



Santa Margarita Groundwater Agency

Board of Directors Meeting

Date: August 28, 2025
Time: 6:00 p.m.
Location: Santa Margarita Community Room, 2 Civic Center Drive, Scotts Valley, CA.

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AGENDA

1. CONVENE

1.1 Call to Order and Roll Call

Director Enger is video/teleconferencing from 140E 250N, Midway UT, 84049

1.2 Additions/Deletions to the Agenda

1.3 Oral Communications on Matters Not on the Agenda

2. CONSENT

2.1 [Approval of Minutes – May 22, 2025, Board of Directors Meeting](#)

Recommendation: Approve the minutes of the May 22, 2025, Board Meeting.

3. PRESENTATIONS

3.1 [Groundwater Sustainability Program Update](#)

3.2 [Groundwater Sustainability Plan Periodic Evaluation](#)

4. GENERAL

4.1 [Establish a Water Year 2025 Annual Report Ad Hoc Committee](#)

Recommendation: Establish an ad hoc committee on the Groundwater Sustainability Plan Annual Report and appoint Board members to serve on the committee

4.2 [Establish Policy to Review Applicable County of Santa Cruz Well Permit Applications](#)

Recommendation: Approve and adopt Well Construction Permit Application Review Policy.

5. STAFF REPORTS

5.1 [Financial Report for the Period July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025](#)

5.2 [Santa Margarita Basin GSP Implementation Activities Status Report](#)

6. DIRECTORS REPORTS

6.1 Reports from Meetings, Conferences, and Educational Opportunities

7. FUTURE ITEMS

Invitation for Board requests for future agenda items

8. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

9. EVENTS CALENDAR

ADJOURN

PURSUANT TO TITLE II OF THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT OF 1990, THE SANTA MARGARITA GROUNDWATER AGENCY (AGENCY) REQUESTS THAT ANY PERSON IN NEED OF ANY TYPE OF SPECIAL EQUIPMENT, ASSISTANCE, OR ACCOMMODATION(S) IN ORDER TO EFFECTIVELY COMMUNICATE AT THE AGENCY'S PUBLIC MEETING PLEASE MAKE SUCH A REQUEST TO THE AGENCY AT 2 CIVIC CENTER DRIVE, SCOTT'S VALLEY, CA 95066 OR BY CALLING **(831) 662-2055**. A MINIMUM OF THREE WORKING DAYS PRIOR TO THE SCHEDULED MEETING. ADVANCE NOTIFICATION WITHIN THIS GUIDELINE WILL ENABLE THE AGENCY TO MAKE REASONABLE ARRANGEMENTS TO ENSURE ACCESSIBILITY.



Santa Margarita Groundwater Agency

Board of Directors Meeting

Date: 5/22/2025

Time: 6:00 p.m.

Location: Santa Margarita Community Room, 2 Civic Center Drive, Scotts Valley, CA

Minutes

1. CONVENE

1.1 CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Chair Perri called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Directors Present: (Voting Alternates represented in *italics*)

Chris Perri (Chair) – Scotts Valley Water District

Bryan Largay (Vice-chair) – San Lorenzo Valley Water District

Edan Cassidy (Secretary) – Well Owner Representative

Doug Engfer – City of Santa Cruz

Manu Koenig – County of Santa Cruz (remote via Zoom)

Alina Layng – San Lorenzo Valley Water District

Wade Leishman – Scotts Valley Water District

Monica Martinez – County of Santa Cruz

Dale Pollock – Mount Hermon Association

Frank Cheap – Well Owner Representative

Directors Absent:

Cara Hutchison – Well Owner Representative

Allan Timms – City of Scotts Valley

Non-Voting Alternate Directors: (Present as Non-Voting Observer)

Bill Ekwall – Scotts Valley Water District

SMGWA Member Agency Executive Staff:

David McNair – General Manager, Scotts Valley Water District

Sierra Ryan – Water Resources Program Director, County of Santa Cruz

Other:

Teresa Rein – SMGWA legal counsel; Rein & Rein

Tim Carson, Rob Swartz, Sophia Sholtz – Regional Water Management Foundation (RWMF)

Heidi Luckenbach – Water Director, City of Santa Cruz (online via Zoom)

1.2 Additions/Deletions to the Agenda

None.

1.3 Oral Communications on Matters Not on the Agenda

None.

2. **CONSENT**

2.1 Approval of Minutes from 2/27/2025 Meeting

- MOTION:** E. Cassidy/W. Leishman moved to approve the Minutes.
- AYES:** E. Cassidy, M. Koenig, B. Largay, A. Layng, W. Leishman, M. Martinez, C. Perri
- NOES:** None.
- ABSTAIN:** D. Engfer, D. Pollock

3. **PRESENTATIONS**

3.1 Groundwater Sustainability Program Update

R. Swartz gave background information on: long term groundwater extraction, spring water levels, and streamflow. There is now 40 years of collected data that can inform the Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) and its progress in the Basin. When looking at decadal averages, the most recent decade of groundwater use is 25% lower than the previous decade, and 40% lower than the highest decade of use from 1994 through 2004.

R. Swartz reviewed hydrographs from four shallow monitoring wells in the Santa Margarita sandstone aquifer; three of which report higher groundwater levels than both the Minimum Threshold (MT) and the Measurable Objective (MO), and one of which is higher than the MT but does not meet the MO. The MO is the aspirational goal required from the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) and is not associated with consequences from the California Department of Water Resources (DWR) if it is not met within a certain time frame. The MT is the “stop sign” from which sustainability is measured and is required for compliance.

R. Swartz also reviewed hydrographs from monitoring wells in deeper Lompico aquifer, Butano aquifer, and Monterey formation. Similar to the shallow monitoring wells, three of the deeper wells show groundwater levels above both the MT and MO, and one well shows groundwater levels above the MT, but not the MO.

