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Resource Conservation District

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Regular Meeting of the Board Sloughhouse Resource Conservation District Agenda

When: October 9, 2024
Where: Rancho Murieta Community Services
15160 Jackson Rd.
Rancho Murieta, CA 95683

or

Via Zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85766858945>
Meeting ID: 857 6685 8945

Time: 12:30 pm – 3:30 pm

PUBLIC COMMENT – Any member of the public may address the Board concerning any matter on the agenda before or during its consideration of the matter. Public comment is limited to three (3) minutes per person and no more than fifteen (15) minutes per topic. For good cause, the Board Chairman may waive these limitations.

AGENDA ITEM TIME FRAME – All time allotments are suggested by staff and are an estimate only and subject to change.

ACCESSIBILITY - If you have a disability and require a reasonable accommodation to fully participate in this event, please contact SRCD Staff before the day of the meeting via email [info@SloughhouseRCD.org] or telephone [916-526-5447] to discuss your accessibility needs.

OPENING / CALL TO ORDER

PUBLIC COMMENT FROM THE FLOOR (Non-Agenda Items)

TREASURY REPORT:

Sloughhouse RCD Treasurer will provide a report on fiscal updates.

CONSENT CALENDAR:

Any Board member may request and remove any item from the consent agenda and place that item on the regular portion of the agenda as specified.

- a. Agenda – October 9, 2024
- b. Minutes – September 11, 2024
- c. Financial Report – October 2024

REPORTS:

- a. USDA Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS)
- b. Sacramento County Ag. Commissioners Report
- c. SRCD Board Reports

GENERAL BUSINESS ACTION ITEMS:

- 1. Foley Property Replacement Well Permit Application
- 2. SRCD Board of Directors Open Appointments
- 3. SRCD Audit Proposal
- 4. Fall Groundwater Monitoring
- 5. Grant Updates
 - a. Conservation Agriculture Planning Grant Program (CAPGP)
 - b. Water Efficiency Technical Assistance (WETA)
 - c. DWR Stream Gage Improvement Program (CalSIP)

GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY ACTION ITEMS:

- 6. Cosumnes Groundwater Authority
 - a. Upcoming Events
- 7. South American Subbasin
 - a. General Update

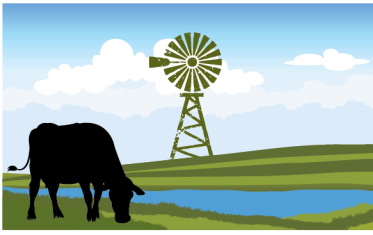
INFORMATIONAL / DISCUSSION ITEMS

- 8. SRCD Staff Report

IDENTIFICATION OF ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

Board Members may request items to be placed on future agendas.

ADJOURNMENT



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Meeting of the Board - MINUTES Sloughhouse Resource Conservation District

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15160 Jackson Rd.
Rancho Murieta, CA 95683

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Via Zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85766858945>
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Time: 12:30 pm – 3:30 pm

Board Members: Barbara Washburn, Herb Garms, Gary Silva Jr., Lindsay Carter, Jay Schneider
Associate Directors: Teresa Flewellyn
Staff: Brittany Friedman, Chris Timmer

***A recording of this meeting can be found on the Sloughhouse RCD website at:*
<https://srcd.specialdistrict.org/meetings> **

OPENING

Chairman Garms called the meeting to order at 12:33pm.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Any member of the public may address the Board concerning any matter not on the Agenda within the Board/District's jurisdiction.

TREASURY REPORT

Treasurer Gary Silva provided an update on SRCD's financials including the current invoices for the month. This current report highlighted an error in Quickbooks that will soon be fixed by staff with the assistance of Rick Wood at CSDA. It was also noted that a WETA grant reimbursement is on its way in the amount of \$36,000. Finally, staff signed a new insurance agreement with Glatfelter for the 24-25 fiscal year which will be billed in October.

CONSENT CALENDAR:

- a. Agenda – September 11, 2024
- b. Minutes – August 9, 2024
- c. Financial Report – September 2024

Drafted on:
9/11/2024

Director Schneider moved to approve the consent calendar.

Director Carter seconded the motion.

The motion passed with all in favor.

REPORTS

- a. USDA Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS)
NRCS Representative Toney Tillman provided a report on the 13 approved EQIP applications for the Conservation Stewardship Program. Starting October 1, all persons applying for NRCS programs will get reset on payment limitations..If anyone has questions on these programs, Toney is available by phone or email.
- b. Sacramento County Ag. Commissioners Report
None.
- c. SRCD Board Member Reports
 - Director Washburn reported on the Lawrence Berkeley Lab and the Delta Stewardship Council grant which will examine the rooting depth of oak trees. EKI estimated this may be, on average, about 50 ft. This grant will encourage isotope studies (funded to almost \$1 million) for oak trees along rivers and inland to see exactly how deep they are rooted. OHWD has submitted a letter of support for this grant and Director Washburn would like to represent SRCD on the grant Board for this opportunity.
 - Director Schneider commented on isotope studies of the past and wondered if there was any availability to participate in this study in the future since there are Valley Oaks located in SRCD.
 - Director Carter reported that at the end of December, she will step off the Fire District Board and represent SRCD at LAFCO beginning in January 2025.
 - Director Silva reported on the stream gauge grant from DWR (CalSIP) which could help to reactivate several gauges in SRCD areas. Staff will look into applying for this grant.
 - Asst. Director Flewellyn reported on the Wildeye Telemetry water levels seen on the Denier Ranch which currently show 8-10 ft less of irrigation usage this month compared to last.

GENERAL BUSINESS ACTION ITEMS

1. CARCD Updates

a. Contract for Services

CARCD recently updated their contract for services since they have signed on with a new HR company, Insperty. The main change is that instead of using billable rates, they will invoice based on actual costs plus a 4% administrative fee. This new contract would go into effect as soon as it was signed. The board discussed how this would be about a \$200 increase in fees per month.

Director Carter moved to approve and sign the new CARCD contract with an option to revisit this in July 2025 when it is time to re-sign the contract.

*Director Washburn seconded the motion.
The motion passed with all in favor.*

b. CARCD Conference

The CARCD conference will be held at the DoubleTree Hilton in Sacramento on December 10-12, 2024. Staff will be purchasing tickets for the early bird pricing and requested the Board to do the same if they are interested in attending as it is \$50 less than regular pricing. Early bird pricing will end on September 5, 2024.

