

MOUND BASIN GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY

NOTICE OF MEETING*

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Mound Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency (“Agency”) Board of Directors (“Board”) will hold a **Board Meeting** at **10:00 A.M. on Thursday, July 20, 2017** at the **Community Meeting Room**, 501 Poli Street, California 93001.

MOUND BASIN GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY BOARD OF DIRECTORS

AGENDA

Thursday, July 20, 2017

- 1. CALL TO ORDER**
- 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- 3. DIRECTOR ANNOUNCEMENTS**
- 4. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT APPEARING ON THE AGENDA**

The Board will receive public comments on items not appearing on the agenda and within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Agency. The Board will not enter into a detailed discussion or take any action on any items presented during public comments. Such items may only be referred to the Executive Director or other staff for administrative action or scheduled on a subsequent agenda for discussion. Persons wishing to speak on specific agenda items should do so at the time specified for those items. The presiding Chair shall limit public comments to three minutes.

5. ACTION ITEMS

a. Appointment of Agricultural Stakeholder Director

The Board will review the nomination submitted by the Mound Basin Ag Water Group (MBAWG) for the Agricultural Stakeholder Directors and consider appointing Mr. Allen Camp to the Board as the Agricultural Stakeholder Director.

b. Appointment of Environmental Stakeholder Director

The Board will review the nomination submitted by the Nature Conservancy for the Environmental Stakeholder Director and consider appointing Mr. Connor Everts to the Board as the Environmental Stakeholder Director.

c. Discussion of Legal Services

The Board will discuss the need for legal services and consider directing staff to develop an RFP to solicit legal services for the MBGSA.

** In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, all possible accommodations will be made for individuals so they may attend and participate in meetings.*

d. Review of Deadlines

The Board will discuss the deadlines in the Joint Powers Agreement for developing bylaws, approving a budget, appointing a treasurer/auditor, and developing a local conflict of interest code.

6. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

7. ADJOURNMENT

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MOUND BASIN GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY

Item No. 5(a)

DATE: July 20, 2017
TO: Board of Directors
SUBJECT: Appointment of Agricultural Stakeholder Director

SUMMARY

Article 6 of the Joint Powers Agreement (“JPA Agreement”) provides that one Director on the Board of Directors shall be representative of agricultural stakeholders and interests (“Agricultural Stakeholder Director”) within the Mound Basin (“Basin”). This Agricultural Stakeholder Director shall meet the qualifications specified in the JPA Agreement and shall be appointed by a vote of all Member Directors. The Board of Directors has received one nomination for the Agricultural Stakeholder Director.

There is no fiscal impact associated with the review of nominations for an Agricultural Stakeholder Director.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

The Board will review the nomination submitted by MBAWG for the Agricultural Stakeholder Directors and consider appointing Mr. Allen Camp to the Board as the Agricultural Stakeholder Director.

BACKGROUND

Section 6.1 of the JPA Agreement provides that the Mound Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency (“Agency”) shall be governed by a Board of Directors composed of five Directors, one of which shall be representative of agricultural stakeholders and interests within the Basin.

Section 6.1.2(a) of the JPA Agreement requires the Agricultural Stakeholder Director to “meet one of the following criteria: (i) own, as an individual or shareholder, trustee, limited liability company member or manager, or as a member of any other owner entity, land overlying the Basin (at least partially) that is utilized for a commercial agricultural business that produces groundwater from the Basin for its agricultural operation; or; (ii) operate a commercial agricultural business that itself produces groundwater from the Basin for its agricultural operations on land overlying the Basin and be an approved stakeholder representative by that property’s owner..”

The JPA Agreement further requires the Agricultural Stakeholder Director to be unanimously selected by the Member Directors from a list of one or more qualified nominees submitted by the Mound Basin Ag Water Group (MBAWG), or the Farm Bureau if the MBAWG is unwilling or unable to nominate potential directors.

The Directors have received a nomination for Mr. Allen Camp from MBAWG. The nomination and information on Mr. Camp are attached, and he will be available to answer additional questions at the meeting.

FISCAL SUMMARY

There is no fiscal impact associated with this action.

Action: _____

Motion: _____ 2nd: _____

J.McDermott___ M.Mobley___ G.Shephard___

From: Neal P. Maguire [<mailto:nmaguire@fcoplaw.com>]

Sent: Wednesday, June 21, 2017 1:21 PM

To: Tony Morgan; McDermott, Joe; Hogan, Miles; Glenn Shephard (Glenn.Shephard@ventura.org)

Subject: Mound Basin GSA

I wanted to let you know that MBAWG nominated Allen Camp as the agricultural stakeholder representative.