The Water Year 2025 dry season flow measurements began at flow monitoring sites across the Basin on April 30. R. Swartz shared spring flows compared to previous years at the following locations: San Lorenzo River above Love Creek, San Lorenzo River at Big Trees, Zayante Creek at Woodwardia, and Bean Creek at Mount Hermon. R. Swartz indicated that the San Lorenzo River at Big Trees site, monitored year-round by the United States Geological Survey, seems to be a good indicator for relative health of the Basin as a whole, and may provide an opportunity to reduce future costs by monitoring at that location alone. Newell Creek is the only regulated creek in that it is controlled by releases from Loch Lomond reservoir. R. Swartz pointed out that

a high flow anomaly from 2024 was due to planned maintenance activities at Loch Lomond by the City of Santa Cruz.

R. Swartz reported on positive conversations between the Small Groundwater Sustainability Agency Coalition, of which the Santa Margarita Groundwater Sustainability Agency is a member, and both CA legislature representatives and DWR representatives in an effort to reduce SGMA compliance costs.

4. GENERAL

4.1 Appointment of Well Owner Alternate Representative

The Agency received applications from two eligible applicants. Per the Bylaws, the applicants were provided an opportunity to meet and self-select which applicant would seek appointment. After meeting during the self-selection period, E. Stanojevic voluntarily withdrew her application, leaving Francis (Frank) Cheap as the remaining Well Owner Representative Alternate applicant.

As the motion to appoint Frank Cheap was effective immediately, once appointed he took a seat at the Director’s table and voted on all subsequent matters.

The Board made comments. E. Stanojevic made public comments.

- MOTION:** E. Cassidy/D. Engfer move to ratify the appointment of Francis Cheap as the Well Owner Representative Alternate on the Santa Margarita Groundwater Board of Directors for a three (3) year term effective immediately.
- AYES:** E. Cassidy, D. Engfer, M. Koenig, B. Largay, A. Layng, W. Leishman, M. Martinez, C. Perri, D. Pollock
- NOES:** None.
- ABSTAIN:** None.

4.2 Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2026 (FY2026)

T. Carson presented the proposed Fiscal Year (FY2026) budget, which remains similar to the preliminary budget presented to the Board at its February meeting.

The projected beginning cash reserves for FY2026 total \$335,310. Reserves include designations for the 5-year GSP Periodic Evaluation (GSP PE) and a funding mechanisms evaluation. There are no changes to the total beginning reserves outlined at the February meeting, though there has been an update to the allocation of the reserve designations – most notable an increased cost estimate for the GSP PE based upon updated estimates as well as the likelihood that SMGWA will pursue a GSP amendment in addition to its 5-year PE.

Operating revenue for FY2026 is proposed to be \$451,790 and consists entirely of contributions from the Member Agencies as well as the City of Santa Cruz and Mount Hermon Association. Agency contributions remained at the amounts as presented in February.

Operating expenses in FY2025 are projected to be \$386,000 and in FY2026 are projected to be \$628,178. Expenses include the administrative and planning services from the RWMF; professional services including legal, outreach, audit and technical services. Technical services is the largest sub-category amount and includes consultant support for the GSP PE, GSP Annual Report, Data Management System, stream monitoring, and the funding mechanisms evaluation. The increased operating expenses in FY2026 (+ 28%) are mainly due to costs related to the GSP PE.

The projected ending cash reserves for FY2026 totals \$158,922 and includes \$126,084 in general reserves and \$32,838 for the GSP PE and Amendment anticipated to be used in FY2027.

Directors asked questions and discussed the cost of the GSP PE, the Funding Mechanisms evaluation, and potential avenues to reduce costs to the Basin.

- MOTION:** W. Leishman/M. Martinez move to approve the Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2026.
- AYES:** E. Cassidy, D. Engfer, M. Koenig, B. Largay, A. Layng, W. Leishman, M. Martinez, C. Perri, D. Pollock, F. Cheap
- NOES:** None.
- ABSTAIN:** None.

4.3 Amendment to Professional Services Agreement with Errol L. Montgomery and Associates

T. Carson gave an overview of the Professional Services Agreement with Errol L. Montgomery & Associates. In 2023, following a competitive selection process, the Board elected to enter into a contract with Montgomery & Associates for Hydrogeologic Support Services including preparation of the Annual Report and the semi-annual groundwater level data uploads to the SGMA portal.

The amended Scope of Work (SOW) presented to the Board includes the GSP PE, including recommendations to address the corrective actions called out by DWR on the GSP submitted by SMGWA in January 2022, preparation of the GSP PE, and if necessary, the preparation of an amendment to the GSP. The current schedule of work outlines the GSP PE being completed and coming to the Board for approval by December 2026, for submittal to DWR by January of 2027.

Directors commented on the cost to the Agency and potential ways to lower GSP PE total costs.

- MOTION:** E. Cassidy/D. Engfer move to approve and authorize the Scotts Valley Water District General Manager to execute an amendment to the Professional Services Agreement with Errol L. Montgomery and Associates to provide Hydrogeologic Support Services in FY 2026 in an amount not-too-exceed \$202,178.
- AYES:** E. Cassidy, D. Engfer, M. Koenig, B. Largay, A. Layng, W. Leishman, M. Martinez, C. Perri, D. Pollock, F. Cheap
- NOES:** None.
- ABSTAIN:** None.

5. STAFF REPORTS

5.1 Financial Report for the Period January 1, 2025, through March 31, 2025

No questions or comments on this item.

5.2 Santa Margarita Basin GSP Implementation Activities Status Report

R. Swartz noted that this item is intended as an informational tool for Board members to keep up to date on current Basin activity and that the table is organized to be consistent with the implementation section of the GSP.

There were no questions or comments on this item.

6. DIRECTORS REPORTS

Director Pollock reported that, due to an error by the water quality testing laboratory used by MHA, one of their production wells tested positive for perchlorate. After contacting other neighboring agencies, re-testing water from the suspected well, and working with the State Water Resources Control Board, it was confirmed to be an error by the lab processing the original water sample.

Director Largay reported that a Director for the San Lorenzo Valley Water District (SLVWD) has resigned, and that the SLVWD is currently recruiting for a new Director.

Chair Perri reported out from the Association of California Water Agencies Groundwater Committee meeting.

7. FUTURE ITEMS

None.

8. STAFF REPORTS

None.

9. EVENTS CALENDAR

None.

ADJOURN

7:10 p.m. meeting adjourned.