2. SRCD Open Board Appointments

There will be three open Board positions coming this October that will need to be elected or re-elected. The directors that will need to re-apply if wishing to continue on the Board include: Barbara Washburn, Lindsay Carter and Jay Schneider. Any member of the public can apply if interested in these positions or an Assistant Director position.

Director Washburn announced that she will not be re-applying for the new term. She will still be a voting and active Board member through December 2024. Board appointments will be made at the October meeting.

3. Fall Monitoring Processes for SRCD

Staff provided an update regarding the Fall Groundwater Monitoring process for SRCD who will also be conducting Clay WD and Galt ID's monitoring. SRCD will once again be working with O'Sullivan Pump Co. to take water levels and test for water quality. It was noted that staff should make sure to read the meters on the wells when in the field and include this information in the report. A member of the public volunteered his wells to be monitored if SRCD needs to fill a data gap. The monitoring will take place on October 10 and 11, 2024.

4. SRCD Audit

Richardson and Company have completed the last several years of audits for Sloughhouse RCD. According to Government Code Section 12410.6 (b), RCDs are required to change auditor and audit reviewer at least every six years. SRCD will need to complete the 22-23 and 23-24 audit this year. The Board advised staff to move forward with soliciting auditors. It was noted that a 1st year agreement is typically less expensive than a multi-year contract.

This solicitation will be posted to the SRCD website and a general email will be sent out though the RCD network.

5. Grant Updates

a. Conservation Agriculture Planning Grant Program (CAPGP)

Staff provided a report/update on the CAPGP grant. There are currently 6 landowners working with Technical Service Providers (TSP's) with 6 plans completed. The first invoice has been submitted to CDFA for reimbursement. Staff is still continuing outreach efforts for this grant as there are 10 spots remaining.

b. Water Efficiency Technical Assistance Grant (WETA)

Program Coordinator Chris Timmer provided a report on the WETA program.

Staff presented the Mobile Irrigation Lab to staff and the board at the RD 800 board meeting on 8/15/24 as well as at the Learn & Grow event hosted by Agromin in Walnut Grove on 9/6/24.

Staff is working to prepare, advertise and host a Water Efficiency Workshop that will be hosted at the Wilton Community Center on October 5th at 10 AM. Staff will present about the District, CGA and the Mobile Irrigation Program. Other presentations will also be provided by UCANR, NRCS, Sacramento Valley Conservancy & Wildeye.

GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY ACTION ITEMS

6. Cosumnes Groundwater Authority

a. Recommended Corrective Actions

The Board discussed the recommended corrective actions laid out by DWR that need to be addressed before the October monitoring this year. This includes checking on the monitoring status of two DWR wells (both confirmed by staff). It also includes reactivating the Dry Creek Stream Gauge. Staff will work to submit applications to the DWR CalSIP grant that is active and granting funding to reactivate and implement new stream gauges in the district area. Staff will also look into possible additions for the Monitoring Network including the Denier Ranch well and Foley Farm well.

b. Upcoming Events

SRCD/CGA staff will be in attendance at the following events:

1. SRCD Water Workshop on Saturday, October 5 from 10am - 12pm
2. Wilton Chili Cook Off on Saturday, October 12 from 10am - 4pm
3. Galt Cemetery Dia de los Muertos on Saturday, October 26 all day

INFORMATIONAL/DISCUSSION ITEMS

7. SRCD Staff Report

SRCD swag in the form of polo shirts, t-shirts and hats have arrived. Board members and staff are welcome to each have these items.

Staff has been working to improve the office space and is currently working to finalize a lease for a printer. The lease is also still being looked over by the landowner.

DM Brittany Friedman graduated from SLEWS Academy and will now begin to look into grant funding for youth programs to get up and running by Fall 2025.

IDENTIFICATION OF ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

The Board approved the following future agenda items by consensus:

Groundwater Update

Board Elections

SRCD Audit

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Garms adjourned the meeting at 3:27pm.

Sloughhouse Resource Conservation District

Expenses Needing Board Approval

All Dates

DATE	AMOUNT	MEMO/DESCRIPTION
CARCD		
10/04/2024	13,677.18	Staff Wages - August 2024
Total for CARCD	\$13,677.18	
Chris Timmer		
10/04/2024	120.80	WETA Mileage Reimbursement - September 2024
Total for Chris Timmer	\$120.80	
Glatfelter		
09/09/2024	2,276.15	Policy Premium '24 - '25
Total for Glatfelter	\$2,276.15	
Innovative Ag Services		
10/04/2024	18,180.00	Conservation Plan Payment #2
Total for Innovative Ag Services	\$18,180.00	
Kronick		
10/04/2024	586.50	Legal Services through August 2024
Total for Kronick	\$586.50	
Molly Taylor		
10/04/2024	10,000.00	Conservation Plan Payment - Carbon Farm Plan #2
Total for Molly Taylor	\$10,000.00	
TOTAL	\$44,840.63	

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Balance Sheet

As of October 4, 2024

	TOTAL
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Bank Accounts (Sac County + Five Star Bank)	
Operations Sustainability Reserves (6576) - 2	254,397.79
Public Checking (2162) - 2	102,869.00
Special Projects Reserve (6568) - 2	254,397.79
Total Bank Accounts (Sac County + Five Star Bank)	\$611,664.58
Accounts Receivable	\$51,000.00
Total Current Assets	\$662,664.58
TOTAL ASSETS	\$662,664.58
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	
Liabilities (Accounts Payable)	\$44,840.63
Equity	
Opening balance equity	565,311.79
Retained Earnings	41,167.94
Net Revenue	11,344.22
Total Equity	\$617,823.95
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	\$662,664.58

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Budget vs. Actuals: SRCD FY 24-25 Budget - FY25 P&L

