

SANTA MARGARITA GROUNDWATER BASIN ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

**Wednesday, April 19, 2017– 4:00 p.m.
Santa Margarita Community Room
2 Civic Center Drive, Scotts Valley, California**

Meeting Report

The Santa Margarita Groundwater Basin Advisory Committee consists of members from the Scotts Valley City Council, Scotts Valley Water District (SVWD) Board of Directors, San Lorenzo Valley Water District (SLVWD) Board of Directors, and County of Santa Cruz Board of Supervisors and/or Water Advisory Commission. There may be a quorum of one or more of the governing bodies in attendance at the meetings.

1. Convene Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 4:03 p.m. in the Santa Margarita Community Room, 2 Civic Center Drive, Scotts Valley, California.

Present: C. Baughman, San Lorenzo Valley Water District, Donna Lind, City of Scotts Valley, Bruce McPherson, County of Santa Cruz and Chris Perri, Scotts Valley Water District. Twenty eight others were in attendance.

2. May 11, 2016 Meeting Report.

Donna Lind moved approval of the May 11, 2016 Meeting Report. Approved by voice vote

3. Oral Communications

There were no oral communications.

4. Discussion Items

4.1 Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) Update

Derrick Williams, HydroMetricsWRI.com presented an update on the SGMA and its components. He responded to questions from Committee members and the audience. [Click here](#) to view the presentation.

4.2 Santa Margarita Groundwater Sustainability Agency (GSA) Formation – Draft Joint Powers Agreement (JPA)

The Santa Margarita GSA draft JPA is based on the Mid-County Groundwater Agency JPA and has an eleven member Board comprised of two elected officials from San Lorenzo Valley Water District, Scotts Valley Water District and County of Santa Cruz; one representative from the City of Scotts Valley and City of Santa Cruz; one representative from Mt. Hermon Association and two representatives that are private well owners or small public water systems.

A lengthy discussion ensued. Several community members expressed dissatisfaction with the JPA and cited concerns with City of Santa Cruz Board representation; board members being appointed by board members; private well representation; tiered voting structure and serving at the pleasure of the Board.

This item was referred to the Santa Margarita GSA formation committee for further action.

4.3 Dissolution of the Santa Margarita Groundwater Basin Advisory Committee

This item was not discussed.

5. The meeting adjourned at 6:03 p.m.