APPROVED BY:

Chris Perri, Chair

Date

ATTEST:

Edan Cassidy, Secretary

Date

DRAFT

AGENDA REPORT

Santa Margarita Groundwater Agency

To: Board of Directors
Date: August 28, 2025
Item: Presentations 3.1
Subject: **Groundwater Sustainability Program Update**

SUMMARY

Recommendation: Receive a presentation of highlights of current groundwater sustainability program efforts.

Fiscal Impact: No direct impact from this action. Activities described in this update are either provided in-kind by Member Agencies or have been approved by separate Board actions.

BACKGROUND

The Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) for the Santa Margarita Groundwater Basin (Basin) was adopted by the Santa Margarita Groundwater Agency Board of Directors on November 17, 2021. The GSP was approved by the Department of Water Resources on April 27, 2023. The Basin GSP identifies a monitoring and reporting program, areas of monitoring needing improvements (i.e., data gaps), implementation of projects and management actions, and other administrative activities needed to fully implement the GSP. Together, this suite of activities represents the Basin's Groundwater Sustainability Program.

DISCUSSION

The SMGWA GSP identifies the need for a well metering program for non-de minimis (greater than 2 acre-feet per year) groundwater users. With the completion of the County of Santa Cruz well ordinance update (discussed under item 4.2 of this agenda), permit applications for new or replacement wells with the County for non-de minimis groundwater extraction will be required to install a meter. The County ordinance does not apply to current non-de minimis users. Staff will provide an overview of the current knowledge of known and potential non-de minimis uses in the Basin.

SMGWA is participating in the Small Groundwater Sustainability Agency Coalition (Coalition) to increase awareness of the challenges that small groundwater basins encounter in complying with the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA). Mr. Swartz will update the Board on efforts by the Coalition to establish a Memorandum of Agreement to formalize the effort.

Submitted by,

Rob Swartz, Senior Planner
Regional Water Management Foundation

Attachment(s): None

AGENDA REPORT

Santa Margarita Groundwater Agency

To: Board of Directors
Date: August 28, 2025
Item: Presentations 3.2
Subject: **Groundwater Sustainability Plan Periodic Evaluation**

SUMMARY

Recommendation: Receive an overview presentation on the requirements and process for a periodic evaluation of groundwater sustainability plan.

Fiscal Impact: No direct impact from this action. Activities described in this update have been approved by separate Board action in May 2025 to adopt the annual Agency budget and approve an amendment to the Professional Services Agreement with Montgomery & Associates.

BACKGROUND

The Sustainable Groundwater Management Act requires periodic evaluation that is due at least every five years after submittal of a Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP). The Periodic Evaluation is intended to be a thorough assessment of how a GSP is performing and whether modifications are needed.

In October 2023, the Department of Water Resources (DWR) released guidance on GSP annual reports, periodic evaluations, and plan amendments. The DWR guidance document is available on the SMGWA website and can be accessed at this link: [A Guide to Annual Reports, Periodic Evaluations, & Plan Amendments](#). Recommended corrective actions (RCA) from DWR's GSP review must also be addressed by the time of Periodic Evaluation submittal. The Santa Margarita Basin RCAs can be found in this link to the [DWR GSP approval letter](#).

In May 2025, the Board approved a contract amendment with Montgomery & Associates (M&A) to begin a Periodic Evaluation of the Santa Margarita Groundwater Basin GSP.

DISCUSSION

Regional Water Management Foundation and M&A have begun the Periodic Evaluation. Pete Dennehy, serving as the M&A project manager for the Periodic Evaluation, will provide an overview to the Board on:

- the DWR guidance, including the Periodic Evaluation process and how to consider whether a GSP amendment is warranted;
- the DWR RCAs to be addressed during the Periodic Evaluation;
- and an update on the Periodic Evaluation Schedule.

Submitted by,

Rob Swartz, Senior Planner
Regional Water Management Foundation

Attachment(s): DWR Recommended Corrective Actions Summary Table from Water Year 2024 GSP Annual Report

DWR Recommended Corrective Action Number and Topic	DWR Recommended Corrective Action	GSA Initial Approach for Addressing Recommended Corrective Action	Timeline to Complete or Evaluate
1 – Evaluate impacts to domestic and GDEs in Monterey Formation	Evaluate beneficial use and users of the Monterey Formation and consider how changes in groundwater levels in the Monterey Formation may affect domestic well users and GDEs (Groundwater Dependent Ecosystems).	Review locations and extent of beneficial users relative to groundwater level minimum threshold and measurable objectives	Address with 2027 Periodic Evaluation
2 – Revise undesirable results definition for chronic lowering of groundwater levels	Revise the definition of undesirable results to remove the drought year condition or discuss how extractions and recharge will be managed as necessary to ensure that reductions in groundwater levels or storage during a period of drought are offset by increases in groundwater levels or storage during other periods within the SMC (Sustainable Management Criteria) for chronic lowering of groundwater levels.	Evaluate alternative undesirable result definitions as part of the periodic evaluation	Address with 2027 Periodic Evaluation
3 – Revise SMC for degraded groundwater quality	Revise SMC for degraded groundwater quality: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Revise the definition of undesirable results for degraded groundwater quality so that exceedances of minimum thresholds caused by groundwater extraction, whether the GSA (Groundwater Sustainability Agency) has implemented pumping regulations or not, are considered in the assessment of undesirable results in the Basin. • Revise the sustainable management criteria for degraded water quality to include undesirable results for constituents of concern in the basin identified in the GSP (Groundwater Sustainability Plan). 	Evaluate alternative undesirable result definitions as part of the periodic evaluation	Address with 2027 Periodic Evaluation
4 – Evaluate interconnected surface water sustainable management criteria	Address the following items by the first periodic evaluation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Revise sustainable management criteria with the removal of the exemption for undesirable results in drought years. • Consider utilizing the interconnected surface water guidance as appropriate when issued by DWR (Department of Water Resources) to establish quantifiable minimum thresholds, measurable objectives, and management actions. • Continue to fill data gaps, collect additional monitoring data, and implement the current strategy to manage depletions of interconnected surface water and define segments of interconnectivity and timing. • Prioritize collaborating and coordinating with local, state, and federal regulatory agencies as well as interested parties to better understand the full suite of beneficial uses and users that may be impacted by pumping-induced surface-water depletion within the GSA’s jurisdictional area. 	Establish sustainable management criteria for applicable new wells installed in 2023 and consider utilizing upcoming DWR guidance to revise approach as part of the periodic evaluation	Partially addressed with 2023 well installations; remainder to be addressed with 2027 Periodic Evaluation

AGENDA REPORT

Santa Margarita Groundwater Agency

To: Board of Directors
Date: August 28, 2025
Item: General 4.1
Subject: **Establish a Water Year 2025 Annual Report Ad Hoc Committee**

SUMMARY

Recommendation: Establish an ad hoc committee on the Groundwater Sustainability Plan Annual Report and appoint Board members to serve on the committee.

