SOUTHWEST KINGS GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY
Regular Board Meeting
Minutes
February 6, 2026

The Board of Directors of the Southwest Kings Groundwater Sustainability Agency met at 19813 Madison Avenue, Stratford, California, on Friday, February 6, 2026, at the hour of 9:00 a.m.

Chair Vidovich presided and Staci Wilkins recorded the minutes.

Directors Present: John Vidovich
Craig Andrew
Jim Wilson

Directors Absent:

Others Present: Amer Hussain, Geosyntec
Staci Wilkins
Ceil Howe, Jr.
Jaime Howe
Julie Martella
Johnny Gailey, South Fork Kings
Antonio Solorio, Westlands Water District
Gunther Vecpuisis
Monserrat Solis, SJV Water
Mark Gilkey

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments.

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Approval of Minutes of the Special Board Meeting held on January 30, 2026

   On the motion of Director Andrew and seconded by Director Wilson, the Board voted to approve the Minutes as presented. (3-0)

ACTION CALENDAR

2. Consider action to approve the 2026 Budget.

   On the motion of Director Andrew and seconded by Director Wilson, the Board voted to approve the 2026 Budget. (3-0)

3. Consider action to approve the Well Meter Policy.

   On the motion of Director Andrew and seconded by Director Wilson, the Board voted to approve the Well Meter Policy with revisions. Guntars Vecpuisis will be hired as an independent contractor to install, maintain, and read the meters monthly. The Board will ratify a contract at the next meeting. (3-0)

4. Consider action to schedule a special meeting on Friday, February 13, 2026.

   On a motion of Director Andrew and seconded by Director Wilson, the Board voted to schedule a special meeting on Friday, February 13 at 2:00 p.m. at 19813 Madison Avenue, Stratford. (3-0)

UPDATES

5. Tulare Lake Subbasin

   Mr. Hussain noted there will be a meeting with State staff on Monday for the subbasin. This may result in changes that need to be made to the GSP. The goal will be to have a draft of the GSP ready for review by the end of March. He will continue to work with legal to draft the letter the GSA will need to file for exclusion from fees. Director Vidovich stated that Kettleman City should have priority when it comes to how much water can be used by SWK landowners.

It was noted that a Closed Session would not be held without counsel present.

CLOSED SESSION

6. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION
   Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (d) of Government Code section 54956.9 (one potential case)

ADJOURNMENT

7. There being no further business to come before the Board on the occasion of the February 6, 2026, meeting, a motion was made by Director Andrew and seconded by Director Wilson to adjourn the meeting at 9:18 a.m. (3-0) The next Board meeting is scheduled for 2:00 p.m. on February 13, 2026, at 19813 Madison Avenue, Stratford, or as otherwise directed by the Board.

Attest:

Craig Andrew, Vice Chair

Jim Wilson, Secretary