

## MEETING AGENDA May 22, 2024

The Board of Directors of the Shandon-San Juan Water District/Shandon-San Juan Groundwater Sustainability Agency will hold a regularly scheduled meeting at **11:15 A.M.** on <u>Wednesday, May 22, 2024</u>, at SVP Winery located at 111 Clark Rd, Shandon, CA 93461.

Alternate Locations: Director Miller will participate in the meeting via teleconference from 132 E. Carrillo Street, Santa Barbara, 93101.

## **Virtual Options for Public Participation:**

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- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Roll Call
- 3. Public Comment
- 4. Consent Agenda
  - a. Meeting Minutes March 27, 2024
  - b. Secretary/Treasurer's Report May 17, 2024
- 5. Paso Basin Cooperative Committee Updates on SGMA/GSP Implementations
  - a. Next PBCC Meeting is May 22, 2024 at 4pm
- 6. Discuss LAFCO File No. 1-R-24 Sphere of Influence Amendment and Annexation No. 1 to Shandon San-Juan Water District (Skyview)
  - a. 60-Day Termination Period Ends June 17, 2024 Deadline for SSJWD to evaluate its service and financial capabilities related to this application.
- 7. Discuss and Consider Earmarking Funds Received from PRIOR for SSJWD Project Fund
- 8. Discuss and Consider SSJWD Investment Fund
  - a. CA CLASS
  - b. Confirm Initial Investment Amount
- 9. Next Regularly Scheduled Meeting Wednesday, June 26, 2024 @ 9am.
- 10. Adjourn



## UNAPPROVED MEETING MINUTES March 27, 2024

The Board of Directors of the Shandon-San Juan Water District (SSJWD) and Shandon-San Juan Groundwater Sustainability Agency (SSJGSA) held a regularly scheduled meeting on Wednesday, March 27, 2024, at 9:00am at the Illy Lodge at Illy Sunnyslope Farms located at 3385 Truesdale Rd., Shandon, CA 93461. Virtual options were made available for public participation. The agenda and all supporting documents were posted at <a href="https://www.ssjwd.org/agendas-minutes.">https://www.ssjwd.org/agendas-minutes.</a>

#### I. Call to Order

President Cunha called the meeting to order at 9:00am on Wednesday, March 27, 2024 at Illy Sunnyslope Farms.

#### II. Roll Call

**Directors Present:** 

Willy Cunha

Steve Sinton

**Matt Turrentine** 

Marshall Miller

Ray Shady

Directors Absent:

None.

#### **III. Public Comment**

No public comments received.

### IV. Consent Agenda

The following motion was made by Director Sinton, seconded by Director Shady, and passed 5-0 with a roll call vote.

MOTION – Approve the minutes from the March 27, 2024 Board meeting and the Secretary/Treasurer's Report dated March 22, 2024, as presented.

## V. Update from Wagner & Bonsignore on Applications Submitted to the SWRCB

Wagner & Bonsignore (W&B) was retained in April 2023 to review the materials submitted prior to April 2023 relating to pending water right Applications A033189 and A033190 and to assist Shandon San Juan Water District (SSJWD) with resolving issues that the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) called "deficiencies" in the water right Applications. Diane Wagner, Water Resources Specialist at Wagner & Bonsignore, gave the following update.

## July 7, 2023 Meeting with W&B, SWRCB, SSJWD

SWRCB identified three main concerns with the Applications:

- 1. Scope—The project was not clearly defined. How does the applicant intend to take control of the water?
- 2. Access—Issues pertaining to right of access have not been resolved.
- 3. Water Availability—SSJWD (Applicant) has not demonstrated in a satisfactory manner that water is available. The Application(s) should include a preliminary water availability analysis (WAA) that demonstrates in a sampling of years, water is legally available. The analysis should consider downstream rights and instream needs.

SWRCB asked Wagner & Bonsignore to prepare a work-plan demonstrating how SSJWD intends to obtain information needed to satisfy SWRCB and a timeline for doing so.

#### September 6, 2023

Wagner & Bonsignore Submitted a Proposed Work Plan for Application(s) A033189 and A033190 to SWRCB for review and comment.

- Separate Work Plan submitted for each Application
- Goal: Application(s) accepted and issued for public notice so that Applicant can further plan and develop their Project
- Deliverable: Response (in report form) to SWRCB's most recent deficiency letter for each Application
- Time Needed to Prepare Reports/Response: 12 Months

## Next Steps for W&B

- Meet with SWRCB Staff to discuss work plan and obtain go-ahead
- Modify work-plan as requested by SWRCB (if necessary)
- Prepare estimate of costs/budget and begin work described in work-plan