Fiscal Impact: No direct impact from this action. Specific future actions resulting from recommendations that could have a fiscal impact would be subject to further Board approval.

BACKGROUND

One of the requirements of the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) is the submittal of an annual report of the previous water year (October 1 through September 30) to the Department of Water Resources (DWR) by April 1 each year. The required content of an annual report was established by DWR in May 2016 and is included in California Code of Regulations (CCR), Title 23 (see attached regulations on annual reports).

In May 2023, the Board appointed an ad hoc committee to review and recommend on annual report format and content. The recommendations of the ad hoc committee were followed to prepare two annual reports covering Water Years 2023 (WY23) and 2024 (WY24). Since early 2025, Regional Water Management Foundation (RWMF) staff has, along with other representatives of the Small Groundwater Sustainability Agency Coalition, been in discussion with DWR staff on opportunities to further streamline the annual report with a goal of reducing SMGA compliance costs.

Article 5.1 of the Agency Bylaws permits the establishment of an ad hoc committee. An ad hoc or temporary committee is not subject to the Brown Act provided it is composed solely of less than a quorum of the legislative body, serves a limited or single purpose, is not perpetual, and will be dissolved once its specific task is completed.

DISCUSSION

DWR has indicated a willingness to continue meeting to pilot ways to streamline the annual report. As these options take shape, RWMF staff wants to ensure that the resulting annual report still meets the expectations of SMGWA. The Board Chair supports the establishment of an ad hoc committee on the Groundwater Sustainability Plan Annual Report for discussing streamlining the annual report further Board consideration.

Submitted by,

Rob Swartz, Senior Planner
Regional Water Management Foundation

Attachment(s): CCR, Title 23 section on GSP annual reports

§ 356.2. Annual Reports.

23 CAADC § 356.2

Barclays Official California Code of Regulations

Barclays California Code of Regulations

Title 23. Waters

Division 2. Department of Water Resources

Chapter 1.5. Groundwater Management

Subchapter 2. Groundwater Sustainability Plans

Article 7. Annual Reports and Periodic Evaluations by the Agency

23 CCR § 356.2

§ 356.2. Annual Reports.

Each Agency shall submit an annual report to the Department by April 1 of each year following the adoption of the Plan. The annual report shall include the following components for the preceding water year:

- (a) General information, including an executive summary and a location map depicting the basin covered by the report.
- (b) A detailed description and graphical representation of the following conditions of the basin managed in the Plan:
 - (1) Groundwater elevation data from monitoring wells identified in the monitoring network shall be analyzed and displayed as follows:
 - (A) Groundwater elevation contour maps for each principal aquifer in the basin illustrating, at a minimum, the seasonal high and seasonal low groundwater conditions.
 - (B) Hydrographs of groundwater elevations and water year type using historical data to the greatest extent available, including from January 1, 2015, to current reporting year.
 - (2) Groundwater extraction for the preceding water year. Data shall be collected using the best available measurement methods and shall be presented in a table that summarizes groundwater extractions by water use sector, and identifies the method of measurement (direct or estimate) and accuracy of measurements, and a map that illustrates the general location and volume of groundwater extractions.
 - (3) Surface water supply used or available for use, for groundwater recharge or in-lieu use shall be reported based on quantitative data that describes the annual volume and sources for the preceding water year.
 - (4) Total water use shall be collected using the best available measurement methods and shall be reported in a table that summarizes total water use by water use sector, water source type, and identifies the method of measurement (direct or estimate) and accuracy of measurements. Existing water use data from the most recent Urban Water Management Plans or Agricultural Water Management Plans within the basin may be used, as long as the data are reported by water year.
 - (5) Change in groundwater in storage shall include the following:
 - (A) Change in groundwater in storage maps for each principal aquifer in the basin.
 - (B) A graph depicting water year type, groundwater use, the annual change in groundwater in storage, and the cumulative change in groundwater in storage for the basin based on historical data to the greatest extent available, including from January 1, 2015, to the current reporting year.
- (c) A description of progress towards implementing the Plan, including achieving interim milestones, and implementation of projects or management actions since the previous annual report.

Credits

NOTE: Authority cited: Section 10733.2, Water Code. Reference: Sections 10727.2, 10728 and 10733.2, Water Code.

HISTORY

1. New section filed 8-15-2016 as an emergency exempt from review by OAL pursuant to Water Code section 10733.2(d); operative 8-15-2016. Pursuant to Water Code section 10733.2(d), these regulations shall remain in effect until revised by the Department of Water Resources (Register 2016, No. 34).

This database is current through 4/28/23 Register 2023, No. 17.

Cal. Admin. Code tit. 23, § 356.2, 23 CA ADC § 356.2

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AGENDA REPORT

Santa Margarita Groundwater Agency

To: Board of Directors
Date: August 28, 2025
Item: General 4.2
Subject: Establish Policy to Review Applicable County of Santa Cruz Well Permit Applications

SUMMARY

Recommendation: Approve and adopt Well Construction Permit Application Review Policy.
Fiscal Impact: No direct impact from this action. Staff estimates that an application review would take less than 1 hour and the average number of permits would be less than 2 per month, the vast majority of which are for de minimis wells (less than 2 acre-feet per year).

