

# MINUTES

# Owens Valley Groundwater Authority

## Board Members:

INDIAN CREEK-WESTRIDGE CSD	Luis Elias	BIG PINE CSD	BryAnna Vaughan
COUNTY OF MONO	Rhonda Duggan	LONE PINE PAIUTE SHOSHONE TRIBE	Mel Joseph
CITY OF BISHOP	Karen Kong	OWENS VALLEY COMMITTEE	Mary Roper
COUNTY OF INYO	Dan Tothoroh		

February 11, 2021

The Owens Valley Groundwater Authority meeting was called to order at 2:02 p.m. via videoconference.

### 1. Pledge of allegiance

The Chairperson led the pledge of allegiance.

### 2. Public Comment

The Chairperson opened up public comment. Sally Manning and Philip Anaya requested to have the ability to view the zoom attendee list.

### 3. Introductions

The Board introduced themselves with no alternates in attendance.

### 4. Approval of minutes from the January 14, 2021 Board meeting

The Chairperson requested a motion to approve the minutes of the January 14, 2020 meeting. Rhonda Duggan requested the heading be updated and her comment in item 5 reflect "through the GSP process", and date change on the minutes. Motion to approve as corrected by Mary Roper, seconded by Luis Elias. The Chairperson requested a roll call vote; Luis Elias – Y, Rhonda Duggan – Y, Karen Kong – Y, Dan Tothoroh - Y, BryAnna Vaughan – Y, Mel Joseph - abstain, Mary Roper - Y. Motion passed 6 Yes, 1 abstention.

### 5. Board Member Reports

Rhonda Duggan stated she had been attending the CSAC rural caucus and an exchange of ideas for the vaccine rollout in rural counties and an LTC meeting regarding the storm and how it impacted north county with avalanches and snow removal. She attended a meeting with the Mono Lake tribe to work with them on goals in north county. Karen Kong thanked Aaron Steinwand for walking her through the [ovga.us](http://ovga.us) website.

### 6. OVGA staff reports

- a. Financial Report
- b. Owens Lake update

Laura Piper, Inyo County Water Department provided the financial report and stated the OVGA cash balance is \$215,767.65; expenses were \$37,882.50 to consultant. Philip Anaya asked if we were saving money by holding zoom meetings on consultants travel, Dr. Steinwand stated yes. Dr. Steinwand stated the Owens Lake groundwater habitat and working groups met last week; LA staff and consultants provided presentations on the hydrologic work conducted over the previous year; an update was provided on proposed pumping test for test well east; and DWP expects to release a draft CEQA analysis in the next few weeks; an update was

provided by Dr. Steinwand on OVGA activities and reported the GSP is being prepared assuming it could apply to the Owens Lake.

#### **7. Stakeholder engagement update**

Dr. Steinwand stated the first community outreach meeting was conducted last night covering Round Valley to Lone Pine which was attended by sixteen members of the public; the meeting was advertised on the radio as well as valley wide newspapers. It reviewed SGMA; the OVGA and GSP process; and introduced the sustainability management criteria that has been presented to the Board the past few months. He stated another meeting will be held next week for the southern portion of the valley south of Lone Pine and he had reached out to each Owens Valley tribe to schedule meetings. He encouraged the public to review the Communications and Engagement Plan located on the [ovga.us](http://ovga.us) website. Sally Manning inquired how the comments in the outreach meetings will be communicated to the OVGA Board. Philip Anaya stated the LTWA participants should come up with a voluntary GSP for the adjudicated portion of the basin, not associated with DWR to assist with the issues of management across the adjudicated/non-adjudicated boundary; and find some way to manage the water flow above the Chandler Decree flows for groundwater recharge in west Bishop to avoid the 2015 issues. April Zrelak asked if there can be a page on the [ovga.us](http://ovga.us) website to leave public comments. Sally Manning stated the Communication and Engagement Plan discusses social media.

#### **8. Approval of revisions to the Conflict of Interest Code**

John Vallejo provided a brief overview of the former Conflict of Interest Code and the current amendment. April Zrelak asked if a Board member has a conflict of interest, is that public information and does it require them to recuse themselves of some votes. John Vallejo stated the form 700 is a public document but what she is asking is a separate analysis from this form. Motion to adopt the resolution notifying the public that there is a public comment period and to approve the revision of the Conflict of Interest Code; Motion to approve by Dan Totheroh, seconded by Karen Kong. The Chairperson requested a roll call vote; Luis Elias – Y, Rhonda Duggan – Y, Karen Kong – Y, Dan Totheroh - Y, BryAnna Vaughan – Y, Mel Joseph - Y, Mary Roper - Y. Motion passed 7 Yes.