## VI. Paso Basin Cooperative Committee (PBCC)

- A. PBCC DRAFT Budget: The PBCC has developed a draft expense budget for Fiscal Year (FY) 24-25 totaling \$600,000. SSJGSA's portion is 20.2% totaling \$121,200. On March 27, 2024, the PBCC will consider passing a motion to recommend individual Paso Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agencies (GSAs) approve the FY 2024-2025 PBCC budget.
- B. Update on Cost of Service Rate Study RFP: The RFP was issued on January 12, 2024, a pre-proposal meeting was held on January 31, 2024, and responses were due February 23, 2024. Interviews with select firms took place on March 21, 2024.
- C. Update on Governance Structure: The PBCC is considering developing a more robust MOA with project specific JPAs when appropriate.
- D. Update on SGMA GSP Round 1 Grant Implementation: The grant funds continue to be utilized to implement the GSP. Funds must be spent by April 2025.
- E. Satellite-Based Evapotranspiration (ET) Methodology for Agricultural Water Use Estimates: The PBCC will consider a one-year contract with Land IQ to estimate agricultural water use using a satellite-based evapotranspiration methodology.
- F. Alluvial Monitoring Wells RFP: The Design and Construction Services Consultant RFP was issued in January 2024. Proposals were due on February 9, 2024.
- G. Expanding Monitoring Network RFP: The RFP covers landowner access agreement acquisition support services, but not monitoring costs. Landowner permission will be required to bring these wells into the monitoring network. The selected consultant would work with landowners to gain access to these properties for monitoring purposes. Proposals are currently under review by the Selection Committee.
- H. DWR Periodic Evaluation: The PBCC is considering directing staff to develop an RFP to prepare the Groundwater Sustainability Plan periodic evaluation and submit to DWR by January 30, 2025. The estimated budget is \$300,000. It is anticipated that costs will be shared among GSAs in accordance with the cost percentages established in the MOA.
- I. Next PBCC Meeting: March 27, 2024 @ 4pm.

## VII. LAFCO File No. 1-R-24 Sphere of Influence Amendment and Annexation No. 1 to SSJWD

In a letter dated February 26, 2024, LAFCO advised SSJWD that an application was filed with LAFCO on February 22, 2024 to annex property into SSJWD sphere of influence. The proposed project includes an annexation of approximately 3,946.75 acres of property into the Shandon-San Juan Water District. The property is located in the unincorporated area of the County at 3425 Truesdale Road in rural Shandon.

VIII. Next Meeting
The next Board of Directors meeting scheduled for Wednesday, April 24, 2024 is cancelled. The next regularly
scheduled meeting is May 22, 2024 at 9am. The Board directed SSJWD Secretary to schedule a special joint
meeting with Estrella-El Pomar-Creston GSA to discuss the next steps in GSP implementation in late May/early June.
IX. Adjourn
President Cunha adjourned the meeting at 10:42am.
Accepted:
Stephanie Bertoux, Secretary
May 22, 2024

## Secretary/Treasurer's Report: March 23, 2024 – May 16, 2024

Date: May 17, 2024

To: Shandon-San Juan Water District Board of Directors
From: Stephanie Bertoux, District Secretary/Treasurer/Assessor

### Assessments for FY 2023/24:

Assessments were levied on July 26, 2023. \$401,140.26 was due January 26, 2024. \$389,938.35 has been collected to date.

## **Account Receivable:**

The A/R total for FY 23-24 Assessments is \$11,202.01.

#### Income:

Income for the period totaled \$5,635.17 from PRIOR (Agenda Item #7).

## **Expenses**

Expenses for the period totaled \$24,717.89.

#### FY 2023-24 Budget Summary – Year to Date

	FY 23-24 Budget	FY 23-24 YTD Total	FY 23-24 Balance
Income	\$401,140.26	\$389,938.25	\$11,202.01
Expenses	\$305,414.75	\$123,295.76	\$182,118.99
Contingency (10%)	\$30,500	\$0	\$30,500
Projected YE Balance	\$65,225.51		

#### Cash Position

After paying expenses noted above, the District has a current cash position of \$659,122.29. Managing on a cash basis, the District's fund balance is:

- \$212,618.99 Remaining operating funds for FY 23-24 (includes 10% contingency)
- \$121,200.00 Funds earmarked for SSJGSA portion of PBCC Budget for FY 24-25 (pending Board approval)
- \$319,668.13 Funds earmarked for GSP Implementation projects, management actions, and studies
- \$5,635.17 Funds from PRIOR (Agenda Item #7) may be moved to GSP Implementation (pending Board approval)

## Audit for FY 22-23

SSJWD's audit for FY 22-23 is being prepared by Moss, Levy, & Hartzheim. It is due to both the County and the State by June 30, 2024.

## **Board Training & Certifications**

- Form 700s due April 1, 2024. Filed through Netfile. Each Director should have received an email from the County.
- Ethics Training is required every two years. <a href="https://localethics.fppc.ca.gov/login.aspx">https://localethics.fppc.ca.gov/login.aspx</a>.
- Sexual Harassment Training is required every two years.

