

To: Ojai Basin Groundwater Management Agency Board of Directors  
From: Cece VanDerMeer  
Date: April 7, 2013  
Subject: Minutes of the Board Meeting of March 27, 2014

The Regular Meeting of the Ojai Basin Groundwater Management Agency was called to order at 5:00 PM at the Pope Plaza Conference Room.

**Attendees were:** Board Members: Jerry Conrow; President, Roger Essick, Ken Petersen, Betsy Clapp and Russ Baggerly Alternate; Mary Bergen and Secretary/Treasurer Cece VanDerMeer.

Also in attendance: Tim Becker; Kear Groundwater and Elizabeth Martinez; Ventura County Watershed Protection District.

1. **PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:** No public comments were received.
2. **Minutes:** On motion by Baggerly and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Petersen the minutes of the February 27, 2014 meeting were approved.
3. **Treasurer's Report:** The Treasurer's reports were received and filed.
4. **D.B. Stephens Proposal for Basin Model Update:** Tabled for the April 24, 2014 meeting.
5. **Kear Groundwater Service Contract:** Tabled for the April 24, 2014 meeting.
6. **Annual Report Draft:** Tim Becker with Kear Groundwater received some additional corrections from the Board Members for the draft copy of the Annual Report. Becker reported that he will be using the 2012 report to serve as a boilerplate for the 2013 report. Becker will be preparing the 2013 Draft Annual Report for Board review at the April 24, 2014 meeting. Becker requested that VanDerMeer provide the extraction information and any other information that the Board would like included in addition to the 2012 matters.

7. **Watershed Coalition Update:** Baggerly reported that there has been no funding made available to the Coalition.
8. **2014/2015 Budget:** Jerry Conrow and Ken Petersen will be on the 2014/2015 Budget Committee.
9. **Drought Condition:** Tabled for the April 24, 2014 Board meeting.
10. **Progress Reports:**
  - a. **San Antonio Creek Recharge Project V-2 New Grant Application Pending Prop 84 Implementation:** Elizabeth Martinez with the Ventura County Watershed Protection District provided an update on the V-2 Project:

Project construction, which began in September 2013, is about 90 percent complete as of March 27, 2014. Work performed to date includes clearing/grubbing, construction of the access road and low-flow crossing, pond scarification, concreted riprap transfer channels and overflow channel, recharge pipeline, completion of the four recharge wells, installation of the intake structure and fish screen, fencing, and hydroseeding. Work remaining to be completed includes installation of the 24 inch pipeline valve and actuator (estimated delivery date May 2, 2014). Power pole and meter installation, fish screen cleaner and flow sensor, and electrical and communications installation. Martinez distributed photos documenting construction progress and provided a copy of the Proposition 50 Component Report and a copy of the As-Build Drawings. A PDF copy of the Component Report will be provided for posting to the OBGMA website. Martinez noted that the February 28 - March 1, 2014 rain event resulted in stream flow of up to 80 cfs in San Antonio Creek at the project's intake site (i.e., high enough flow for the project to have diverted for recharge). Construction is expected to be complete by the end of June 2014. A ribbon-cutting ceremony may be planned shortly thereafter.

**b. Basin Water Level Report:** Petersen reported that the San Antonio Well #4 was pumping at 182 gpm with a draw down level of 411' and a static level was 225'.

**c. Kear Groundwater monthly Report:** Becker reported that Basin conditions appear to be stable although low water levels require continued attention. With typical use, the 2014 summer season will not likely draw basin storage to historic (1951) lows in key wells.

Kear Groundwater will be programming and installing additional loggers as they come in. Current targeted wells are the Conrow well and the Elrod Well. Signed authorizations from each well owner will be required from each well owner to allow installations of the devices.

Becker stated that logger data are very useful but value is often best exemplified with long-term records. As an example, the loggers in the SACSGRP DDMW are key in seeing relationships between precipitation and recharge to the basin. This year in particular, we have the late February to early March storm systems, creek flow, and groundwater level data. For our April meeting we should have data from the precipitation, creek flow, and stratified aquifer recharge.

**11. Director Reports and Comments (Board Members):**

Ojai Water Conservation District: Conrow reported that there will be a new Board member appointed to the OWCD.

Mutual's: None

City Of Ojai: None

Golden State Water Company: None

Casitas Municipal Water District: Baggerly reported that Lake Casitas was 61.1% full and 523.98 feet above sea level with 150,948 acre feet.

**ADJOURN** -- The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 pm. The next regular meeting will be March 27, 2014 at 5:00pm

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Jerry L. Conrow, President