

**Santa Rosa Plain Groundwater Sustainability Agency
Advisory Committee Meeting
MEETING SUMMARY**

Meeting date/time: October 30th, 2017 | 3:30 pm – 5:30 pm

Location: Windsor Council Chambers, 9291 Old Redwood Highway, Windsor, CA 95492

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MEETING RECAP

- Brittany Jensen, Interim Administrator for the Santa Rosa Plain Groundwater Sustainability Agency (GSA) welcomed all attendees and kicked off the first GSA Advisory Committee meeting.
- Advisory Committee Members received an informational presentation on the Brown Act. As a standing committee of the Santa Rosa Plain GSA Board of Directors, the Committee must operate in compliance with the Brown Act.
- Marcus Trotta of the Sonoma County Water Agency (Water Agency) provided an overview of the 2014 Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA), the formation of the Santa Rosa Plain GSA, and a Proposition 1 funding application currently being prepared by the Water Agency to support development of a Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) for the Santa Rosa Plain. Brittany Jensen followed with a presentation on a forthcoming rate study which will be undertaken to determine mechanisms for covering the GSA’s short-term operational needs during the time the GSP is being developed. Members offered a range of comments and questions about the Committee’s role, the forthcoming fee study, baseline data collection during the rainy season, and local versus state costs of GSA implementation.
- The facilitator introduced and led group discussion of a draft Advisory Committee charter. The charter provides a governance structure for how the group collaborates in its consensus-seeking efforts to provide advice and recommendations to the GSA Board of Directors on GSP development and implementation, and on GSA policies. Committee Members offered a few comments and questions, most centered around whether or not the Committee should establish a quorum, what role the chair might play, and how, if new text is added, the charter may be adopted at the next meeting.
- At various times during the meeting, members of the public contributed comments, including a request that the Advisory Committee engage in outreach to disadvantaged communities and a question about whether or not the Santa Rosa Plain basin boundaries will be redrawn to include the Wilson Grove.
- Ann Dubay of the Water Agency described the need for an Outreach and Communication Plan to keep the public informed of the GSA’s work, and the collaborative efforts of the Advisory Committee. A draft Plan will be introduced and discussed at the next Committee meeting.
- Brittany Jensen introduced the Draft Work Plan for the Committee and the Board.

Summary of Action Items

<i>Action Item</i>	<i>Responsible Party</i>	<i>Deadline</i>
Submit any desired changes to Committee biographies to Brittany Jensen	Advisory Committee Members	November 10, 2018

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Share relevant links from Brown Act presentation and Ethics Training	Brittany Jensen	November 1, 2018
Make changes to draft charter based on Committee input	Rich Wilson	November 14, 2018
Send any additional comments or suggested edits to the draft Committee charter to Brittany Jensen	Advisory Committee Members	November 10, 2018

Next meeting: December 4th, 3:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m., City of Santa Rosa’s Utility Field Office (UFO), 35 Stony Point Rd.

Website for meeting material posting: <http://sonomacountygroundwater.org/srp-advisory-committee/>

Meeting Attendees¹

<i>Advisory Committee Members</i>	<i>Staff</i>
Agriculture, David Long (not present)	Brittany Jensen, Interim Administrator Adriana Stagnaro, Gold Ridge RCD Marcus Trotta, Sonoma County Water Agency Ann Dubay, Sonoma County Water Agency Lauren Dunlap, Sonoma County Water Agency Rich Wilson, Center for Collaborative Policy (facilitator)
Agriculture, Bob Anderson	
Business, Joe Gaffney	
Environmental, Rue Furch	
Environmental, Sebastian Bertsch	
Rural Residential, Doug Beretta	
Rural Residential, Marlene Soiland	
City of Cotati, Craig Scott	
City of Rohnert Park, Mary Grace Pawson	
City of Santa Rosa, Jennifer Burke	
City of Sebastopol, Henry Mikus	
County of Sonoma, Mark Grismer (arrived at 5pm)	
Federated Indians of Graton Rancheria, Maureen Geary	
Gold Ridge RCD, Matt O'Connor	
Independent Water Systems, Chris Bates	
Sonoma County Water Agency, Carolyn Dixon	
Sonoma RCD, Wayne Haydon	
Town of Windsor, Toni Bertolero	

¹ In addition to Advisory Committee Members and staff, several members of the public attended the meeting.