated groundwater hydrographs

# Annual Report Components

## 4. Estimated Water Use

- a) Includes estimates of groundwater extraction, surface water use and total water use for the preceding year (Oct 2020 – Sep 2021)

## 5. Change in Groundwater Storage

- d) Includes water budget estimate and change in groundwater storage map for the preceding year (Oct 2020 – Sep 2021)

## 6. Plan Implementation Status

- a) Includes a description of the progress towards implementation of the GSP, including progress toward achieving interim milestones and implementation of GSP projects

# Data and Model Updates

- Groundwater elevations:
  - Available data collected for all wells in monitoring network through Sep 2021
- Groundwater model update
  - Historical model period will be extended through Sep 2021 (previously was simulated for 1998-2020)
    - No change will be made to the model calibration
  - Updated land use, precipitation and evapotranspiration data collected for WY 2021
    - Updated land use data has been provided for 2021 period by Bolthouse and Grimmway. Other key landowners have confirmed no change relative to 2020.



TO: Board of Directors  
Agenda Item No. 18c

FROM: Brian Van Lienden, Woodard & Curran

DATE: January 5, 2022

SUBJECT: Update on Monitoring Network Implementation

**Issue**

Update on Monitoring Network Implementation.

**Recommended Motion**

None – information only.

**Discussion**

An update regarding the monitoring network implementation is provided as Attachment 1.

Cuyama Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency

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# Update on Monitoring Network Implementation

Brian Van Lienden

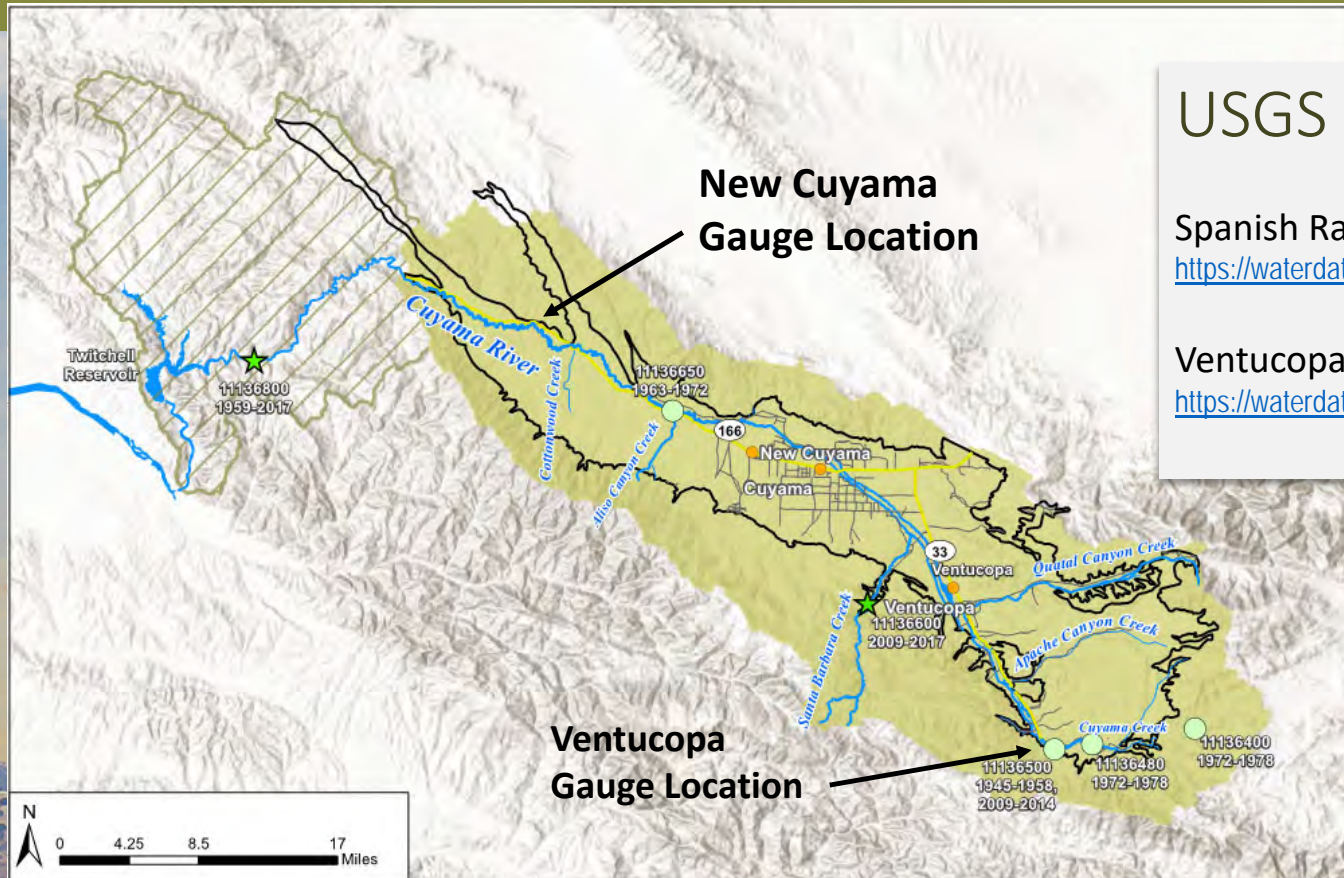
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**January 5, 2022**





