



# SHANDON-SAN JUAN WATER DISTRICT

## SHANDON-SAN JUAN GSA

### UNAPPROVED MEETING MINUTES

#### April 26, 2023

The Board of Directors of the Shandon-San Juan Water District (SSJWD) and Shandon-San Juan Groundwater Sustainability Agency (SSJGSA) held a regularly scheduled meeting on Wednesday, April 26, 2023, at 9:00am. Virtual options were made available for public participation. The agenda and all supporting documents were posted at <https://www.ssjwd.org/agendas-minutes>.

#### **I. Call to Order**

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President Cunha called the meeting to order at 9:00am on Wednesday, April 26, 2023, and Secretary Stephanie Bertoux recorded the minutes.

#### **II. Roll Call**

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Directors Present:	Willy Cunha	Steve Sinton
	Ray Shady	Matt Turrentine

Directors Absent: Marshall Miller

#### **III. Public Comment**

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No public comment received.

#### **IV. Discuss and Consider Hiring Consultants to Complete an Initial Environmental Assessment and Other Work Related to SSJGSA’s Two Applications to the SRWCB for Supplemental Water**

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Director Turrentine reported that the SSJGSA has engaged Wagner and Bonsignore to assist with updating and further refining SSJGSA’s two applications for supplemental water. Phase I tasks include, but are not limited to, coordination with SWRCB staff to identify and address deficiencies, review and analysis of issues associated with right of access and pipeline capacity, hydrogeological data of the Salina River watershed and Lake Nacimiento operations, and recommendations for SSJGSA’s next steps. Phase I has a not to exceed budget of \$30,000.

#### **V. Update from GSI Water Solutions, Inc. on SSJGSA Streamflow and Groundwater Level Measurements**

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Nate Page, GSI Water Solutions, Inc., provided an update on the recent synoptic streamflow survey and groundwater level measurements taken right after the winter storms in March. Streamflow measurements were collected from 19 sites over the course of two days in early April. For this study, flow rates were compared between adjacent sites to identify gaining and losing stream reaches. When streamflow is ‘lost’ between two points of measurement it is assumed that the difference in flow volume percolates through the stream bed, recharging the underlying aquifer. The locations where losing stream reaches were identified in the study are consistent with the current Hydrogeological Conceptual Model of the Basin. Results from this study can be incorporated into a future update to the Basin groundwater model, which will improve SSJGSA’s ability to evaluate groundwater recharge and the interaction of surface water and groundwater.

#### **VI. Update on Executive Order N-4-23**

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President Cunha reported the following. On May 3, 2023, 9am-12pm, the Department of Water Resources is offering a 180-Day Technical and Regulatory Assistance Program Workshop for Recharge Projects Using High Flows.

Pre-registration is required. The SSJGSA would like to discuss and consider pursuing a temporary permit for the coming season. This could be done in partnership with the PBCC. This item will be discussed at a future meeting.

### **VII. PBCC Statement of Equity**

Supervisor Bruce Gibson circulated a second draft of the expanded statement regarding equity for GSP Implementation dated March 31, 2023. The draft equity statement is being circulated to the GSA's for input with the end goal of adopting one comprehensive, basin-wide statement. The Board reviewed the statement and edited the document during the meeting. The Board directed Secretary Stephanie Bertoux to send [SSJGSA's suggested revisions](#) to Supervisor Gibson via Blaine Reely's office.

### **X. Consent Agenda**

The following motion was made by Director Sinton, seconded by Director Shady, and passed 4-0 with a roll call vote.

**MOTION – Approve the minutes from the March 22, 2023 board meeting and the Secretary/Treasurer's Report dated April 20, 2023, as presented.**

### **IX. Director's Reports**

- A. Director Sinton reported that the WRAC held a meeting on April 5, 2023. Key agenda items included a presentation from City of San Luis Obispo Staff on Water Conservation Program updates and review of the proposed San Luis Obispo County Flood Control and Water Conservation District Budget for FY 2023/2024.
- B. President Cunha reported that the [Salinas River Symposium](#) will be held on May 5, 2023, 9am-3pm, at the Atascadero Library or Via Zoom. Program highlights include status of GSP implementation, water law and ecological sustainability in the Salinas River, Salinas River Watershed Coordination, Multibenefit Land Repurposing Program and other related topics. SLO County Director of Sustainability Blaine Reely is a guest speaker.
- C. President Cunha reported that the PBCC will meet on April 26, 2023 at 4pm. The public has the option to attend in person at the Paso Robles Library or via Zoom.

### **XI. Next Meeting**

The SSJWD/SSJGSA Board of Directors will hold a regularly scheduled meeting on Wednesday, May 24, 2023, at 9am.

### **XII. Adjourn**

President Cunha adjourned the meeting at 10:30am.

**Accepted:**

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Stephanie Bertoux, Secretary  
May 24, 2023