

Regional Water Authority Executive Committee Meeting Final Minutes December 21, 2022

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair York called the meeting of the Executive Committee to order at 10:00 a.m. as a teleconference meeting. Individuals in attendance are listed below:

Executive Committee Members

Audie Foster, California American Water Ron Greenwood, Carmichael Water District Sean Bigley, City of Roseville Brett Ewart, City of Sacramento Kerry Schmitz, Sacramento County Water Agency Dan York, Sacramento Suburban Water District

Staff Members

Jim Peifer, Ryan Ojakian, Josette Reina-Luken, Raiyna Villasenor and Andrew Ramos, Legal Counsel

Others in Attendance

None

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

3. SPONSOR LEGISLATION TO INCREASE GROUNDWATER STORAGE IN CALIFORNIA

Mr. Peifer introduced this item with explanation of the reasons needed for a Special Executive Committee meeting based on the advice of legal counsel and how sponsoring this legislation is in alignment with RWA's Strategic Plan objectives. Mr. Ojakian provided background on the California winegrape grower's association and benefits of teaming up with them to sponsor or co-sponsor legislation to increase groundwater storage in California. Mr. Ojakian fielded many questions from the Executive Committee regarding the proposal as well as background on the California winegrape grower's association. He also explained next steps which would include finding an author for this piece of legislation and the timeline moving forward pending Executive Committee approval.

Motion/Second/Carried (M/S/C) Mr. Ewart moved, with a second by Mr. Bigley, to authorize the RWA to sponsor or jointly sponsor legislation establishing a goal to increase groundwater storage in California. Audie Foster, California American Water, Ron Greenwood, Carmichael Water District, Sean Bigley, City of Roseville, Brett Ewart, City of Sacramento, Kerry Schmitz, Sacramento County Water Agency and Dan York, Sacramento Suburban Water District voted yes. The motion passed.

Chair York adjourned the meeting at 10:23 a.m.
Ву:
Chairperson
Attest:
Board Secretary