#### **9. Presentation from Daniel B. Stephens and Associates on elements of the Groundwater Sustainability Plan**

Tony Morgan provided a detailed power point presentation discussing subsidence; monitoring systems; and satellite data imagery. The consultants, Board and staff discussed this in detail. Sally Manning asked clarifying questions regarding INSAR with the consultant. April Zrelak asked if the INSAR data can be added to the interactive map. Edie Trimmer stated she assumed the loss of storage could only go one way as only a permanent loss. Sally Manning stated the cartoons used from the DWP website are misleading.

#### **10. Discussion regarding future agenda items and set next OVGA meeting**

The Board requested an update on the stakeholder engagement progress; presentation from the consultant; an update on the Indian Wells Valley; and a list of requests from the consultant to LADWP for data. The next meeting was scheduled for March 11, 2021. Philip Anaya requested the Indian Wells update; Edie Trimmer inquired when basin wide measurements are taken will it force LADWP and the OVGA to come to some agreement because they are one basin; Sally Manning stated how will the issue with the adjudicated/non adjudicated boundary affect Big Pine if a minimum threshold is hit on LADWP lands. Lynn Boulton asked if there are any riparian corridors, springs, or GDE's that are on federal land near the boundary of the OVGA GSP area and could we monitor on federal lands close to the boundary if pumping in the Owens Valley impacts the sensitive area.

#### **10. Adjourn**

The Chairperson adjourned the meeting at 4:03 pm.