# Stream Gauge Locations



## USGS DATA

Spanish Ranch Location

[https://waterdata.usgs.gov/ca/nwis/uv?site\\_no=11136710](https://waterdata.usgs.gov/ca/nwis/uv?site_no=11136710)

Ventucopa Location

[https://waterdata.usgs.gov/ca/nwis/uv?site\\_no=11136500](https://waterdata.usgs.gov/ca/nwis/uv?site_no=11136500)

# New Cuyama Stream Gauge: Gauge Height Data



# Ventucopa Stream Gauge: Discharge Data



# Schedule for Cuyama Basin Monitoring in 2022

- Quarterly groundwater levels monitoring:
  - January, April, July, November
- Water quality testing:
  - Per the GSP, perform a single EC measurement in July
  - As discussed in response letter to DWR, the CBGSA would perform a single measurement and lab testing for nitrates, arsenic and TDS
    - Staff proposed performing this sampling and testing during July

# Update on DWR TSS Program

- DWR install three new multi-completion monitoring wells in the Cuyama Basin in 2021
  - Staff is currently working with DWR to install transducers in these wells
- DWR has indicated that additional requests for TSS wells in the same basin would not be considered in the near future
  - However, DWR may be able to fund transducers at additional wells at some point in the future

**Taylor Blakslee**

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**From:** K. P. March <kmarch@bkylawfirm.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, December 23, 2021 1:20 PM  
**To:** Taylor Blakslee  
**Subject:** Taylor Blakslee from KPMarch, Esq of Walking U Ranch LLC: Taylor I have heard that some big agricultural water users have filed a suit in Court, challenging the Cuyama Basin GSP, GSA needs to immediately file a motion to dismiss any such suit, for failu

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Taylor Blakslee of Cuyama Basin GSA, from KPMarch, Esq of Walking U Ranch LLC:

Taylor:

I have heard that some big agricultural water users have filed a suit in Court, challenging the Cuyama Basin GSP, GSA needs to immediately file a motion to dismiss any such suit, for "failure to exhaust administrative remedies". SGMA (Sustainable Groundwater Management Act) provides for an administrative process (GSAs, GSPs, etc), and that administrative process is NOT over, so IF any law suits have been filed, they are subject to being dismissed for "failure to exhaust administrative remedies".

GSA has a lawyer, and that lawyer should immediately write and file a motion on behalf of GSA to dismiss any such lawsuit for "failure to exhaust administrative remedies". If a lawsuit has been filed by big ag users, regarding the Cuyama Basin GSP, and if GSA's lawyer does NOT bring such a motion on behalf of GSA, then Walking U Ranch LLC's opinion is that GSA needs to get a different lawyer, who is interested in protecting the interests of GSA, instead of interested in protecting interests of big ag users.