July 2024 - June 2025

	TOTAL			
	ACTUAL	BUDGET	OVER BUDGET	% OF BUDGET
Revenue				
4600 Services (Staff Support)	12,000.00	65,000.00	-53,000.00	18.46 %
Contributed income				
4500 Grant Income	65,426.48	154,025.00	-88,598.52	42.48 %
Total Contributed income	65,426.48	154,025.00	-88,598.52	42.48 %
Investment income				
4900 Interest Income (94941000)	1,903.26	18,000.00	-16,096.74	10.57 %
Total Investment income	1,903.26	18,000.00	-16,096.74	10.57 %
Other Income				
4100 Tax Revenue (91-)		177,813.00	-177,813.00	
4200 Groundwater Sustainability Fee		222,903.00	-222,903.00	
4300 Intergovernmental Revenue (95-)		2,000.00	-2,000.00	
4700 Misc. Other Revenue (97979000)	1,560.00	2,000.00	-440.00	78.00 %
Total Other Income	1,560.00	404,716.00	-403,156.00	0.39 %
Total Revenue	\$80,889.74	\$641,741.00	\$ -560,851.26	12.60 %
GROSS PROFIT	\$80,889.74	\$641,741.00	\$ -560,851.26	12.60 %
Expenditures				
5370 Office Supplies (Consumable) (20207600)	8,011.35	20,000.00	-11,988.65	40.06 %
Bank fees & service charges				
5200 Assessment/Collections Services (20250700)		1,750.00	-1,750.00	
Total Bank fees & service charges		1,750.00	-1,750.00	
Memberships & subscriptions				
5260 Dues, Memberships, Subscriptions, Publications, etc. (20206100)	2,667.50	4,000.00	-1,332.50	66.69 %
Total Memberships & subscriptions	2,667.50	4,000.00	-1,332.50	66.69 %
Shipping & postage				
5340 Postage/Shipping (20292200)		3,000.00	-3,000.00	
Total Shipping & postage		3,000.00	-3,000.00	
Small tools & equipment				
5280 Equipment, Tools, Furniture (<\$5k)	3,030.95		3,030.95	
Total Small tools & equipment	3,030.95		3,030.95	
Total 5370 Office Supplies (Consumable) (20207600)	13,709.80	28,750.00	-15,040.20	47.69 %
5510 CDFA Conservation Ag Planning Grant (CAPGP)	28,180.00	2,000.00	26,180.00	1,409.00 %
5520 CDFA Water Efficiency Technical Assistance Grant (WETA)				
5221 WETA Personnel - Salaries & Wages	14,087.94	77,613.00	-63,525.06	18.15 %
5222 WETA Supplies	161.17	6,000.00	-5,838.83	2.69 %
5223 WETA Travel	475.45	1,808.00	-1,332.55	26.30 %
5224 WETA Contractors/Labor Costs		15,000.00	-15,000.00	
5225 WETA Other Direct Costs	140.00		140.00	
Total 5520 CDFA Water Efficiency Technical Assistance Grant (WETA)	14,864.56	100,421.00	-85,556.44	14.80 %
Contract & professional fees				
5330 Other Professional Services (20259100)	1,900.00	15,000.00	-13,100.00	12.67 %

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Budget vs. Actuals: SRCD FY 24-25 Budget - FY25 P&L

July 2024 - June 2025

		TOTAL		
	ACTUAL	BUDGET	OVER BUDGET	% OF BUDGET
5380 Cosumnes Groundwater Authority Contribution (20281204)		149,413.00	-149,413.00	
5390 South American Subbasin SGMA Contributions (20289900)		9,000.00	-9,000.00	
Accounting fees		3,500.00	-3,500.00	
Investment management fees	-9,910.41		-9,910.41	
Legal fees				
5350 Legal - General (20253100)	2,380.50	20,000.00	-17,619.50	11.90 %
5355 Legal - Groundwater (20253100)	828.00	15,000.00	-14,172.00	5.52 %
Total Legal fees	3,208.50	35,000.00	-31,791.50	9.17 %
Total Contract & professional fees	-4,801.91	211,913.00	-216,714.91	-2.27 %
Grant Writing/Youth Education		10,000.00	-10,000.00	
Insurance	2,276.15		2,276.15	
5300 Insurance (20205100)		4,000.00	-4,000.00	
Total Insurance	2,276.15	4,000.00	-1,723.85	56.90 %
Interest paid	-3,844.14		-3,844.14	
Occupancy				
Rent		18,000.00	-18,000.00	
Utilities	500.00	6,000.00	-5,500.00	8.33 %
Total Occupancy	500.00	24,000.00	-23,500.00	2.08 %
Payroll expenses				
Salaries & wages				
5000 Staff Expenses (20254100)				
Staff Costs (Friedman)	18,475.21	120,351.00	-101,875.79	15.35 %
Staff Costs (Timmer)		29,649.00	-29,649.00	
Total 5000 Staff Expenses (20254100)	18,475.21	150,000.00	-131,524.79	12.32 %
Total Salaries & wages	18,475.21	150,000.00	-131,524.79	12.32 %
Total Payroll expenses	18,475.21	150,000.00	-131,524.79	12.32 %
Travel				
5400 Transportation (Travel, Mileage)	185.85	1,500.00	-1,314.15	12.39 %
Total Travel	185.85	1,500.00	-1,314.15	12.39 %
Uncategorized Expense				
5270 Education, Training, & Staff Development (20203600)		6,000.00	-6,000.00	
5320 Misc. Expenses (20227504)		4,000.00	-4,000.00	
Total Uncategorized Expense		10,000.00	-10,000.00	
Total Expenditures	\$69,545.52	\$542,584.00	\$ -473,038.48	12.82 %
NET OPERATING REVENUE	\$11,344.22	\$99,157.00	\$ -87,812.78	11.44 %
NET REVENUE	\$11,344.22	\$99,157.00	\$ -87,812.78	11.44 %

**Sloughhouse Resource Conservation District
Board of Directors Meeting**

Agenda Date: October 9, 2024

Agenda Item #: #1

Agenda Item Subject: **GSP Consistency Review of Submitted Well Permit**

To: SRCD Board of Directors

From: SRCD Staff

Background:

- As required by [Executive Order N-7-22 Paragraph 9a](#), Groundwater Sustainability Agencies must provide written concurrence that proposed wells (and alterations) extracting more than 2 Acre-Feet per Year (AFY) would not be inconsistent with any applicable Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) and would not decrease the likelihood of achieving a sustainability goal for the Subbasin before the County of Sacramento considers the permit.
- SRCD Staff was notified of a well alteration permit (Request #206) for implementation/replacement of an Agricultural well on an agricultural-residential property (zoned A5 – General Agriculture). The property owner has already received a letter from an engineer to meet requirements laid out in the Executive Order’s Paragraph 9b. This letter indicates that the modification would not negatively impact nearby wells or infrastructure.
- This well is to be an exact replacement of a current well located nearby on the property which will have the exact same construction measurements and depth as the current well.

Attachments:

- SRCD Property Owner Acknowledgement Form (Request #206)
- [Well Interference Evaluation Report/Geology report](#) (link only)
- Draft SRCD Consistency Verification Letter

Staff Recommendations:

- Authorize SRCD District Manager to send a consistency verification letter to the County of Sacramento indicating that SRCD GSA verifies that Request #206, a replacement to an existing well, would not be inconsistent with the sustainable groundwater management program established in the adopted GSP for the Subbasin, and such extraction would not decrease the likelihood of achieving a sustainability goal for the Subbasin.



