

OJAI BASIN GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT AGENCY
Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of March 26, 2026

The Regular Meeting of March 26, 2026, of the Ojai Basin Groundwater Management Agency was called to order at 3:00 PM in the Council Chambers, Ojai City Hall, 401 S. Ventura Street, Ojai, CA 93023.

Attendees were: Board Members: Richard Hajas, Bob Daddi, Andrew Whitman (arrived 3:06) and Mike Weaver. General Manager Julia Aranda and Secretary/Treasurer Cece VanDerMeer.

Also in attendance: Peter Candy, Attorney and Jordan Kear, Consultant (via Zoom)

1. Call to Order and Roll Call: Chair Hajas called the meeting to order at 3:00pm. VanDerMeer called the roll.

2. Pledge of Allegiance: Led by Hajas.

3. Director Announcements/Reports/Comments:

Mutuals: None

Ojai Water Conservation District: None

City of Ojai: None

Casitas Municipal Water District: None

Community Facilities District Report: None

4. GENERAL MANAGER COMMENTS:

Aranda reported that the two-year audit is being conducted. Aranda reminded the Board that Form 700 is due by April 1, 2026. Aranda stated that the bookkeeper will be starting the State Controllers Report next month.

5. BASIN STATUS REPORT:

Jordan Kear had a presentation "Hydrographic Dog's Breakfast". Kear reported the Key Well was 51.1' below ground level and there was 76,800 acre-feet in the basin.

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT APPEARING ON THE AGENDA:

None

7. CONSENT AGENDA:

a. Daddi motioned to approve the Consent Agenda Items. Weaver seconded. The Financial Report for February 2026 and the minutes of February 26, 2026, were approved unanimously.

Roll Call vote:

Ayes: Daddi, Whitman, Weaver and Hajas.

Noes: None

8. ACTION ITEMS:

a. Ojai Valley Groundwater Basin Annual Report:

Receive and file the Water Year 2025 Ojai Valley Groundwater Basin Annual Report. Weaver motioned to receive and file the Water Year 2025 Ojai Valley Groundwater. Daddi seconded.

Roll call vote:

Ayes: Daddi, Whitman, Weaver and Hajas.

Noes: None

9. DISCUSSION ITEMS:

a. Legislative Ad-Hoc Committee Update:

None

b. Meter Compliance Ad-Hoc Committee Update:

Aranda will schedule a meeting.

10. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 3:33pm. The next regular scheduled meeting will be April 30, 2026, at 3:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber in Ojai City Hall, 401 S. Ventura Street, Ojai.

ATTEST: _____