Please reply to this email, tell me what suit(s) regarding Cuyama Basin GSA/GSP have been filed, in which court(s), names of all plaintiffs, when filed, case number(s).

Please distribute this email as Walking U Ranch LLC's public comment for the January 4, 2022 GSA advisory board meeting, and please distribute this email as Walking U Ranch LLC's public comment for whatever is the next GSA meeting. REPLY to confirm you will do this please. Thx.

I just phoned you, please phone me on my cell 213-700-6638, or at my law firm, 310-559-9224, to tell me what information you have, so I can look up any suits that have been filed. Thx.

KPMarch

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**From:** Taylor Blakslee [mailto:TBlakslee@hgcpm.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, December 22, 2021 7:00 AM  
**To:** undisclosed-recipients:  
**Subject:** Cuyama SAC Packet - Jan 4, 2022

Cuyama Stakeholder,

The Cuyama Basin GSA Advisory Committee meeting for January has been set for Tuesday, January 4, 2022 at 5 p.m. Please find attached the packet for that meeting.

The following memos are under development and the packet will be updated early next week with these updates:

- 8a – Management Area Policies in the Central Basin
- 8d – DWR Sustainable Groundwater Management grant draft project list

This will be a **remote-only** meeting and participation can be achieved via the below options:

- Computer (live view of presentation materials) – <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/203153453>
- Telephonically – (646) 749-3122, 203153453#

Thank you,

**Taylor Blakslee**  
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## Taylor Blakslee

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**From:** K. P. March <kmarch@bkylawfirm.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, December 31, 2021 2:24 PM  
**To:** 'Joe Hughes'  
**Cc:** Taylor Blakslee  
**Subject:** Joe Hughes, Esq.(attorney for Cuyama Basin GSA) and to Taylor Blakslee (administrator for Cuyama Basin GSA): Please READ & REPLY to my below email, sent as counsel for Walking U Ranch LLC (a cattle ranch in Cuyama Valley, a stakeholder affected by GSA)

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To Joe Hughes, Esq.(attorney for Cuyama Basin GSA) and to Taylor Blakslee (administrator for Cuyama Basin GSA)

From KPMarch, Esq. counsel for stakeholder Walking U Ranch LLC (cattle ranch in Cuyama Valley)

Atty Hughes and Administrator Blakslee:

It will nullify the GSP and the actions of GSA, if big agricultural water users in the Cuyama Basin can **end run the GSA/GSP by suing in Court**, instead of being bound by the administrative process set up by SGMA.

The California SGMA statute sets up an administrative process (ie GSAs to be established all over CA, each GSA get together with the “stakeholders” and adopts a GSP (Groundwater Sustainability Plan), which GSA then submits to the appropriate CA government agency to approve, etc).

That administrative process is still going on as regards the Cuyama Basin GSA and GSP.

Therefore, my law firm (representing Walking U Ranch LLC, a cattle ranch that is a “stakeholder” in the Cuyama Valley GSP) believes that it is **premature**, at present, for anyone to file a lawsuit in any Court. Yet your below email to my law firm confirms that a couple of big agricultural water users in the Cuyama Valley have filed a lawsuit in Court attacking actions of the Cuyama Basin GSA.

**It will nullify the GSP, and the actions directed by the GSA, if big agricultural water users in the Cuyama Basin can end run the GSA/GSP by suing in Court, instead of being bound by the administrative process set up by SGMA.**

Therefore, your law firm, attorney Huges, as the law firm representing the Cuyama Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency, **needs to immediately file a Motion**, on behalf of Cuyama Basin GSA, in each lawsuit that has been filed (one or more than one?) **moving to dismiss each such lawsuit for “failure to exhaust administrative remedies”**.

In my 40 + years of experience as an attorney, California Superior Court judges are eager to dismiss lawsuits for “failure to exhaust administrative remedies”.

**By this email, my law firm, as counsel for Walking U Ranch LLC, requests that the Cuyama Basis GSA file a motion to dismiss any lawsuits filed in Court, relating to any aspect of the Cuyama Basin GSP, for “failure to exhaust administrative remedies”**.