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**EXECUTIVE ORDER N-7-22 PROPERTY OWNER ACKNOWLEDGMENT FORM AND GSP
CONSISTENCY REVIEW REQUEST**

Applicant Name:	Phone/Email:	APN:
Foley Family Farms/Roy Oneta	707-708-8166 roneto@foleyfamilyfarms.com	073-0080-060-0000
Well Location: 38.51570, -121.13085	[SRCD ONLY] County Well App. #: 206	[SRCD ONLY] Request #: 206

Property Owner Acknowledgment (verify and check each box upon acknowledgment and agreement):

- I acknowledge that the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) requires that Sloughhouse Resource Conservation District Groundwater Sustainability Agency (“GSA” or “SRCD”) is required to manage groundwater in the Cosumnes Subbasin (“Subbasin”) pursuant to the adopted Cosumnes Subbasin Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP), and has groundwater management authority over the lands identified in Well Application listed above (the “Well Application”).
- I acknowledge that Section 9.a. of Executive Order N-7-22 directs that a permit for a new groundwater well or for alteration of an existing well in the Subbasin cannot be approved without written verification from the GSA that groundwater extraction from the proposed well will not be inconsistent with the GSP’s minimum thresholds and will not decrease the likelihood of achieving the GSP’s measurable objectives and sustainability goals.
- I acknowledge that pursuant to the adopted GSP for this Basin, the GSA has established minimum thresholds and measurable objectives for the Subbasin, and has the authority to limit extractions within its jurisdiction, including extractions from any well permitted pursuant to the Well Application.
- I acknowledge that a well permit issued by the County does not guarantee the extraction of any specific amount of groundwater now, or in the future. Similarly, a permit does not guarantee the maintenance of any defined water level or water quality in the Subbasin.
- I acknowledge that the GSA is not responsible for or otherwise liable for any costs, investments, or payments related to any groundwater well, including pumping fees, extraction limits, costs related to well failure, well deepening, or increased maintenance, replacement, or operational costs.
- I acknowledge that the findings and verification made by the GSA pursuant to Executive Order N-7-22 are based on the information provided in the Well Application and this Property Owner Acknowledgment, and that such determinations are subject to modification or revocation at any time the GSA receives other relevant, material information.
- I agree to hold the GSA harmless and indemnify the GSA for any liability, including attorney fees, costs, or penalties stemming from or related to the County’s issuance of a permit for the Well Application.

- I acknowledge that the undersigned is either the Property Owner of the land on which a well is proposed to be located, or a representative authorized to sign on the Property Owner's behalf.
- I acknowledge that I the applicant, not the GSA, am responsible for submitting a County of Sacramento Well Application to the Sacramento County Environmental Management Department once I receive written verification that this request would not be inconsistent with the sustainable groundwater management program established in the adopted GSP for the Subbasin.

Please include the following attachments with this request:

- A copy of your draft/pending County of Sacramento Well Application
- A report signed, by a California licensed professional, such as a Professional Geologist with a Certified Hydrogeologist specialty certification or a Professional Engineer, the concludes both that extraction of groundwater from the well is not likely to interfere with the production and functions of existing nearby wells and is not likely to cause subsidence that would adversely impact or damage nearby infrastructure. (See Action 9(b) of Executive Order N-7-22)

By signing below, I hereby certify that the acknowledgments above are understood and accepted and will be incorporated into the terms and conditions of any well permit issued pursuant to the Well Application.

Kara Maraden; Senior Director of Viticulture FFF
Printed Name

10/4/2024
Date

Kara Maraden
Signature

August 30, 2024
Job No. 5280.01

Roy Oneto
Foley Family Farms
14440 Latrobe Rd
Sloughhouse, CA 95683

Subject: Well Interference Evaluation Report
Latrobe Road, Sloughhouse, CA; APN: 073-0080-060-000

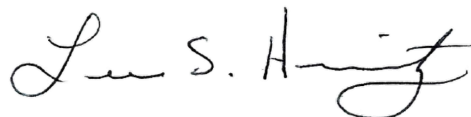
Mr. Oneto:

Hurvitz Environmental Services, Inc. (HES) is pleased to submit this Well Interference Evaluation Report for a new agricultural well at an existing vineyard property. HES prepared this Report at the request of Sacramento County as part of a well permit application under the Emergency Drought Standards for Well Construction (WLS-048). We understand that these Well Interference Evaluation Reports are now required for new or replacement private wells that will exceed a usage rate of 2 acre-feet/year. The purpose of this Report was to outline the sites proposed water usage rates, based on existing property uses, and to evaluate whether or not the proposed water supply can adequately meet the water demands without significantly impacting neighboring wells.

Based on the information and assessments contained herein, we conclude that the Sites existing water usage rate is below the average groundwater usage rate for the South American Groundwater Sub-Basin and that pumping and groundwater extraction at the proposed well location is not expected to significantly impact neighboring wells.

We appreciate the opportunity to provide you with these services. Please do not hesitate to contact us at your convenience, should you have any questions or comments regarding this report or our recommendations.

Sincerely,
HURVITZ ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES, INC



Lee S. Hurvitz, PG #7573 CHG #1015
Certified Hydrogeologist



6.0 CONCLUSIONS

The project site is located in the upper reaches of the Lower Deer Creek Watershed and within the State designated High Priority South American Groundwater Sub- Basin. The proposed well will be installed within aquifers of alluvial deposits and the Mehrten Formation.

The new proposed groundwater well will be used on six adjoining parcels, by the same property owner, on 480-acres of land. The estimated annual groundwater usage for the entire Site including 274-acres of vineyard, and one primary residence with landscaping, is 164.44 acre-feet/year (53,700,208 gallons). The estimated groundwater use/site acre, is 0.34 acre-feet/acre/year and is below the South American Groundwater Sub-Basin Average of 0.58 acre-feet/acre/year. The daily peak water demand is expected to be approximately 262,295 gallons/day or 182 gpm. The Site has two existing groundwater wells, one of which will be abandoned once the new well is installed. Therefore, each of the two wells used for vineyard irrigation would need to produce approximately 91 gpm to meet the Sites Peak demand. In summary:

- **164.44 acre-feet/year – Estimated Site Groundwater Usage (6-parcels)**
- **262,295 gallons/day – Peak Daily Water Demand**
- **0.34 acre-feet/acre/year – Estimated groundwater usage rate for the two vineyard wells**
- **350-3000 feet – Estimated radius of pumping influence (unconfined & confined aquifer)**
- **2,730 feet – Closest offsite well not associated with the vineyard**
- **0.44-0.63 feet - Expected drawdown in closest offsite well after 120 days of peak pumping (unconfined aquifer and confined aquifer)**

Based on the information and assessments contained herein, we conclude that pumping and groundwater extraction at the proposed well will not significantly impact neighboring wells. Further, the groundwater use associated with the Site vineyard is below the average groundwater usage rate for the SASb and is therefore consistent with the Basin Plan.