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Business

President, Camp Ranch Company, Inc.

- Developed, own and manage 150+/- acre lemon farm in Ventura California. 1991-present

Numerous Entities

- Officer, manager or owner, as applicable, of various business entities engaged in ownership, development and management of agricultural, residential, industrial, storage/warehouse and commercial real estate ventures and investments. 1988-present

Saticoy Lemon Association

- Member, Board of Directors 2010-present
- Vice Chairman 2012-present
- Member, Executive Committee 2012-present
- Chairman, Pension Committee

Fruit Growers Supply Company

- Member, Board of Directors 2012-present
- Member, Executive Committee 2015-present

Porterville Citrus, Inc.

- Member, Board of Directors 2015-present
- Chairman, Compensation Committee 2015-present

Swift Memorial Health Care Foundation

- Member, Board of Directors 1990-present
- Chairman, Investment Committee

Attorney - Private Practice 1982-1993

- Land use practice representing private sector clients with obtainment of land use entitlements from various local, state and federal governmental agencies

Blyth Eastman Dillon & Co. 1977-1979

- Investment Analyst/Advisor

Education

- Graduate of Wachusett Regional High School, Holden, Massachusetts 1972
- BA Business Administration - Fort Lewis College 1977
- JD cum laude - Pepperdine University School of Law 1982
- Licensed attorney, California Bar No. 107151 (currently inactive) 1982

Personal

- Married to Marilyn 1978-present
- Father to Sarah 31, Eric 28, Natalie 26
- Resident of Ojai, California

MOUND BASIN GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY

Item No. 5(b)

DATE: July 20, 2017
TO: Board of Directors
SUBJECT: Appointment of Environmental Stakeholder Director

SUMMARY

Article 6 of the Joint Powers Agreement (“JPA Agreement”) provides that one Director on the Board of Directors shall be representative of environmental stakeholders and interests (“Environmental Stakeholder Director”) within the Mound Groundwater Basin (“Basin”). This Environmental Stakeholder Director shall meet certain qualifications specified in the JPA Agreement and shall be appointed by a vote of all Member Directors. The Board of Directors has received one nomination for the Environmental Stakeholder Director.

There is no fiscal impact associated with the review of nominations for an Environmental Stakeholder Director.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

The Board will review the nomination submitted by the Nature Conservancy for the Environmental Stakeholder Director and consider appointing Mr. Connor Everts to the Board as the Environmental Stakeholder Director.

BACKGROUND

Section 6.1 of the JPA Agreement provides that the Mound Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency (“Agency”) shall be governed by a Board of Directors composed of five Directors, one of which shall be representative of environmental stakeholders and interests within the Basin.

Section 6.1.3 of the JPA Agreement requires the Environmental Stakeholder Director to “be an active member of a nonprofit, 501(c)(3) organization which has an adopted budget and, at the sole discretion of the Member Directors, meets the following requirements: (i) is currently active within lands overlying the Mound Basin; and (ii) has a mission that advances, or is furthered by, groundwater sustainability.”

The JPA Agreement further provides that the Member Directors shall select the Environmental Stakeholder Director from “a nominee nominated by the following environmental organizations collectively:

1. Friends of the Santa Clara River
2. California Trout
3. National Audubon Society
4. Sierra Club
5. Santa Clara River Watershed Conservancy
6. Los Padres ForestWatch

7. Central Coast Alliance United for a Sustainable Economy
8. The Nature Conservancy
9. Wishtoyo Foundation
10. Keep Sespe Wild
11. Surfrider Foundation
12. CFROG (Citizens for Responsible Oil & Gas)

or, The Nature Conservancy if, and only if, the aforementioned list of organizations is unwilling or unable to nominate a potential Environmental Stakeholder Director.”

The Board of Directors received a nomination from the Nature Conservancy for Mr. Conner Everts following a meeting of the above organizations. Information on Mr. Everts is attached, and he will be available to answer additional questions at the meeting.

FISCAL SUMMARY

There is no fiscal impact associated with this action.

