

**SANTA YNEZ RIVER VALLEY GROUNDWATER BASIN WESTERN  
MANAGEMENT AREA GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY  
(WMA GSA) BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**Agenda Item 4.a: Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of February 25, 2026**

The following is a summary of the actions taken at the WMA GSA Board of Directors Meeting. The official record for the meeting is the recording that can be found at:

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Agenda Item	Discussion or Action
<b>1. Call to Order and Roll Call</b>	Chair Ball called the meeting to order at approximately 2:00 PM (00:00:00). Executive Director Daniel Heibel called roll to begin the meeting. Chair Ball, Director Stassi, Director Jordan, Director Keeling, and Director Diethofer (ONLINE) were present.
<b>2. Pledge of Allegiance</b>	(00:01:10)
<b>3. Public Comment</b>	(00:01:37) None
<b>4. Consent Agenda</b>  <b>a. Review and consider approval of meeting minutes for the Special Meeting of November 19, 2025.</b>  <b>b. Review and consider approval of Monthly Financial Reports and Warrant List.</b>  <b>c. New WMA GSA Well Permit Approved by County of Santa Barbara EHS.</b>	<b>Introduction of the Item</b> (00:02:20)  <b><u>Board Discussion</u></b> (00:04:52)  <b><u>Public Comment</u></b> None.  <b><u>Board Action</u></b> (00:11:33) The Board moved to approve Item 4  <b>Motion:</b> Director Jordan <b>Second:</b> Director Keeling <b>Ayes:</b> 4 <b>Nays:</b> N/A <b>Abstains:</b> N/A <b>Passes:</b> 4/0
<b>5. Action Items</b>	
<b>5.a. Election or Appointment of Officers.</b>	<b>Introduction of the Item</b> (00:11:49)  <b><u>Board Discussion</u></b> (00:13:09)  <b><u>Public Comment</u></b> None.  <b><u>Board Action</u></b> (00:14:20) The Board moved to keep board officer positions the same in 2026 as they were in 2025, with the provision that they should be changed next year.  <b>Motion:</b> Director Stassi <b>Second:</b> Director Jordan <b>Ayes:</b> 4 <b>Nays:</b> N/A <b>Abstains:</b> N/A

	Passes: 4/0
<b>6. Informational Items</b>	
<b>6.a. Receive presentation on Draft WMA-specific Water Year 2025 GSP Annual Report, Fall 2025 Groundwater Monitoring Results, and update on GSP 5-Year Evaluation from Stetson Engineers.</b>	<p><b>Introduction of the Item</b> (00:16:05)</p> <p><b><u>Board Discussion</u></b> (00:38:23)</p> <p><b><u>Public Comment</u></b> None.</p>
<b>6.b. Verbal Report from Executive Director on WMA GSA initiatives.</b>	<p><b>Introduction of the Item</b> (00:57:28)</p> <p><b><u>Board Discussion</u></b> (00:58:26)</p> <p><b><u>Public Comment</u></b> None.</p>
<b>6.c. Receive Update from Executive Director on the Potential Addition of Ag Director to the WMA GSA Board.</b>	<p><b>Introduction of the Item</b> (01:04:17)</p> <p><b><u>Board Discussion</u></b> (01:09:27) The Board provided direction to staff to come back to the Board with a redline JPA amendment to add a voting Agricultural Representative Director to the Board and an informational document (General Questions and Answers regarding the potential addition of an Ag Director to the WMA GSA Board).</p> <p><b><u>Public Comment</u></b> None.</p>
<b>6.d. Verbal Report from Executive Director on Financial Audit in progress</b>	<p><b>Introduction of the Item</b> (01:29:00)</p> <p><b><u>Board Discussion</u></b> None.</p> <p><b><u>Public Comment</u></b> None.</p>
<b>6.e. WMA GSA Legal Counsel Updates.</b>	<p><b>Introduction of the Item</b> (01:31:50)</p> <p><b><u>Board Discussion</u></b> (01:33:27)</p> <p><b><u>Public Comment</u></b> None.</p>
<b>7. Consider Date/Time for Next Regular and/or Special Meetings of the WMA GSA.</b>	<p><b>Introduction of the Item</b> (01:34:20)</p> <p><b><u>Board Discussion</u></b> (01:35:58)</p> <p><b><u>Public Comment</u></b> None.</p>
<b>8. WMA GSA Board of Director Reports and Requests for Future Agenda Items.</b>	<p><b>Introduction of the Item</b> (01:37:27)</p> <p><b><u>Board Discussion</u></b> (01:37:40) Director Jordan requested an item to look at potential consolidation/streamlining opportunities for GSA efforts, including primarily annual reporting. Director Stassi</p>

	requested an item to keep track of how DWR Recommended Corrective Actions are being addressed.  <b><u>Public Comment</u></b> None.
<b>9. Adjournment</b>	Meeting adjourned at approximately 3:45 PM (01:45:33).



Charlotte Arnao, Board Secretary