Foley Family Farms
 Latrobe Rd.
 Rancho Murieta, Ca. 95683
 APN#073-0080-060-0000
 AC: 160
 GPS 38.51570, -121.13085

Entire parcel





HURVITZ ENVIRONMENTAL
 105 MORRIS ST, STE 188
 SEBASTOPOL, CA 95472
 PH: 707.824.1690
 FX: 707.824.2675
 HURVITZ.ENVIRONMENTAL@GMAIL.COM
 CA PG# 7573

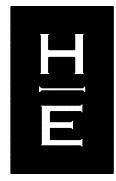
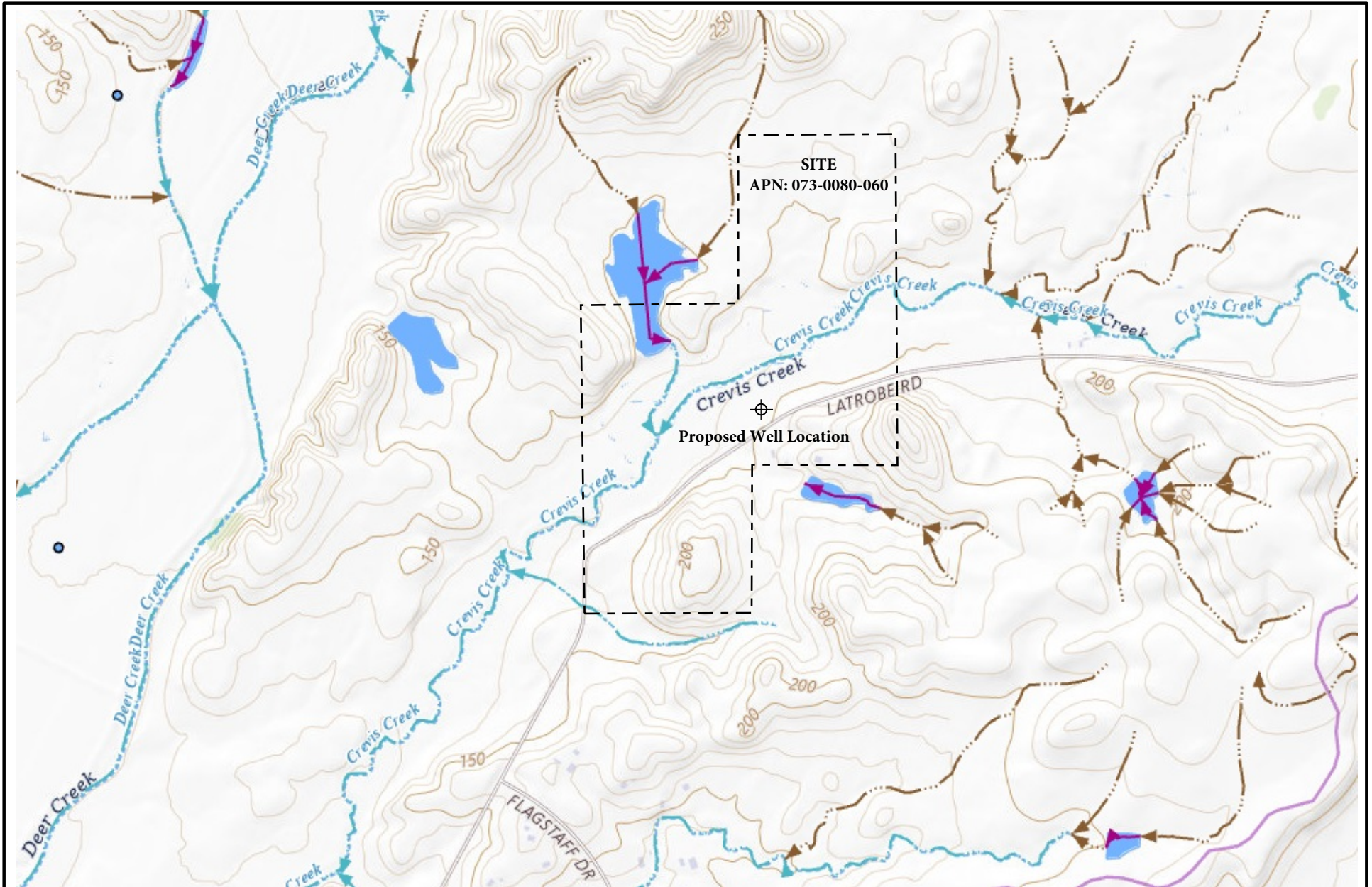
Site Plan - Well Locations

Latrobe Road
 APN: 073-0080-060
 Sloughhouse, CA 95683

JOB NUMBER:
5280.01

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08/30/24

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SLOUGHHOUSE

Resource Conservation District

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EXECUTIVE ORDER N-7-22 GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY PLAN CONSISTENCY VERIFICATION LETTER

The Groundwater Sustainability Plan (the “GSP”) for the Cosumnes Subbasin (“Subbasin”), establishes minimum thresholds and measurable sustainability goals for the Subbasin. Pursuant to Section 9.a. of Executive Order N-7-22, Sloughouse Resource Conservation District Groundwater Sustainability Agency (“GSA” or “RCD”) has considered the proposed location, purpose, depth, and pumping contemplated in Consistency Review Request # 206 (“Well Application”) relative to the GSP’s minimum thresholds and sustainability goals and current groundwater conditions, and makes the following findings:

Change in Total Groundwater Pumping:

- The Well Application seeks to alter or replace an existing groundwater well within the Subbasin, for which **no increase in total groundwater pumping** by the altered or replaced well is contemplated.
- The Well Application seeks to install a new groundwater well or to alter or replace an existing groundwater well, in which **an increase in total groundwater pumping** by the altered or replaced well is contemplated.