Please REPLY to confirm receipt. Please in your REPLY, tell me whether your law firm is going to bring that Motion, or is going to request that Cuyama Basin GSA authorize and direct your law firm to bring that Motion, as counsel for the GSA, or not.

If your law firm contends that there is some reason why it is NOT appropriate, or not necessary, to bring such a Motion, please tell me that in your REPLY to my law firm to this email, and please cite whatever legal authorities your law firm is relying on for taking that position, if that is the position your law firm is taking.

My law firm does not know of any authority your law firm could be relying on, to justify failing to file a Motion, on behalf of Cuyama Basin GSA, to dismiss any and all lawsuits that have been filed regarding the decisions of the Cuyama Basin GSA and/or Cuyama Basin GSP, for failure to exhaust administrative remedies. But if there is such authority, do send it to me in your Reply to this email, and I will analyze it. I suggest you do this before the upcoming 1/4/22 advisory board meeting, and before the 1/5/22 GSA meeting.

I am "cc"ing Taylor Blakslee on this email. Taylor, as counsel for Walking U Ranch LLC, I request that you, as administrator for GSA, make the below email from attorney Hughes, and this email of mine, my public comments to be put in the packets of materials for the 1/4/22 advisory committee meeting, and for the 1/5/22 GSA meeting.

I request that the GSA direct Hughes' law firm to make a motion to dismiss each lawsuit that has been filed, for "failure to exhaust administrative remedies". The sooner that Motion is brought, the better, because delay in bringing that Motion could give rise to the plaintiffs (big ag water users) arguing that GSA has waived right to raise failure to exhaust administrative remedies, by not making such a motion promptly.

If moving to dismiss the big ag users' lawsuit for failure to exhaust administrative remedies is appropriate, and if Hughes' law firm is unwilling to bring a motion to dismiss the big ag lawsuit for failure to exhaust administrative remedies--and by doing nothing, will be letting the big agricultural water users who have sued in Court use a Court suit to end run the authority and work of the Cuyama Basin GSA/GSP-- I respectfully suggest GSA will need to switch to using a law firm which will protect the authority and work of the Cuyama Basis GSA/GSP.

Taylor please reply to confirm you will put these emails in the packet of materials for the 1/4/22 and 1/5/22 meetings.

Attorney Hughes, I will look forward to your REPLY.

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**Sent:** Friday, December 31, 2021 9:41 AM

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**Subject:** Cuyama Basin GSA - Adjudication

Kay:

We understand you asked Taylor Blakslee for information regarding the Cuyama Basin groundwater adjudication.

Attached is the complaint filed in Kern County Superior Court and the case assignment notice following transfer of the matter to Los Angeles County Superior Court.

I believe these documents will provide you with all of the information you requested. Please let me know if I've missed anything.

**Joseph D. Hughes**

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Cuyama Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency

Dear CBGSA,

26 August 2021

I submit this letter to the CBGSA as something that I hope will aid the agency's work in developing an effective, fair, and sustainable groundwater market and trading system. It is an article that was recently published in the May-June 2021 issue of *California Agriculture*, the well-known journal of research in progress by the University of California's Division of Agriculture and Natural Resources (*California Agriculture* 75(2):50-56. <https://doi.org/10.3733/ca.2021a0010>).

[The first SGMA groundwater market is trading: The importance of good design and the risks of getting it wrong](#)

The publication is a case study in the Fox Canyon Groundwater Basin in Ventura County, and should provide the CBGSA good information for the possible establishment of some kind of groundwater trading system in the Cuyama Basin. It would also seem that since Ventura County has a seat on the CBGSA, that we have an invaluable information resource on how to set up a functional trading system.

As the article states, there are many pitfalls and problems if a marketing system is not set up properly. A proper system includes everything from ecological-soundness, to hydrogeological connectivity, to market viability, to sound monitoring, and full transparency and honesty in management. A purely voluntary system is most likely not a good option.

I hope the GSA finds this article useful as we look forward to moving the GSP to full implementation.

Sincerely,

Steve Gliessman  
UCSC Professor Emeritus of Agroecology  
Farmer, Condor's Hope Ranch  
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