BACKGROUND

Santa Cruz County Environmental Health completed an update to the County Well Ordinance. The update was completed with input from a broadly represented Technical Advisory Committee (TAC). The TAC met four times in six months, with smaller subsets of interest groups meeting with County staff in between and after the full TAC meetings. The Santa Margarita Groundwater Agency (Agency) was represented on the TAC by Rob Swartz.

The update became effective July 21, 2025, and includes Santa Cruz County Code sections 7.70 and 7.73 along with a supporting Resource Protection Policy. The updates can be found at: <https://scceh.com/NewHome/Programs/WaterResources/WellOrdinanceUpdate.aspx>. As a courtesy to water purveyors and Groundwater Sustainability Agencies, the County will provide applications for well construction permits for review for wells that are located within the jurisdiction of a groundwater sustainability agency.

DISCUSSION

The Agency will have 10 business days from receipt of a well construction permit application from the County to conduct an optional review. To complete the review in a timely manner, the attached Well Construction Permit Application Review Policy authorizes the SMGWA Member Agency Executive Staff to appoint a reviewer of the application and establishes a procedure for the review and response. A response to the application review will be submitted to the County using the attached form provided by the County. SMGWA Member Agencies will also receive applications for wells located within their respective jurisdictional areas for independent review.

Submitted by,

Rob Swartz, Senior Planner
Regional Water Management Foundation

Attachment(s):
1. Draft Well Permit Application Review Policy
2. County of Santa Cruz Well Permit Application Review Form



Santa Margarita Groundwater Agency

POLICY

Policy No.: P6 (Draft Version 1)	Policy Title: Well Construction Permit Application Review Policy
Adopted Date: 8/28/2025	Approval Resolution No.: None
Policy Description: This policy guides the procedure for review of well construction permit applications received from the County of Santa Cruz	

PURPOSE AND APPLICABILITY

The Santa Margarita Groundwater Agency (“SMGWA” or “Agency”) establishes this policy for reviewing well construction permit applications. This policy governs the review of applications for well construction permits received through the County of Santa Cruz Health Services Agency – Environmental Health (“County”) that are within the SMGWA jurisdictional area.

Effective July 21, 2025, the County released the final adopted versions of Santa Cruz County Code (SCCC) Chapter 7.70, SCCC Chapter 7.73, and an associated Resource Protection Policy. As a courtesy to water purveyors and Groundwater Sustainability Agencies, the County will provide applications for well construction permits for review. The Agency has ten (10) business days to respond to the County to provide comment, request additional information, or identify any other requirements that must be met for the construction and use of the proposed well within its jurisdiction (SCCC 7.70.030(G)). The County provides a form to the Agency to use for the response.

PROCEDURE

The Agency shall review all well construction permit applications received from the County. The Agency Executive Staff (a representative of the executive staff from the Scotts Valley Water District; the San Lorenzo Valley Water District; and the County) will designate one or more application reviewer(s) (each, a “Reviewer”). The designated Reviewer will be updated over time, as needed. The role of the Reviewer is to review, evaluate and consider the application based upon the interests of the SMGWA and the Basin’s Groundwater Sustainability Plan.

Upon receipt of an application, it will be promptly provided to the Executive Staff and the Reviewer. The Reviewer shall review the application and respond within ten (10) business days as specified by the County. The process is as follows:

- 1) If the Reviewer determines there are no concerns related to the application, the Reviewer will notify the Executive Staff and will complete and submit the County-provided form;

or

- 2) If the Reviewer determines there are concerns about the application, the Reviewer will notify the Executive Staff within five (5) business days from receipt of the application. The Reviewer will work with at least one Executive Staff member to develop comments, or identify for additional information needed, or specify any other requirements that must be met for the construction and use of the proposed well within its jurisdiction (“Response”). At least one member of the Executive Staff shall approve the Response prior to submittal to the County. A summary of the Response to the County will be provided to the Board as an informational item at a regular meeting of the Board.



County of Santa Cruz

Health Services Agency - Environmental Health



701 Ocean Street, Room 312, Santa Cruz, CA 95060
(831) 454-2022 TDD/TTY - Call 711 <http://www.sceeh.org>
Environmentalhealth@santacruzcountyca.gov

REVIEW OF PERMIT APPLICATION FOR WELL CONSTRUCTION PERMIT

This review is offered as a courtesy to water purveyors and Groundwater Sustainability Agencies. Well permits can only be denied if they fail to meet the requirements set forth in [Santa Cruz County Code chapter 7.70](#). If you would like to request additional information, modifications to the proposal, or denial of the permit, please provide a detailed explanation. Environmental Health will review requests but may not accept them

Assessor's Parcel Number: _____

Site Address: _____

Property Owner's Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Reviewing District/Agency: _____

The application made to the County for a Well Construction Permit on the identified property has been reviewed:

We have no comments related to this application.

We have the following comments:

District/agency review performed by: _____

Title of reviewer: _____

Date of review: _____

AGENDA REPORT

Santa Margarita Groundwater Agency

To: Board of Directors
Date: August 28, 2025
Item: Staff Reports 5.1
Subject: **Financial Report for the Period July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025**

SUMMARY

Attached is the Financial Management Report with the short summary provided below.

- Budget vs. Actuals – reflects grant revenue and contributions from the member agencies, payments for services incurred in the period, in comparison with the FY 2025 Budget.
- Balance Sheet – reflects the cash balance at Santa Cruz County Bank as of 06/30/2025, revenue invoiced but not yet received as Accounts Receivable (A/R), payments owed to vendors as Accounts Payable (A/P), retained earnings from prior year activity and net income for the period.
- Checking Account Activity – reflects all payments made in this period
- A/P Aging Summary – reflects payments owed to vendors
- Credit Card Activity – provides a list of expenses charged on the credit card

Submitted by,

John Dillon, Treasurer
Santa Margarita Groundwater Agency

Attachment(s): Financial Management Report for the Period July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025