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GL 621601-1000	TTLCR	AutoID: CS20722A Job: 2728577	CR	07/22/20	02728577	52,859.66	0.00	386,101.90
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GL 621601-1000	TTLOH	AutoID:WD19721B Job:2734188	OH	07/29/20	02734188	0.00	66.24	408,524.26
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GL 621601-1000	TTLOH	AutoID:WD19805A Job:2747387	OH	08/17/20	02747387	0.00	2,174.85	430,375.31
GL 621601-1000	TTLOH	AutoID: CI20818A Job: 2749131	CR	08/18/20	02749131	75,513.66	0.00	505,888.97
GL 621601-1000	TTLOH	AutoID:WD19811A Job:2749832	OH	08/19/20	02749832	0.00	1,438.50	504,450.47
GL 621601-1000	TTLOH	AutoID:OW20827C Job:2758428	OH	08/31/20	02758428	0.00	33,944.66	470,505.81
GL 621601-1000	TTLOH	AutoID:WD19825A Job:2760763	OH	09/02/20	02760763	0.00	2,494.90	468,010.91
GL 621601-1000	JE37592	AutoID: JR20C15B Job: 2787152	JE	10/15/20	02787152	0.00	3,000.00	465,010.91
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GL 621601-1000	TTLOH	AutoID:OB21107G Job:2837270	OH	01/12/21	02837270	0.00	37,882.50	215,767.65
GL 621601-1000	TTLOH	AutoID:WD201216B Job:2862067	OH	02/23/21	02862067	0.00	2,184.00	213,583.65
GL 621601-1000	TTLOH	AutoID:OB21224G Job:2864850	OH	02/26/21	02864850	0.00	31,211.50	182,372.15
GL 621601-1000	INTEREST	AutoID: JA20308Z Job: 2870655	JE	03/08/21	02870655	866.84	0.00	183,238.99
*****Total *OBJT 1000		CLAIM ON CASH			DR	510,189.43	326,950.44	183,238.99
GL 621601-1160	YEAREND	3. Balance Forward 2019/2020	JE	07/01/20	02834594	1,371.90	0.00	1,371.90
GL 621601-1160	INTRCBL	4th QTR INTEREST RVRS	JE	08/04/20	02740435	0.00	1,371.90	0.00
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GL 621601-2000	TTLOH	AutoID:WD19721A Job:2734188	OH	07/29/20	02734188	165.40	0.00	37,624.25
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GL 621601-2000	TTLOH	AutoID:WD19825A Job:2760763	OH	09/02/20	02760763	2,494.90	0.00	0.00
GL 621601-2000	TTLOH	AutoID:OB20C30A Job:2796227	OH	10/30/20	02796227	0.00	2,275.00	2,275.00
GL 621601-2000	TTLOH	AutoID:OB20C30A Job:2796630	OH	11/02/20	02796630	2,275.00	0.00	0.00
GL 621601-2000	TTLOH	AutoID:WD20028B Job:2798240	OH	11/03/20	02798240	0.00	5,673.75	5,673.75
GL 621601-2000	TTLOH	AutoID:WD20028B Job:2798921	OH	11/04/20	02798921	0.00	0.00	0.00
GL 621601-2000	TTLOH	AutoID:OB20N12B Job:2803602	OH	11/12/20	02803602	0.00	78,259.75	78,259.75
GL 621601-2000	TTLOH	AutoID:OB20N12B Job:2804082	OH	11/13/20	02804082	0.00	0.00	0.00
GL 621601-2000	TTLOH	AutoID:OB20N24F Job:2811282	OH	11/24/20	02811282	0.00	10,800.00	10,800.00
GL 621601-2000	TTLOH	AutoID:OB20N30A Job:2812959	OH	11/30/20	02812959	0.00	36,818.00	47,618.00
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GL 621601-2000	TTLOH	AutoID:OB20D10F Job:2820273	OH	12/11/20	02820273	2,316.00	0.00	0.00
GL 621601-2000	TTLOH	AutoID:OB20D15A Job:2822529	OH	12/15/20	02822529	0.00	67,021.70	67,021.70
GL 621601-2000	TTLOH	AutoID:OB20D15A Job:2822929	OH	12/16/20	02822929	67,021.70	0.00	0.00
GL 621601-2000	TTLOH	AutoID:OB21107G Job:2834074	OH	01/07/21	02834074	0.00	37,882.50	37,882.50
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GL 621601-2000	TTLOH	AutoID:WD20216B Job:2862067	OH	02/23/21	02862067	2,184.00	0.00	0.00
GL 621601-2000	TTLOH	AutoID:OB21224G Job:2863578	OH	02/24/21	02863578	0.00	31,211.50	31,211.50
GL 621601-2000	TTLOH	AutoID:OB21224G Job:2864850	OH	02/25/21	02864850	31,211.50	0.00	0.00
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GL 621601-3000	YEAREND	1. Balance Forward 2019/2020	JE	07/01/20	02834594	0.00	59,494.71	59,494.71
GL 621601-3000	YEAREND	2. Balance Forward 2019/2020	JE	07/01/20	02834594	0.00	161,981.52	221,476.23
*****Total *OBJT 3000		FUND BALANCE AVAILABLE			CR	0.00	221,476.23	221,476.23
GL 621601-4301	INTEREST	1ST QRT 20/21 INTEREST	JE	12/21/20	02826547	0.00	1,027.13	1,027.13
GL 621601-4301	INTEREST	2ND QRT 20/21 INTEREST	JE	03/08/21	02870655	0.00	866.84	1,893.97
*****Total *OBJT 4301		INTEREST FROM TREASURY			CR	0.00	1,893.97	1,893.97
GL 621601-4599	JE37035	20/21 INYO OVGA CONTRIBUTION	JE	07/22/20	02728031	0.00	75,513.66	75,513.66
GL 621601-4599	CR119092	I#3 OVGA GSP CONTRIBUTION	CR	07/22/20	02728577	0.00	52,859.66	128,373.32
GL 621601-4599	JE37069	I#3 OVGA GSP DEVELOPMENT	JE	07/29/20	02733834	0.00	22,654.00	151,027.32
GL 621601-4599	CR119368	I#3 WESTPRIDGE/INDIAN CREEK	CR	08/05/20	02739981	0.00	22,654.00	173,681.32
GL 621601-4599	CR119566	I#3 20/21 OVGA-MONO CO 2020-21	CR	08/18/20	02749131	0.00	75,513.66	249,194.98
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GL 621601-5155	GS200710060	GOLDEN STATE RI ACCT#OWENVAL	OH	09/01/20	02759412	2,494.90	0.00	2,494.90
*****Total *OBJT 5155		PUBLIC LIABILITY INSURANCE			DR	2,494.90	0.00	2,494.90
GL 621601-5263	70243	INYO REGISTER, CUST#01110862	OH	07/28/20	02733181	165.40	0.00	165.40
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GL 621601-5265	042420	FECHTER & COMPA 18/19 AUDIT OV	OH	10/30/20	02796227	2,275.00	0.00	2,275.00
GL 621601-5265	244576	DANIEL B STEPHE INYO CO PROJ#D	OH	11/12/20	02803602	78,259.75	0.00	80,534.75
GL 621601-5265	6607	ALPEN ARETE OVGA WEBSITE DESIG	OH	11/24/20	02811282	10,800.00	0.00	91,334.75
GL 621601-5265	245042	DANIEL B STEPHE INYO CO PROJ#D	OH	11/30/20	02812959	36,818.00	0.00	128,152.75
GL 621601-5265	111220	FECHTER & COMPA 18/19 AUDIT OV	OH	12/10/20	02819778	2,316.00	0.00	130,468.75
GL 621601-5265	243077	DANIEL B STEPHE INYO CO PROJ#D	OH	12/15/20	02822529	48,031.95	0.00	178,500.70
GL 621601-5265	243552	DANIEL B STEPHE INYO CO PROJ#D	OH	12/15/20	02822529	18,989.75	0.00	197,490.45
GL 621601-5265	245844	DANIEL B STEPHE INYO CO PROJ#D	OH	01/07/21	02834074	37,882.50	0.00	235,372.95
GL 621601-5265	246495	DANIEL B STEPHE INYO CO PROJ#D	OH	02/24/21	02863578	31,211.50	0.00	266,584.45
*****Total *OBJT 5265		PROFESSIONAL & SPECIAL SERVICE			DR	266,584.45	0.00	266,584.45
GL 621601-5539	JE37592	OVGA-BOARD STAFF JUL-SEP20	JE	10/15/20	02787152	3,000.00	0.00	3,000.00
GL 621601-5539	202101	MONO COUNTY JUL-SEP 2020 OVGA	OH	11/03/20	02798240	5,673.75	0.00	8,673.75
GL 621601-5539	JE38067	JUL-SEPT2020 STAFF OVGA BOARD	JE	12/14/20	02821410	9,223.69	0.00	17,897.44
GL 621601-5539	202102	MONO COUNTY 10/20-12/20 MONO C	OH	02/18/21	02859888	2,184.00	0.00	20,081.44
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**COUNTY OF INYO**  
**Budget to Actuals with Encumbrances by Key/Obj**