Director	COI – Form 700	Ethics Training	Sexual Harassment Training
	(Required Annually by	(Required Biannually)	(Required Biannually)
	April 1)		
Willy Cunha	Completed 01/22/24	Completed 02/17/23	Completed 02/01/23
Marshall Miller	Need to Complete	Need to Complete	Completed 03/10/23
Ray Shady	Completed 03/14/24	Completed 09/23/23	Need to Complete
Steve Sinton	Completed 03/24/24	Completed 08/25/22	Completed 03/10/23
Matt Turrentine	Completed 03/01/24	Completed 03/19/23	Completed 03/10/23

## PRIOR

To:

Shandon-San Juan Water District

Estrella-El Pomar-Creston Water District

From: Steve Sinton

John Quinlan Dana Merrill

Subject: PRIOR Funds

After polling the members of PRIOR as to what to do with the remaining funds in the PRIOR bank account (\$11,270.33), the majority supported distributing the funds equally to the two Water Districts (Shandon-San Juan and Estrella-El Pomar-Creston) which cover the Paso Robles Groundwater Basin.

The PRIOR funds were collected to either pay for litigation fees to prevent claims of prescription against overlying landowners, or an agreement that tolled any such claims for the lifetime of an agreement. With the completion of the Paso Robles Groundwater Basin Agreement dated 2005, PRIOR accomplished its mission and remaining funds were only used to pay for a post office box, postage, legal fees and recording landowners who subsequently joined the agreement. No new applications nor financial transactions have occurred in over 5 years. The Memorandum of Operating Principles provided that surplus funds be kept in a non-interest bearing account, so the funds were losing value over time.

While these two Water Districts were not formed to protect overlying landowners from governmental claims of prescription in the Paso Basin, they are organized to seek ways to protect those same landowners from draconian cuts in water use. Therefore, we have determined that transferring the remaining funds to these entities most closely reflects the intent of the PRIOR members.

## California Cooperative Liquid Assets Securities System

## What is California CLASS?

California Cooperative Liquid Assets Securities System (California CLASS) is a joint exercise of powers entity authorized under Section 6509.7, California Government Code. California CLASS is a pooled investment option that was created via a joint exercise of powers agreement by and among California public agencies. California CLASS offers public agencies a convenient method for investing in highly liquid, investment-grade securities carefully selected with the goal of optimizing yields while prioritizing safety and liquidity. The California CLASS Prime and Enhanced Cash funds help assist public agencies in strengthening and diversifying their cash management programs in accordance with the safety, liquidity, and yield hierarchy that provides the framework for the investment of public funds.

## How is it governed and managed?

California CLASS is overseen and governed by a Board of Trustees. The Board is made up of public agency finance professionals who participate in California CLASS and are members of the Joint Powers Authority (JPA). The Board of Trustees has entered into an Investment Advisor and Administrator Agreement with Public Trust Advisors, LLC. Public Trust is responsible to the Board for all program investment and administrative activities as well as many of the services provided on behalf of the Participants.

## How can we participate?

Enrolling in California CLASS is simple. Public agencies may become Participants simply by filling out the Participant Registration Form that can be found in the document center on the California CLASS website. Public agencies may submit the completed registration packet to California CLASS Client Services for processing at <a href="mailto:clientservices@californiaclass.com">clientservices@californiaclass.com</a>. To obtain account forms and fund documents, visit www.californiaclass.com/document-center/.

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\*You may incur fees associated with wires and/or ACH transactions by your bank, but there will be no transaction fees charged from California CLASS for such transactions.

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## What are the objectives of California CLASS?

#### Safety

The primary investment objective of the California CLASS Prime fund is preservation of principal. Both California CLASS portfolios are managed by a team of investment professionals who are solely focused on the management of public funds nationwide. The custodian for California CLASS is U.S. Bank, N.A.

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#### **Competitive Returns**

California CLASS strives to provide competitive yields while adhering to the objectives of safety and liquidity. Participants can benefit from the investment expertise and institutional knowledge provided by the team of Public Trust professionals. The portfolio performance objective is strengthened by the knowledge of California public agency cash flows that the Public

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#### Ease of Use

To make cash management streamlined and efficient, California CLASS includes many features that make it easy to access account information and simplify record keeping. Participants can transact on any business day via the California CLASS Online Transaction Portal at www.californiaclass.com.

## Flexibility

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## Legality

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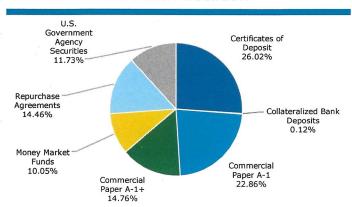


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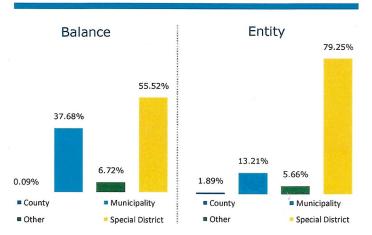
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Portfolio Allocation



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