Santa Margarita Groundwater Agency

Budget vs. Actuals

July 2024 - June 2025

	TOTAL			
	ACTUAL	BUDGET	OVER BUDGET	% OF BUDGET
Income				
Billable Expense Income	359,968.00	359,968.00	0.00	100.00 %
Grant Revenue		0.00	0.00	
Total Income	\$359,968.00	\$359,968.00	\$0.00	100.00 %
GROSS PROFIT	\$359,968.00	\$359,968.00	\$0.00	100.00 %
Expenses				
51000 Administrative Services		0.00	0.00	
51100 Administrative Staff	182,522.89	265,574.00	-83,051.11	68.73 %
51200 Treasury Administration	10,000.00	10,000.00	0.00	100.00 %
Total 51000 Administrative Services	192,522.89	275,574.00	-83,051.11	69.86 %
52000 Professional Contract Services		0.00	0.00	
52100 Legal Services	5,895.00	10,000.00	-4,105.00	58.95 %
52200 Outreach Services	9,931.25	13,000.00	-3,068.75	76.39 %
52400 Audit Services	3,500.00	8,000.00	-4,500.00	43.75 %
52500 Technical Services	94,917.83	172,000.00	-77,082.17	55.18 %
Total 52000 Professional Contract Services	114,244.08	203,000.00	-88,755.92	56.28 %
53000 General Administrative Expenses		0.00	0.00	
53100 Insurance	2,008.00	2,000.00	8.00	100.40 %
53200 Membership Fees	3,445.00	3,600.00	-155.00	95.69 %
53300 Supplies & Equipment	327.17	500.00	-172.83	65.43 %
53400 Software & Licenses	2,269.20	1,800.00	469.20	126.07 %
53500 Meetings		700.00	-700.00	
53600 Travel, Training & Seminars	490.00	2,000.00	-1,510.00	24.50 %
53700 Banking Fees		200.00	-200.00	
53800 Other Business Expenses		1,200.00	-1,200.00	
Total 53000 General Administrative Expenses	8,539.37	12,000.00	-3,460.63	71.16 %
54100 Monitoring Network Enhancement		0.00	0.00	
Total Expenses	\$315,306.34	\$490,574.00	\$ -175,267.66	64.27 %
NET OPERATING INCOME	\$44,661.66	\$ -130,606.00	\$175,267.66	-34.20 %
NET INCOME	\$44,661.66	\$ -130,606.00	\$175,267.66	-34.20 %

Santa Margarita Groundwater Agency
Balance Sheet
As of June 30, 2025

	Total	
	As of June 30, 2025	As of June 30, 2024 (PY)
Assets		
Current Assets		
Bank Accounts		
Checking	460,544.46	464,131.39
Total for Bank Accounts	\$460,544.46	\$464,131.39
Accounts Receivable		
Accounts Receivable (A/R)	17,998.00	
Total for Accounts Receivable	\$17,998.00	0.00
Other Current Assets		
Undeposited Funds		
Total for Other Current Assets	0.00	0.00
Total for Current Assets	\$478,542.46	\$464,131.39
Fixed Assets		
Other Assets		
Total for Assets	\$478,542.46	\$464,131.39
Liabilities and Equity		
Liabilities		
Current Liabilities		
Accounts Payable		
Accounts Payable (A/P)	72,463.99	101,902.43
Total for Accounts Payable	\$72,463.99	\$101,902.43
Credit Cards		
SCCB Credit Card	75.00	887.15
Total for Credit Cards	\$75.00	\$887.15
Other Current Liabilities		
Total for Current Liabilities	\$72,538.99	\$102,789.58
Long-term Liabilities		
Total for Liabilities	\$72,538.99	\$102,789.58
Equity		
Retained Earnings	361,341.81	314,724.24
Net Income	44,661.66	46,617.57
Opening Balance Equity		
Total for Equity	\$406,003.47	\$361,341.81
Total for Liabilities and Equity	\$478,542.46	\$464,131.39

Santa Margarita Groundwater Agency
Check Detail Report FY24-25
 July 1, 2024-June 30, 2025