Ledger: GL

As Of 3/9/2021

Object	Description	Budget	Actual	Encumbrance	Balance	%
<b>Key: 621601 - OVGA-OWENS VALLEY GROUNDWATER</b>						
<b>Revenue</b>						
4301	INTEREST FROM TREASURY	4,000.00	1,893.97	0.00	2,106.03	47.34
4498	STATE GRANTS	311,284.00	0.00	0.00	311,284.00	0.00
4599	OTHER AGENCIES	249,195.00	249,194.98	0.00	0.02	100.00
<b>Revenue Total:</b>		<u>564,479.00</u>	<u>251,088.95</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>313,390.05</u>	<u>44.48</u>
<b>Expenditure</b>						
5129	INTERNAL COPY CHARGES (NON-IS)	1,500.00	0.00	0.00	1,500.00	0.00
5155	PUBLIC LIABILITY INSURANCE	2,500.00	2,494.90	0.00	5.10	99.79
5263	ADVERTISING	2,000.00	165.40	0.00	1,834.60	8.27
5265	PROFESSIONAL & SPECIAL SERVICE	319,534.00	266,584.45	309.00	52,640.55	83.52
5291	OFFICE, SPACE & SITE RENTAL	1,500.00	0.00	0.00	1,500.00	0.00
5311	GENERAL OPERATING EXPENSE	500.00	0.00	0.00	500.00	0.00
5539	OTHER AGENCY CONTRIBUTIONS	104,470.00	20,081.44	0.00	84,388.56	19.22
5901	CONTINGENCIES	13,290.00	0.00	0.00	13,290.00	0.00
<b>Expenditure Total:</b>		<u>445,294.00</u>	<u>289,326.19</u>	<u>309.00</u>	<u>155,658.81</u>	<u>65.04</u>
621601	<b>Key Total:</b>	<u>119,185.00</u>	<u>(38,237.24)</u>	<u>(309.00)</u>	<u>157,731.24</u>	

**COUNTY OF INYO  
UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCES**

AS OF 03/09/2021

WDIR	- WATER	Claim on Cash	Accounts Receivable	Loans Receivable	Prepaid Expenses	Accounts Payable	Loans Payable	Deferred Revenue	Computed Fund Balance	Encumbrances	Fund Balance	Undesignated
6272	OVGA-OWENS VALLEY	183,239							183,239	309	182,930	
WDIR	Totals	183,239							183,239	309	182,930	
<b>Grand Totals</b>		<b>183,239</b>							<b>183,239</b>	<b>309</b>	<b>182,930</b>	



# OWENS VALLEY GROUNDWATER AUTHORITY

Members: Big Pine CSD – City of Bishop – County of Inyo – County of Mono – Indian Creek-Westridge CSD  
Interested Parties: Lone Pine Paiute Shoshone Tribe – Owens Valley Committee

