MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
WESTSIDE DISTRICT WATER AUTHORITY GSA

Held September 23, 2026

A special meeting of the Board of Directors (the "Board") of Westside District Water Authority Groundwater Sustainability Agency (the "WDWA GSA") was held in-person on September 23, 2026, at 12:00 p.m., at 21908 7th Standard Road, McKittrick, CA, 93251.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Rob Goff called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m. and presided thereat.

ROLL CALL

The following directors were present: Rob Goff, Jeremy Blackwell, Rod Stiefvater, Alan Scroggs, and Brad Kroeker.

The following individuals were also present: Kimberly Brown, Morgan Campbell, Trevor Maggart, Justin Rowe, Jamie Marquez, Carrie Heredia, Nicole Veteto, Mike Scott, Tom Watson ("Consultant"), Christine Zimmerman, Mark Zimmerman, Andrew Mason, David Chapin, Paul Bowles, Juan Campos, and Alex Dominguez ("Legal Counsel").

CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

There were no changes to the consent agenda.

WDWA GSA OPERATIONS

Rod Stiefvater joined the meeting at this time.

Consider and take appropriate action on the WDWA GSA Subsidence Investigation Report for California Aqueduct Pools 23 to 25 (Mile Posts 195 to 215): Tom Watson presented to the Board an overview of the WDWA GSA Subsidence Investigation Report for California Aqueduct Pools 23 to 25 (Mile Posts 195 to 215).

Among other things, Tom presented the key findings of the report to the Board. He explained that the data demonstrates that WDWA GSA actions are not contributing to significant groundwater changes in elevation or storage that would induce the rate and extent of subsidence documented in Pools 23 to 25; that the east limb of the anticline extends beneath the Aqueduct resulting in produced water being withdrawn from under

the Aqueduct as evidenced by oil company data; that the InSAR time series for the RMS in question show that subsidence due to oil field activities likely propagate to the west and the east from the crest of the anticline and beyond the administrative boundaries of the Lost Hills Oilfield ("LHOF"); and that gypsum, sulfur, and other soil components present in soils within WDWA GSA are detrimental over time to the type of concrete used to construct the Aqueduct from MP 195 to 215.

Tom explained that the report concludes that:

> *"it is more likely than not that Non-GSA factors such as oil field extraction activities and geotechnical factors such as soil types (gypsum mining), applied loading, lack of comprehensive pre-construction hydro-compaction, seepage and ponding and percolation of runoff against and beneath the Aqueduct, are the principal causes of subsidence identified in Pools 23 to 25 (MP 195 to 215)."*

Finally, Tom ended the presentation with technical recommendations including continuing the existing WDWA GSA management actions; continuing coordination with CASP, DWR, and CalGEM; requesting that CASP/DWR conduct a combined LiDAR survey and summer season thermal imagery survey at the study site to assess for potential seepage; and collaborating with USGS on its current subsidence study as it pertains to the Aqueduct.

After discussion, on motion of Jeremy Blackwell, seconded by Rod Stiefvater, and unanimously carried, the Board received and filed the exceedance report as presented as follows:

AYES:	Rob Goff Jeremy Blackwell Brad Kroeker Rod Stiefvater Alan Scroggs
NOES:	None
ABSENT:	Kimberly Brown

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – NON AGENDIZED ITEMS)

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Christine Zimmerman provided public comment regarding the exceedance investigation report on behalf of the Western States Petroleum Association ("WSPA"), the Chevron Corporation, and California Resources Corporation ("CRC"), who also had representatives at the meeting. She explained that they did not have sufficient time to review the draft report in depth, and that they were working on detailed written comments to be released at a future date to the Board, CASP, DWR, and CalGEM. Christine highlighted that their interpretation of the data does not align with the conclusions of the exceedance report and expressed that they would be happy to collaborate with WDWA GSA and continue to collaborate with CalGEM and CASP to provide data and analysis where applicable.

EXECUTIVE (CLOSED) SESSION)
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The Chairman directed that the Board move into closed session at 12:30 p.m. Legal Counsel advised the Board that it has authority to hold a closed session under Government Code sections 54956.9(d)(2), and 54956.9(d)(4). All persons other than the Directors and staff thereupon retired from the meeting.

Following the closed session, the meeting was again open to the public at 1:00 p.m. Legal Counsel advised that no reportable action was taken in the closed session.

ADJOURNMENT)
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There being no further business to come before the Board, said meeting was adjourned at 1:02 p.m.

Rod Stiefvater
Secretary of the Board of Directors

APPROVED:

Rob Goff
Chairman of the Board of Directors