Transaction ID	Transaction date	Transaction type	Num	Name	Memo/Description	Cleared	Amount	Account name
1083	07/03/2024	Bill Payment (Check)	1361	Errol L. Montgomery & Associates Inc.	GSP (April & May 2024) & Monitoring Network Enhancement (May 2024)	Reconciled	-2,795.48	Checking
1084	07/03/2024	Bill Payment (Check)	1362	Miller Maxfield	Public Outreach - May 2024	Reconciled	-900.00	Checking
1085	07/03/2024	Bill Payment (Check)	1363	cbec eco engineering	Streamflow Monitoring - May 2024	Reconciled	-10,072.25	Checking
1086	07/03/2024	Bill Payment (Check)	1364	Rein & Rein, APC	Legal Service - May 2024	Reconciled	-1,205.00	Checking
1087	07/03/2024	Bill Payment (Check)	1365	ACWA-JPIA	Public Official Bond - Kurns - FY 25	Reconciled	-200.00	Checking
1088	07/03/2024	Bill Payment (Check)	1366	SVWD	FY 2024 Treasurer Service	Reconciled	-10,000.00	Checking
1095	07/19/2024	Bill Payment (Check)	1367	Errol L. Montgomery & Associates Inc.	Monitoring Network Enhancement - April 2024	Reconciled	-2,155.62	Checking
1096	07/19/2024	Bill Payment (Check)	1368	Miller Maxfield	Public Outreach - June 2024	Reconciled	-1,812.50	Checking
1097	07/19/2024	Bill Payment (Check)	1369	cbec eco engineering	Streamflow Monitoring - June 2024	Reconciled	-7,153.28	Checking
1104	08/22/2024	Bill Payment (Check)	1370	Nigro & Nigro PC	FY 2024 Interim Audit	Reconciled	-4,000.00	Checking
1105	08/22/2024	Bill Payment (Check)	1371	County of Santa Cruz - Enviro Health	Q2 RWMF Administration & Kisters/WISKI Support	Reconciled	-59,963.49	Checking
1106	08/22/2024	Bill Payment (Check)	1372	Errol L. Montgomery & Associates Inc.	Monitoring Network Enhancement & GSP - July 2024	Reconciled	-1,844.81	Checking
1107	08/22/2024	Bill Payment (Check)	1373	Miller Maxfield	Outreach - July 2024	Reconciled	-787.50	Checking
1108	08/22/2024	Bill Payment (Check)	1374	cbec eco engineering	Streamflow monitoring - July 2024	Reconciled	-11,547.28	Checking
1113	09/27/2024	Bill Payment (Check)	1375	Balance Hydrologics	Bean Creek Real-time gage thru Aug 2024	Reconciled	-6,338.97	Checking
1114	09/27/2024	Bill Payment (Check)	1376	ACWA-JPIA	Cyber liability insurance - 24/25	Reconciled	-100.00	Checking
1115	09/27/2024	Bill Payment (Check)	1377	Rein & Rein, APC	Legal services - Aug 2024	Reconciled	-675.00	Checking
1121	10/25/2024	Bill Payment (Check)	1381	Nigro & Nigro PC	Audit Services for FYE 6/30/2024 - Final	Reconciled	-3,500.00	Checking
1122	10/25/2024	Bill Payment (Check)	1382	Miller Maxfield	Outreach - Aug & Sept 2024	Reconciled	-800.00	Checking
1123	10/25/2024	Bill Payment (Check)	1383	Rein & Rein, APC	Legal Services - Sept 2024	Reconciled	-652.50	Checking
1129	11/22/2024	Bill Payment (Check)	1384	County of Santa Cruz - Enviro Health	RWMF Service Q1 FY25 (Jul-Sept 2024)	Reconciled	-50,860.41	Checking
1130	11/22/2024	Bill Payment (Check)	1385	cbec eco engineering	Monitoring - October 2024	Reconciled	-2,184.97	Checking
1131	11/22/2024	Bill Payment (Check)	1386	Miller Maxfield	Public outreach - October 2024	Reconciled	-425.00	Checking
1132	11/22/2024	Bill Payment (Check)	1387	ACWA-JPIA	Liability Insurance - 10/1/2024-9/30/2025	Reconciled	-1,508.00	Checking
1133	11/22/2024	Bill Payment (Check)	1388	Rein & Rein, APC	Legal Services - Oct 2024	Reconciled	-540.00	Checking
1147	01/10/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	1392	cbec eco engineering	Streamflow monitoring - Nov 2024	Reconciled	-2,473.50	Checking
1148	01/10/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	1393	Errol L. Montgomery & Associates Inc.	GSP Annual Report - Oct & Nov 2024	Reconciled	-9,332.00	Checking
1149	01/10/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	1394	Miller Maxfield	Public outreach - Nov 2024	Reconciled	-268.75	Checking
1163	02/07/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	1395	cbec eco engineering	Stream flow monitoring - Dec 2024	Reconciled	-10,068.75	Checking
1164	02/07/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	1397	Miller Maxfield	Public outreach - Dec 2024 & Jan 2025	Reconciled	-1,350.00	Checking
1170	02/24/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	1398	Errol L. Montgomery & Associates Inc.	Annual Report - Dec 2024 & Jan 2025	Reconciled	-25,765.50	Checking
1171	02/24/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	1399	cbec eco engineering	Streamflow monitoring - Jan 2025	Reconciled	-4,823.97	Checking
1172	02/24/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	1400	ACWA	2025 Affiliate Membership	Reconciled	-3,445.00	Checking
1173	02/24/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	1401	County of Santa Cruz - Enviro Health	Admin and GSP Implement - Q2 (Oct-Dec 2024)	Reconciled	-38,391.25	Checking
1176	03/24/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	1405	Rein & Rein, APC	Legal services- Feb 2025	Reconciled	-1,732.50	Checking
1177	03/24/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	1404	Miller Maxfield	Public Outreach Services - Jan 2025	Reconciled	-281.25	Checking
1183	03/31/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	1413	ACWA-JPIA	Public Official Bond - John Dillon	Reconciled	-200.00	Checking
1184	03/31/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	1412	cbec eco engineering	Streamflow monitoring - Mar 2025	Reconciled	-1,252.78	Checking
1185	03/31/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	1411	Errol L. Montgomery & Associates Inc.	WY2024 GSP Annual Report - Feb & Mar 2025	Reconciled	-3,438.50	Checking
1186	03/31/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	1410	Miller Maxfield	Public Outreach Services - Mar 2025	Reconciled	-2,068.75	Checking
1202	04/30/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	1417	Miller Maxfield	Public Outreach Services - Apr 2025	Reconciled	-1,212.50	Checking
1203	04/30/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	1418	County of Santa Cruz - Enviro Health	Admin/GSP Implement/Contract Mgmt - Jan-Mar 2025	Reconciled	-49,981.74	Checking
1245	05/30/2025	Bill Payment (Check)	1416	cbec eco engineering	Streamflow monitoring - Apr 2025	Reconciled	-1,646.00	Checking
TOTAL							-\$339,754.80	

**Santa Margarita Groundwater Agency
Credit Card Activity FY24-25**

July 1, 2024-June 30, 2025

Transaction ID	Transaction date	Transaction type	Name	Memo/Description	Cleared	Amount	Account name
1118	07/27/2024	Expense	EvoGov, Inc.	CC payments for webhosting	Reconciled	75.00	SCCB Credit Card
1159	08/27/2024	Expense	EvoGov, Inc.	August 2024 web hosting	Reconciled	75.00	SCCB Credit Card
1154	09/27/2024	Expense	EvoGov, Inc.	September 2024 web hosting	Reconciled	75.00	SCCB Credit Card
1155	10/27/2024	Expense	EvoGov, Inc.	October 2024 web hosting	Reconciled	75.00	SCCB Credit Card
1156	10/29/2024	Expense	Intuit Quickbooks	Treasurer - checks & envelopes	Reconciled	327.17	SCCB Credit Card
1157	11/27/2024	Expense	EvoGov, Inc.	November 2024 web hosting	Reconciled	75.00	SCCB Credit Card
1158	12/27/2024	Expense	EvoGov, Inc.	December 2024 web hosting	Reconciled	75.00	SCCB Credit Card
1194	01/14/2025	Expense	DOCUSIGN, INC		Reconciled	300.00	SCCB Credit Card
1153	01/27/2025	Expense	EvoGov, Inc.	January 2025 web hosting	Reconciled	75.00	SCCB Credit Card
1193	01/27/2025	Expense	Intuit Quickbooks		Reconciled	1,069.20	SCCB Credit Card
1189	02/27/2025	Expense	EvoGov, Inc.	Feb 2025 web hosting	Reconciled	75.00	SCCB Credit Card
1191	03/20/2025	Expense	UC Davis Extension	Groundwater, Watersheds, and Groundwater Sustainability Plans short course (6 participants)	Reconciled	420.00	SCCB Credit Card
1190	03/27/2025	Expense	EvoGov, Inc.	Mar 2025 web hosting	Reconciled	75.00	SCCB Credit Card
1197	04/27/2025	Expense	EvoGov, Inc.	Apr 2025 web hosting	Reconciled	75.00	SCCB Credit Card
1204	05/27/2025	Expense	EvoGov, Inc.	May 2025 web hosting	Reconciled	75.00	SCCB Credit Card
1207	05/29/2025	Expense	UC Davis Extension	Groundwater, Watersheds, and Groundwater Sustainability Plans short course (1 participant)	Reconciled	70.00	SCCB Credit Card
1205	06/27/2025	Expense	EvoGov, Inc.	June 2025 web hosting	Reconciled	75.00	SCCB Credit Card
TOTAL						\$3,086.37	