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## Staff Report

Date: March 11, 2020

Subject: Agenda item # 8: Presentation of draft 2021-22 OVGA Budget

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On October 23, 2017, the Board of Directors adopted an initial budget in effect during the preparation of the Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP). That three-year Development Budget (GSPDB) outlined expected expenditures necessary for the OVGA to fulfill its SGMA obligations and guide members' decisions regarding funding contributions. It was expected that the GSPDB would be reviewed and adjusted annually. The Joint Powers Agreement (JPA) requires the Executive Manager present a draft annual budget to the OVGA Board of Directors and each of the Members by April 1 each year (Article III, Section 3.1.7). This agenda item and staff report presents the 2021-2022 draft annual budget. A final budget must be adopted by a majority of the votes of the OVGA Directors on or before May 1 (Article I, Section 5.8). The 2021-2022 approved budget amends the GSPDB (Article II, Section 4.1).

The draft budget for the period of July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022 is presented in Table 1. The draft budget differs substantially from last year's annual budget with the primary adjustments pertaining to the amount of revenue and reduced expenditures due to the consultant's technical work on the GSP being nearly complete. The OVGA primarily relies on locally derived funding from member contributions as well as state-derived funding, the Proposition 1 grant. The members fulfilled their required funding commitments in 2020, and the 2021-22 budget contains no anticipated revenues from additional contributions from members. The 2021-22 budget relies largely on expected Proposition 1 grant reimbursements for GSP work and grant administration completed during the current fiscal year that are expected to be approved by the Department of Water Resources in FY 2021-22. (The Cost and Rate study is the only task expected to be completed by the consultant in the next fiscal year). The Proposition 1 grant includes a 10% retention on invoices for GSP development and grant administration which is also expected to be reimbursed at the conclusion of the grant in early 2022. A modest estimate of interest earned on OVGA accounts is also included in the budget.



Expected expenditures for 2021-22 include fiscal and staff services, professional services for the GSP and audit contractors, insurance, the reserve fund contribution, and miscellaneous expenses. Anticipated fiscal expenditures include general liability insurance and a contribution to the reserve fund which are unchanged from last year's budget. The OVGA entered into not-to-exceed contracts for staff services with Inyo County, City of Bishop, and Mono County in 2019 including for Inyo to act as fiscal agent for the OVGA. The contract limits included in the draft 2020-21 budget are unchanged from the existing contracts as they are adequate to fulfill staffing requirements. While the staffing model exceeds the assumptions and costs in the original GSPDB, no additional contributions are needed from Member Agencies to fund this staffing model. The primary advantages of the collaborative staffing model have been the ability to rely on geographic and technical expertise beyond that provided by the Inyo County Water Department and the ability to delegate tasks among a larger staff. Professional Services in the 2019-2020 Draft Budget include costs for the Cost and Rate study and costs for the audit by Fechter and Company. The Board approved a three year contract with the auditing firm in 2019. Miscellaneous expenses in the budget are the same as last year except the advertising budget was increased by \$1000 in anticipation of two public workshops in the late summer and fall before the draft GSP is considered.

The OVGA Bylaws (Article VII, Section 1) require that the projected expenses not exceed projected revenues. In accordance with the bylaws, the budget is balanced.

**Table 1: Draft FY 2021-22 OVGA budget.**

<b>Revenues</b>	
Interest from treasury	\$4,000
Other Agencies (member contributions)	\$0
Grant Funding	
(a) Grant Administration	\$18,750
(b) Stakeholder Engagement Plan	\$0
(c) GSP Development	\$130,792
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$153,542</b>
<b>Expenditures</b>	
<b>Fiscal Services</b>	
Insurance	\$2,500
Reserve Fund	\$13,290
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$15,790</b>
<b>Staff Services</b>	
Agency: Inyo, Executive Manager	
(a) Staff services	\$33,970
(b) Grant Administration	\$13,000
Agency: Inyo, Legal	\$18,000
Agency: Inyo, Fiscal Agent/Financial Services	\$4,000
Agency: Mono, Administrative & Legal	\$33,000
Agency: Bishop, Administrative	\$5,500
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$107,470</b>
<b>Professional Services</b>	
Website Development	\$0
Outside Audit	\$4,850
DBS&A	\$7,500
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$12,350</b>
<b>Miscellaneous Expenses</b>	
Internal Copy Charges	\$1,500
Advertising	\$3,000
Office, Space & Site Rental	\$1,500
General Operating	\$500
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$6,500</b>
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>\$142,110</b>
<b>Anticipated carry over balance</b>	<b>\$11,432</b>