Action: _____

Motion: _____ 2nd: _____

J.McDermott___ M.Mobley___ G.Shephard___

From: E.J. Remson [<mailto:eremson@TNC.ORG>]

Sent: Wednesday, June 7, 2017 4:15 PM

To: Shephard, Glenn <Glenn.Shephard@ventura.org>; Guardado, Mauricio <mauriciog@unitedwater.org>

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Subject: Environmental Stakeholder Representative Nomination for the Mound Basin GSA

Hello Mr. Shepard & Mr. Guardado,

On Monday, the Santa Clara River Environmental Groundwater Committee met to select a nominee to the Mound Basin GSA. The committee selected Conner Everts affiliated with the Friends of the Santa Clara River as our nominee (FSCR is not a membership organization).

Mr. Everts can be reached at 310.804.6615 or connere@gmail.com

Thank you for the opportunity to submit this nomination.

E.J.

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Conner Everts

Current Affiliations:

Executive Director of the Southern California Watershed Alliance

Facilitator of the statewide Environmental Water Caucus

Co-chair of the Desal Response group

Previous Experience:

Chair of the Ojai Basin Groundwater Management Agency

Board member for Casitas Municipal Water District

ACWA groundwater committee

Groundwater workshops on SB3030 with Public Officials for Water And Environmental Reform (POWER)

MOUND BASIN GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY

Item No. 5(c)

DATE: July 20, 2017
TO: Board of Directors
SUBJECT: Discussion of Legal Services

SUMMARY

The Joint Powers Agreement (“JPA Agreement”) provides that the Agency may contract with a Member or other public agency or private entity for various services. The Agency may require the services of legal counsel for routine operations or compliance with the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act of 2014 (“SGMA”).

RECOMMENDED ACTION

The Board will discuss the need for legal services and consider directing staff to develop an RFP to solicit legal services for the MBSGA.

BACKGROUND

The JPA Agreement provides that the Agency may contract with a Member or other public agency or private entity for various services, including without limitation, those related to the Authority’s finance, purchasing, risk management, information technology and human resources. A written agreement shall be entered between the Authority and the Member or other public agency or private entity contracting to provide such service, and that agreement shall specify the terms on which such services shall be provided, including without limitation, the compensation, if any, that shall be made for the provision of such services.

FISCAL SUMMARY

Depending on the direction of the Board, there could be a fiscal impact associated with this item.

Action: _____

Motion: _____ 2nd: _____

J.McDermott___ M.Mobley___ G.Shephard___

MOUND BASIN GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY

Item No. 5(d)

DATE: July 20, 2017
TO: Board of Directors
SUBJECT: Review of Deadlines

SUMMARY

The Joint Powers Agreement (“JPA Agreement”) provides requirements and a schedule for the Agency to develop bylaws, approve an annual budget, appoint a treasurer/auditor, and develop a local conflict of interest code.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

The Board will discuss the deadlines in the JPA Agreement for developing bylaws, approving a budget, appointing a treasurer/auditor, and developing a local conflict of interest code.

BACKGROUND

Bylaws

Article 11 of the JPA requires the Board of Directors to draft and approve Bylaws of the Authority to govern the day-to-day operations of the Authority. The Bylaws shall be adopted at or before the first anniversary of the Board’s first meeting and may be amended from time to time.

Local Conflict of Interest Code

Section 8.5 of the JPA requires the Board of Directors to adopt a local conflict of interest code pursuant to the provisions of the Political Reform Act of 1974 (Government Code sections 81000, et seq.).

Appointment of Treasurer and Auditor

Section 13.3 of the JPA prescribes that the treasurer and Auditor shall be appointed in the manner, and shall perform such duties and responsibilities, specified in sections 6505, 6505.5 and 6505.6 of the Act. The treasurer shall be bonded in accordance with the provisions of section 6505.1 of the Act.

Budget

Article 14 of the JPA provides that within one hundred and twenty (120) days after the first meeting of the Board of Directors, and thereafter prior to the commencement of each fiscal year, the Board shall adopt a budget for the Authority for the ensuing fiscal year. In the event that a budget is not so approved, the prior year’s budget shall be deemed approved for the ensuing fiscal year, and any groundwater extraction fee or assessment(s) of contributions by Members, or both, approved by the Board during the prior fiscal year shall again be assessed in the same amount and terms for the ensuing fiscal year.

FISCAL SUMMARY

There is no fiscal impact associated with this action.

Action: _____

Motion: _____ 2nd: _____

J.McDermott___ M.Mobley___ G.Shephard___