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Santa Margarita Groundwater Agency A/P Aging Summary Report

As of June 30, 2025

Vendor	CURRENT	1 - 30	31 - 60	61 - 90	91 AND OVER	Total
cbec eco engineering	5,380.50					5,380.50
County of Santa Cruz - Enviro Health	43,289.49					43,289.49
Errol L Montgomery & Associates Inc.	8,874.00					8,874.00
Hydrofocus, Inc.						
Miller Maxfield	1,325.00	1,412.50				2,737.50
Rein & Rein, APC	2,182.50					2,182.50
SVWD	10,000.00					10,000.00
TOTAL	71,051.49	1,412.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	\$72,463.99

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**Santa Margarita Basin Groundwater Sustainability Plan
Implementation Activities Status Report
August 18, 2025**

1. Agency Membership and Funding Structure Evaluation
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SMGWA Board of Directors (Board) approved the current cost share structure on February 24, 2022. This cost share, with minor modification, was used for Fiscal Year (FY) 2025 and in FY 2026.
2. Administrative and Business Operations
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Board approved the agreement with the County of Santa Cruz for administrative and planning services, and data management system (DMS) hosting and maintenance for a three-year period through June 30, 2025. The County contracted with Regional Water Management Foundation (RWMF) to provide administrative and planning services and Kisters North America to provide DMS hosting and maintenance effective July 1, 2022. Board approved an extension of the contract with the County through June 30, 2027. • Board approved the FY 2026 budget on May 22, 2025. • Board approved cbec, inc. as contractor on March 23, 2023 for dry season stream monitoring. Contract with cbec executed effective April 12, 2023. The contract covers monitoring for 2023, 2024, and 2025. • Board approved Montgomery & Associates as a contractor on October 26, 2023 for hydrogeologic support services. Services consist primarily of assistance in preparation of the required Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) Annual Report, collection and upload of data required by the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA), groundwater model data updates and simulations to assist in annual report preparation.
3. Technical Support and Consultation
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Basin groundwater model with Water Year 2024 (WY24) hydrology and metered pumping data updated and ran for purposes of preparing the WY24 annual report required under SGMA. Updates for WY25 are expected to begin in November 2025.
4. Monitoring and Reporting
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fall 2024 groundwater level data uploaded to DMS on January 2, 2025. • Spring 2025 groundwater level data collected in late April to early May and uploaded into DMS and uploaded to the SGMA Portal by the July 1, 2025 deadline. • Dry season streamflow monitoring for 2025 commenced on April 30, 2025. The monitoring report for 2024 has been posted to the SMGWA website. • Recording data loggers installed on San Lorenzo Valley Water District Olympia 1 and Quail Hollow MW-A monitoring wells in May 2024 to improve assessment of interconnected surface water. • Groundwater Dependent Ecosystems (GDE) monitoring for spring 2025 completed by County staff. GDE data and monitoring approach to be evaluated as part of GSP Periodic Evaluation to commence in late 2025. • WY24 annual report approved by Board on February 27, 2025 and submitted to SGMA web portal on March 18, 2025. DWR confirmed the WY24 annual report determined to be complete on July 18, 2025.

Santa Margarita Basin Groundwater Sustainability Plan Implementation Activities Status Report (continued)

5. Non-De Minimis Metering Program
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> RWMF communicated with the Quail Hollow Quarry in 2024 to improve estimates of its water use. The quarry estimates its current use at 32 acre-feet per year. RWMF in process of confirming outdoor water use for three mobile home parks in Scotts Valley that have water features.
6. Address Data Gaps
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Construction of the monitoring network of seven shallow wells completed in August 2023. Recording data loggers installed in all wells in September 2023. Staff received training from M&A on data logger downloading in February 2024. The shallow wells were partially funded through a Sustainable Groundwater Planning Grant awarded in 2020. The County of Santa Cruz identified a domestic well owner in the Weston Road area that is allowing County staff to collect groundwater spring and fall groundwater level measurements. First measurement was collected on May 10, 2024 and latest reading collected on April 10, 2025. The Weston Road area was an identified monitoring data gap in the GSP. Request for construction of a deep monitoring well in the Butano Formation at Vine Hill Elementary School submitted to the Department of Water Resources Technical Support Services Program on September 26, 2023. DWR provided update on February 19, 2025 that the request is still being evaluated. Conducted dry season monitoring in 2024 at a location on Carbonera Creek. The creek had been identified as a potential monitoring data gap in the GSP. Carbonera Creek monitoring is continuing in 2025 dry season.
7. Data Management System (DMS)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Initial development of DMS with a public web portal, in coordination with the neighboring Mid-County Groundwater Basin and the County of Santa Cruz, has been completed. Member agency and RWMF staff continue to upload data to the DMS site. In 2024, RWMF assisted member agency staff in reviewing and updated extensive water quality for wells in the DMS.
8. Evaluate, Prioritize, and Refine Projects and Management Actions
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Member agencies progressing on their respective projects. Updates on progress were collected from agencies as part of WY24 GSP Annual Report preparation.