Groundwater Sustainability Agency Findings:

- The GSA **VERIFIES** that the proposed installation/alteration of a groundwater well pursuant to the Well Application, and the extraction therefrom, would not be inconsistent with the sustainable groundwater management program established in the adopted GSP for the Subbasin, and such extraction would not decrease the likelihood of achieving a sustainability goal for the Subbasin.
- The GSA **IS UNABLE TO VERIFY** that the proposed installation/alteration of a groundwater well pursuant to the Well Application, and the extraction therefrom, would not be inconsistent with the sustainable groundwater management program established in the adopted GSP for the Subbasin, and would not decrease the likelihood of achieving a sustainability goal.

The findings and written verification provided herein are based upon review of the adopted GSP for the Cosumnes Subbasin, and the information and representations contained in the attached Well Application and Property Owner Acknowledgment. Such determinations are subject to modification or revocation at any time the GSA receives relevant, material information, though the GSA has no obligation to notify the Property Owner or the County of any change to any finding upon which this verification is based. By issuing a well permit, the County accepts and acknowledges the GSA’s compliance with EO N-7-22.

I hereby verify that the GSA has reviewed the attached Well Application and Property Owner Acknowledgment in compliance with Executive Order N-7-22, and have marked each box above as applicable.

Groundwater Sustainability Agency: Sloughouse Resource Conservation
District Authorized Signer: Brittany Friedman, District Manager

Signature

Date

**Sloughhouse Resource Conservation District
Board of Directors Meeting**

Agenda Date: October 9, 2024
Agenda Item #: #2
Agenda Item Subject: **Upcoming SRCD Board Elections**
To: SRCD Board of Directors
From: SRCD Staff

Background:

This Fall, Sloughhouse RCD has three scheduled vacancies on the Board. According to the [Sloughhouse RCD Director Appointment Policy](#), SRCD notified the Board of Supervisors of an upcoming scheduled vacancy. Staff posted the scheduled vacancies and solicited applications until October 3, 2024 at midnight.

From the SRCD Director Appointment Policy: “After deliberating on the applicants, the Board may select from a variety of public processes to develop a draft recommendation and final recommendations must be approved by a majority public vote of the SRCD Board. Current SRCD Directors may vote for themselves if applying to be reappointed.”

Terms Expiring:

- Director Lindsey Carter
- Director Jay Schneider
- Vice Chair Barbara Washburn

Staff has received 4 applications for Board of Director seats. Each applicant will now be heard briefly by the current Board members as to why they wish to serve on the SRCD Board and what their qualifications entail.

Applicants for Term of Jan 2025 – December 2026

- Lindsay Carter
- Jay Schneider
- Teresa Flewellyn
- Stephen Greene

Staff Recommendations:

- Make a recommendation to the County of Sacramento Board of Supervisors for appointment to the Sloughhouse RCD Board.



SLOUGHOUSE
Resource Conservation District
 8698 Elk Grove Blvd., Elk Grove, CA 95624

Application to Serve on the SRCD Board of Directors

NAME: Lindsey Carter

RESIDENCE ADDRESS: 11546 Twin Cities Road Galt, CA 95632

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PHONE: 209-712-7120

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Please provide a brief description of your background and qualifications and any other relevant documents you believe support your eligibility and nomination, including relevant experience and/or education (ex: resume), with particular emphasis on SRCD priority focus areas as identified in the [SRCD Long Range Plan](#). Provide additional attachments as needed.

Current director for SRCD and current chair of CGA JPA. Resume attached.

I, the undersigned, agree that the provided information is accurate, that I meet the qualifications to serve as an SRCD Director as outlined in Public Resource Code 9352, and that, if appointed to the SRCD Board of Directors, I will comply with all laws, regulations, and policies applicable to Directors.

Lindsey R Carter
 Applicant Signature

9/24/24
 Date



SLOUGHHOUSE

Resource Conservation District

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Application to Serve on the SRCD Board of Directors

NAME: Jay Schneider

RESIDENCE ADDRESS: 14026 Meiss Road

MAILING ADDRESS: 14026 Meiss Road, Sloughhouse CA 95683

PHONE: 916-837-4686

EMAIL: CowboyJay@gmail.com

Please provide a brief description of your background and qualifications and any other relevant documents you believe support your eligibility and nomination, including relevant experience and/or education (ex: resume), with particular emphasis on SRCD priority focus areas as identified in the [SRCD Long Range Plan](#). Provide additional attachments as needed.

I'm lifetime rancher. Placed our ranch in an agricultural preserve in 1961 Director on the Sloughhouse Resource Conservation District over 30 years. Past president of Sacramento County Farm Bureau and Amador El Dorado Sacramento Cattlemen's Assn.. Director State Cattlemen's 73-2019, Member Class XX California Agricultural Leadership program. Charter member Cosumnes CPAC and served as chairman twice. Permanently conserved 1,100 acres with The Nature Conservancy. I have a long history of working to conserve agricultural productivity and viability in Sacramento County, and the state of California. Past member of Sloughhouse Fire Board, EGUSD school committees, 4H and similar community service endeavors. Locally Interim Open Space Task Force, Vernal Pool Task Force, and several similar agricultural oriented conservation efforts. Leadership role establishing Groundwater Sustainability Agency in Cosumnes Basin pursuant to the 2014 Sustainable Groundwater Management Act. Always active and bring institutional memory and experience to district proceedings.

I, the undersigned, agree that the provided information is accurate, that I meet the qualifications to serve as an SRCD Director as outlined in Public Resource Code 9352, and that, if appointed to the SRCD Board of Directors, I will comply with all laws, regulations, and policies applicable to Directors.

Jay Schneider
Applicant Signature

Sept 30, 2024
Date



SLOUGHOUSE

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8698 Elk Grove Blvd., Elk Grove, CA 95624

Application to Serve on the SRCD Board of Directors

NAME: Teresa Flewellyn

RESIDENCE ADDRESS: 12928 Ivie Road, Herald CA 95638

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PHONE: 916-997-1921

EMAIL: teresaflewellyn@gmail.com

Please provide a brief description of your background and qualifications and any other relevant documents you believe support your eligibility and nomination, including relevant experience and/or education (ex: resume), with particular emphasis on SRCD priority focus areas as identified in the [SRCD Long Range Plan](#). Provide additional attachments as needed.

For the past 2 years I have volunteered as an Associate Director for the Sloughouse RCD. During this time, I was appointed as co-chair of the RCD Outreach Committee. I've served as a coordinator for the install of new monitoring telemetry in 2024, and accepted a recent appointment to an ad hoc group investigating expanding the SRCD's current service area.

I am also the chair of the Cosumnes Groundwater Authority Outreach & Engagement Committee, and a former member of the disbanded Citizens Advisory Committee.

