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WATER AGENCY ADVISORY BOARD ACTION SUMMARY MINUTES July 17, 2025

A. 3:05 PM Called to Order (*recording time marker 3:08*)

Attendee Name	Title	Present
Art Baggett	District I	Y
Mike Guenther	District II	Y
Sonny Palmer	District III	Y
Keasha Blew	District IV	Y
John McCamman	District V	Y
Dave Conway	At-Large	Y
Michael Martin	At-Large	Y
Susan Wages	MPUD	Y
Walter Wall	County Counsel	Y
Kevin Briggs	Assistant County Counsel	N
Matiel Holloway	County Engineer - Interim	N
Sam Cerveny	PW Deputy Director	Y
Bill Leonard	Southern Sierra Miwok	Y
Tennille Holt	PW Exec. Assistant	Y
Danette Toso	BOS District 3	Y
Shannon Poe	BOS District 2	N
Mike Healy	Retired Resident	Y

B. Pledge (*recording time marker 3:23*)

C. Introductions (*recording time marker 4:20*)

D. Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items (*recording time marker 5:25*)
None

E. Approval of Minutes (*recording time marker 5:47*)

- Approval of July 18, 2024, Minutes
 - John McCamman (M), Mike Martin (S)
 - Approved with Corrections – all in favor
- Approval of January 29, 2025, Minutes
 - John McCamman (M) Sonny Palmer (S)

- Approved as presented – all in favor
3. Approval of May 22, 2025, Minutes
- Dave Conway (M) John McCamman (S)
 - Approved as presented – all in favor

F. Action Items *(recording time marker 11:47)*

1. WAAB Action regarding Blackwater Consulting presentation
 - Deferred to Sept Mtg

G. Discussion Items

1. Mark Thomas – Presentation *(recording time marker 13:34)*
 - The presenter had a family emergency and had to cancel
2. Quarterly Funds Update *(recording time marker 14:28)*
 - Sam - Construction Fund – was not received from the Auditor in time for this meeting
 - Sam - MID Settlement Fund update – Balance remains the same, new budget has not been uploaded yet.
 - John McCamman - showing overdrawn
 - Sam – Shouldn't be – Account contact Leigh Westerlund

Recess Water Agency Advisory Board *(recording time marker 18:09)*

G. Water Agency Advisory Board to Sit as the Drought and Water Shortage Task Force

- Public Works Update *(recording time marker 18:30)*
- Sam reviewed plans prepared by other districts, including Mendocino
 - Consultant provided a draft of the Santa Cruz Plan as an example
 - Misconception – Private Well Monitoring/Metering is not a requirement of SB552
 - Report is primarily based on DWR data
 - John – will they be relying on measurements that they do on wells & Private property, or not at all?
 - They will reach out to interview the small water systems, but there will be no interaction with private well owners
 - Mike G – can we revisit Sierra Conservancy helping
 - Sam – Based on the grant, there is not enough funding to include them.
 - Keasha – DWR data is very incomplete
 - Sam – they will reach out to Environmental Health for additional data
 - Keasha – Maybe Sierra Conservancy can provide a proposal for the services they offer.

- John – Sounds like the intention is to write the plan without getting measurements on individual wells. I don't know how that can be done.
- Keasha – is there a Public Outreach portion
- Sam – Just the website – web portal is part of the plan
- Art Baggett - Are they looking at the State Small Water Systems
- Sam - Workplan section 3 - addresses all the tasks for State Small Water Systems
- John – we need to hear from the contractor to hear the whole plan
- Mike Healy – Excited to see the work plan, it's been in the works a long time. Can the consultant take into account known areas of drought?
- Keasha – Clarification on the MID Project Funds
- John - He explained how funds are applied and the requirements
 - By 2047 The County is guaranteed 9 million at the end if we don't have a project. 18 million if we do have a project. Plus 300K/yr 8k acres of water. It's a struggle to identify a project with the limited funds to work with
- Art – They should really take a look at Wawona
- Dannette Toso – brings up the terrible quality of the water in Hornitos
- Keasha – Would like the consultant to meet with the WAAB before they move forward with the plan.
- Sam – The Intent of the Presentation is to both give information and get feedback and input
- Keasha – would it be helpful to give them input before the meeting
- John – when is their preliminary report due
- Sam – believe it is due late fall
- Sam – Can schedule a special meeting so the WAAB can give feedback sooner
- Mike G – can we coordinate
- WAAB agrees to Special Mtg for Mark Thomas Presentation – August 21, 2025, at 3:00 PM at the BOS Room
- John – Requests to have clear financials, like we used to, moving forward

Adjourn Drought and Water Shortage Task Force and Reconvene as the Water Agency Advisory Board

H. Next Meeting

Special Mtg for Mark Thomas Presentation – August 21, 2025, at 3:00 PM

Regular Meeting - September 8, at 3:00 PM

I. Adjournment (*recording time marker 48:13*)

Respectfully submitted,



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