

OJAI BASIN GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT AGENCY
Minutes of the Special Board Meeting of March 27, 2025

The Special board Meeting of March 27, 2025, of the Ojai Basin Groundwater Management Agency was called to order at 5:00 PM in the Council Chambers, Ojai City Hall, 401 S. Ventura Street, Ojai, CA 93023.

Attendees were: Board Members: Richard Hajas, Jim Finch, Bob Daddi and Andrew Whitman. General Manager Julia Aranda and Secretary/Treasurer Cece VanDerMeer.

Also in attendance: Peter Candy, Attorney and Jordan Kear, Consultant.

1. **Call to Order and Roll Call:** Chair Hajas called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. VanDerMeer called the roll.
2. **PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT APPEARING ON THE AGENDA:**
None
3. **Board Hearing to Consider the Imposition of a Fine and/or Civil Penalty to be Assessed Against the Owner/Operator of State Well No. 04N23W12K04S:**
 - a. Consider the imposition of a one-time fine not to exceed \$500 to be assessed against the owner/operator of State Well No. 04N23W12K04S, located at property address 741 Saddle Lane (APN 024-0-120-05), for the intentional failure of the owner/operator to equip the well with a water flow measuring device prior to the compliance deadline established by the Board of Directors of January 30, 2025
 - b. Consider the imposition of an additional daily civil penalty in the range of \$20 to \$50 per day to be assessed against the owner/operator of State Well No. 04N23W12K04S, located at property address 741 Saddle Lane (APN 024-0-120-05) for the continuing failure of the owner/operator to equip the well with a water flow measuring device from the established compliance deadline of January 30, 2025, through the Board hearing date of March 27, 2025 (a total of 56 days)
 - c. Approve Resolution No. 2025-01
Finch motioned to approve Resolution No. 2025-1 requiring a one-time fine of \$500 and a civil penalty of \$2,800 equivalent to \$50 per day for 56 days. Whitman seconded.
Roll Call vote:
Ayes: Daddi, Whitman, Finch and Hajas
Noes: None

- 4. Board Hearing to Consider the Imposition of a Fine and/or Civil Penalty to be Assessed Against the Owner/Operator of State Well No. 05N22W32H01S:**
- a. Consider the imposition of a one-time fine not to exceed \$500 to be assessed against the owner/operator of State Well No. 05N22W32H01S, located at property address 1226 Ladera Road (Assessor's Parcel No. 014-0-060-480), for the intentional failure of the owner/operator to equip the well with a water flow measuring device prior to the compliance deadline established by the Board of Directors of January 30, 2025
 - b. Consider the imposition of an additional daily civil penalty in the range of \$20 to \$50 per day to be assessed against the owner/operator of State Well No. 05N22W32H01S, located at property address 1226 Ladera Road (Assessor's Parcel No. 014-0-060-480) for the continuing failure of the owner/operator to equip the well with a water flow measuring device from the established compliance deadline of January 30, 2025, through the Board hearing date of March 27, 2025 (a total of 56 days)
 - c. Approve Resolution 2025-2
Finch motioned to approve the Board to impose one-time fine of \$500 and a civil penalty of \$2,800 equivalent to \$50 per day for 56 days.
Whitman seconded.
Roll Call vote:
Ayes: Daddi, Whitman, Finch and Hajas
Noes: None

5. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:30pm. The next regular scheduled meeting will be April 24, 2025, at 3:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber in Ojai City Hall, 401 S. Ventura Street, Ojai.

ATTEST: _____