I have been active attending meetings for the CGA, the SRCD, and also Galt Irrigation District meetings, as well as continuing expand my knowledge about SGMA by receiving DWR Notices, listening to groundwater related podcasts, subscribing to publications, and attending online educational events.

I, the undersigned, agree that the provided information is accurate, that I meet the qualifications to serve as an SRCD Director as outlined in Public Resource Code 9352, and that, if appointed to the SRCD Board of Directors, I will comply with all laws, regulations, and policies applicable to Directors.

Teresa Flewellyn
Applicant Signature

September 23, 2024
Date



SLOUGHHOUSE

Resource Conservation District
8698 Elk Grove Blvd., Elk Grove, CA 95624

Application to Serve on the SRCD Board of Directors

NAME: Stephen J. Greene

RESIDENCE ADDRESS: 12425 Pear Lane, Wilton CA

MAILING ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: 916-529-7575

EMAIL: sjg@greeneroberts.com

Please provide a brief description of your background and qualifications and any other relevant documents you believe support your eligibility and nomination, including relevant experience and/or education (ex: resume), with particular emphasis on SRCD priority focus areas as identified in the [SRCD Long Range Plan](#). Provide additional attachments as needed.

See attached resume and application statement.

I, the undersigned, agree that the provided information is accurate, that I meet the qualifications to serve as an SRCD Director as outlined in Public Resource Code 9352, and that, if appointed to the SRCD Board of Directors, I will comply with all laws, regulations, and policies applicable to Directors.


Applicant Signature

10-2-2021
Date

**Sloughhouse Resource Conservation District
Board of Directors Meeting**

Agenda Date: October 9, 2024

Agenda Item #: #3

Agenda Item Subject: **SRCD Audit**

To: SRCD Board of Directors

From: SRCD Staff

Background

Blomberg & Griffin (John Blomberg, CPA) have completed the last several years of audits for Sloughhouse RCD. According to [Government Code Section 12410.6 \(b\)](#), RCDs are required to change audit reviewer at least every six years. SRCD will need to complete the 22-23 and 23-24 audit this year. In order to comply with this order, another partner at the firm, Syed Bukhari, CPA, will conduct our audit for past two fiscal years.

Attachments:

- Independent Audit Proposal, Blomberg & Griffin Accountancy Corporation

Staff Recommendations:

- Authorize Staff to enter into agreement for auditing service with Blomberg & Griffin for FY 22-23 and FY 23-24



Blomberg & Griffin Accountancy Corporation
Certified Public Accountant

INDEPENDENT AUDIT PROPOSAL

Board of Directors
Sloughhouse Resource Conservation District
8698 Elk Grove Blvd, Suite I-207
Elk Grove, CA 95624

September 24, 2024

Dear Board Members

Thank you for the opportunity to submit the following proposal to serve as independent auditor for the Sloughhouse Resource Conservation District.

We propose to conduct the audits of the financial statements of the Sloughhouse Resource Conservation District for the fiscal year's ended June 30, 2023, and 2024.

We will plan and perform the audits in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and State Controller's minimum audit requirements for California Special Districts and will include tests of the accounting records and other procedures considered necessary under the circumstances. If our audit report is other than unmodified, we will fully discuss the reason with the District's manager prior to presentation of the report. If during the audit we become aware of significant deficiencies in the design or operation of internal controls or of ways management practices can be improved, we will communicate such information to the District Board of Directors in a separate letter.

We propose to begin the audits for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2023, and 2024, as soon as the District records are available. Set-up, pre-list, and certain other procedures would begin on notification of the contract. Fieldwork would begin soon after District personnel complete the trial balance.

Our fee for the above services is based on hourly rates from \$75 to \$150. per hour with a maximum fee not to exceed \$4,975. for the two-year audit ended June 30, 2023, and 2024.

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This audit proposal is for a financial audit and the above fees include our entire out of pocket expenses including up to 7 bound copies of the audit report. Additional copies are available at \$10 each.

We will need the cooperation and assistance of District personnel to successfully complete the audit. Such assistance will include but not limited to obtaining copies of documents, contract, invoices, etc., various audit inquiries and assistance with preparation of the audit confirmations and other standard auditing procedures.

Should the District need additional services, our fee assisting will be billed at the rate of \$150 per hour in addition to the audit fee discussed above. Such additional fees, if any, will be discussed with the District in advance of providing such services.

Should you need any additional information regarding this proposal please call Syed. Bukhari, C.P.A. direct at (209) 466-3894.

Respectfully Submitted,



Syed Bukhari, C.P.A.

Approved By:

Signature

Dated

**Sloughhouse Resource Conservation District
Board of Directors Meeting**

Agenda Date: October 9, 2024
 Agenda Item #: #4
 Agenda Item Subject: **Fall Monitoring Processes for SRCD**

To: SRCD Board of Directors
 From: SRCD Staff

Background

For the last several years, CGA has conducted and carried out the monitoring of Sloughhouse RCD wells. With the addition this year of a Water Efficiency Program Coordinator, SRCD staff will work with O’Sullivan Pump Co. to complete the groundwater monitoring. The Fall Monitoring requires water levels be collected and water quality samples be taken for certain, selected wells.

Staff has scheduled the monitoring to take place on Thursday, October 10 and Friday October, 11, 2024. This will include Clay WD and Galt ID’s wells with 13 water levels to be measured and 4 water quality samples to be taken in total.

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Sup-WL5	--	07N08E10K002M	SRCD
RMW-WL11	--	SH_Washburn	SRCD
Sup-WL1	--	SH_ClayStationRanch	SRCD
RMW-WL8	--	06N06E11J003M	SRCD
RMW-WL9	RMW-WQ13	75 HP Wohle	Clay Water
RMW-WL7	--	06N06E33J002M	SRCD
Sup-WL9	RMW-WQ14	SH_Vanwarmerdam	Galt Irrigation District
RMW-WL5	RMW-WQ3	SH_Mulrooney	Galt Irrigation District
Sup-WL7	RMW-WQ4	SH_Garcia	SRCD
Sup-WL2	--	USGS-381956121053401	SRCD
RMW-WL12	--	06N08E15J001M	SRCD
RMW-ISW4	--	06N06E22C001M	SRCD
RMW-ISW8	--	07N08E36B001M	SRCD

**Sloughhouse Resource Conservation District
Board of Directors Meeting**

Agenda Date: October 9, 2024

Agenda Item #: #5

Agenda Item Subject: **Grant Updates**

To: SRCD Board of Directors

From: SRCD Staff

Background – CAPGP

Sloughhouse RCD was awarded \$199,800 from the [California Department of Food and Agriculture’s \(CDFA\) Conservation Agriculture Planning Grant Program \(CAPGP\)](#) and the SRCD Board has already begun to work on the 2-year grant contract agreement.

- SRCD has entered into agreements with these certified conservation planners to write the plans.
 - Matthew Wacker – 2 Grazing Management Plans in Sacramento County and 1 in Tuolumne County
 - Harol Gallardo – 8 Soil Health Plans (1 in Tuolumne, 7 in Sac County), 7 Carbon Farming Plans (4 in Sacramento County and 1 in Tuolumne) and 1 CEMA Carbon Sequestration Plan in Sacramento County
 - Molly Taylor – 3 Carbon Farming Plans in Alpine County
 - Ian Vielli – 2 Irrigation Water Management Plans in Sacramento County
- Identifying landowners whose property will receive the conservation plans.
 - Interest form: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/SRCDconservationplanning>
 - 6 landowners are currently working with TSP’s and 6 have been completed
 - The remaining round of applications will be open until the slots are filled up (10 conservation plans remain open at this time).
- SRCD Staff Time for the Grant totals around \$19,250 to reimbursed to us

Background – CDFA Water Efficiency Technical Assistance Grant

On July 28th, the CA Dept. of Food and Agriculture (CDFA) announced that Sloughhouse Resource Conservation District has been selected to receive a Water Efficiency Technical Assistance (WETA) award in the amount of \$ 432,153.00. CDFA staff has finalized the grant agreement documents including the Scope of Work and Budget. The end date for this grant is slated to be March 31, 2026.

The grant application requested funds to cover personnel costs (roughly 4% FTE of the District Manager position, 8% FTE of the Admin Coordinator position, and a Water Efficiency Program

Coordinator at 75% FTE), supplies, travel, employee training, outreach supplies, and pump efficiency test. Under this agreement, an outside contractor/consultant can also be hired and utilized to complete project objectives.

WETA Update

- Irrigation Evaluation held at an irrigated pasture in Clay on Tuesday 10/8/24
- Staff is working to prepare, advertise and host a Water Efficiency Workshop that will be hosted at the Wilton Community Center on October 5th at 10 AM. Staff will present about the District, CGA and the Mobile Irrigation Program. Other presentations will also be provided by UCANR, NRCS, Sacramento Valley Conservancy & Wildeye.
- As of 10/4/24, 28 community members have signed up through Eventbrite. We expect to have 10-20 additional attendees who have not signed up.

Background – DWR CalSIP

DWR is currently seeking to fund public entities to improve stream gage infrastructure and bridge data gaps as part of the Stream Gage Improvement Program (CalSIP). Through CalSIP, public agencies can receive technical assistance to upgrade, reactivate, or install new surface water monitoring stations, at no additional cost to them, that will share important stream flow data that can help inform water management decisions.

Applications are currently open on a monthly basis until the end of December 2024. SRCD Staff is currently working with Tish Espinosa, Wildeye Telemetry and (possibly) Sacramento County to research Dry Creek (2) and Deer Creek stream gage activation. Staff is also looking into data gap areas where the basin may benefit from a new stream gage. It is important to note that once DWR funding expires, the district is responsible for costs associated with maintaining the stream gages going forward.

Staff is hopeful that we will be ready to submit an application by October 31, 2024 to reactive at least 3 gages in the Cosumnes Subbasin.

Links: [CalSIP Program Guidelines](#)
[CalSIP GIS Public Map](#)

**Sloughhouse Resource Conservation District
Board of Directors Meeting**

Agenda Date: October 9, 2024

Agenda Item #: #6

Agenda Item Subject: **Cosumnes Groundwater Authority Update**

To: SRCD Board of Directors

From: SRCD Staff

Cosumnes Groundwater Authority (CGA) Overview

Links: [Board Meeting Materials](#) | [Committee Meeting Materials](#)

Upcoming CGA Board Meetings

Next Regular Meeting

- Wednesday, December 4, 2024, 8:30-11:30am
- Location: Galt Police Department, 455 Industrial Dr., Galt, CA 95632
- Topics: Member Contributions, Groundwater Monitoring Report, CGA Audit

Upcoming Events

CGA's O & E Committee will be in attendance at the upcoming events for October 2024:

1. Wilton Firefighters Association Chili Cook-Off and Classic Car Show – Saturday, October 12, 2024 from 10am – 4pm
2. Galt Cemetery Dia De Los Muertos – Tuesday, October 26 from 9am – 2pm

RECOMMENDATION:

- Board Discussion on CGA activities – general

**Sloughhouse Resource Conservation District
Board of Directors Meeting**

Agenda Date: October 9, 2024

Agenda Item #: #7

Agenda Item Subject: **South American Subbasin Groundwater Sustainability Plan
Implementation**

To: SRCD Board of Directors

From: SRCD Staff

South American Subbasin Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) Implementation

Links: [South American Subbasin Website](#)

SASb Updates

Sloughhouse RCD attended the SASb Managers Meeting on October 4th. They are currently finalizing their FY 24-25 budget including member contributions. SRCD is currently represented by one representative and has an assignable GSP Administration and Implementation cost of 3.7%. Member contribution agreements will be sent out in early Spring to the GSA's.

There was discussion on the GSP 5-year update including the scope of work involved with meeting the requirements including possible amendments needed for GSP review. To fill data gaps, SASb will also be applying for the DWR CalSIP grant to implement two new stream gages in the South American Subbasin.

SASb Domestic Well Advisory Group

The Fall Meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 15 in-person at the Elk Grove Water District and on-line at 3:30pm. This meeting will go over the SB 552 overview including the County's Drought Resilience Plan and Task Force, the GSP Implementation, and funding.

**Sloughhouse Resource Conservation District
Board of Directors Meeting**

Agenda Date: October 9, 2024
Agenda Item #: #8
Agenda Item Subject: SRCD Staff Report
To: SRCD Board of Directors
From: SRCD Staff

Staff Updates

- Staff has working to upgrade the office space diligently. Staff is currently working with members of the Board to finalize a decision on a lease for a printer. The lease from the landlord Dave Utterback, is being looked over and will be signed over to us hopefully in October 2024.
- Staff recommends that the Board look to reschedule the December 2024 and January 2025 Board meeting dates. The December 11th meeting date is during the CARCD conference which staff will be attending. The January 8th meeting date is the week after New Year's in which staff and many Board members (hopefully) will be on holiday.