



**City of Greenfield
Arroyo Seco
Groundwater Sustainability Agency**

599 El Camino Real
Greenfield, CA 93927

**Meeting Agenda
April 28, 2026
4:00 P.M.**

Chair Jim Thorp
Vice Chair Michael Griva
Boardmembers
Paul Wood
Robert White

The Arroyo Seco Groundwater Sustainability Agency will be meeting on April 28, 2026 at 4:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers located at 599 El Camino Real, Greenfield, California 93927, and will be open to the public. This meeting will also be accessible online and may be viewed through the following options:

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- A. CALL TO ORDER
- B. ROLL CALL
- C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- D. PUBLIC COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE REGARDING ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

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E. CONSENT CALENDAR

All matters listed under the Consent Calendar are considered routine and may be approved by one action of the Agency, unless a request for removal for discussion or explanation is received prior to the time Agency votes on the motion to adopt.

E-1. ADOPTION of Minutes of the March 24, 2026 Arroyo Seco GSA Meeting

F. AGENCY BUSINESS

F-1. RECEIVE Arroyo Seco Groundwater Sustainability Agency General Manager's Status Report

- a. Oral Report
- b. Public Comments
- c. Agency Board - Comments / Review / Action

G. ADJOURNMENT

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**CITY OF GREENFIELD ARROYO SECO
GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY
MINUTES**

AGENCY MEETING OF MARCH 24, 2026

ROLL CALL

Present: Chair Thorp, Vice Chair Griva, Board Member White

Absent: Board Member Wood

Staff: Interagency Attorney Adams, General Manager Weeks, City Clerk Rathbun

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

All recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE REGARDING ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Thomas Virsik stated that his public comment was regarding coordination the meeting. He stated that his clients were in the Arroyo Seco Cone Management Area. He stated as he previously mentioned that this GSA and the Salinas Valley GSA have an agreement that specifically addresses relationships around the process to impose lawful regulatory fees. He stated that he noted some of the process steps in a letter to the Coordination Committee in late February, ahead of the Coordination Committee meeting. He stated that those concerns remain and what was important was that the agreement was clear that staff from both GSAs must agree among themselves on the fees. He stated that it appeared that the Salinas Valley GSA was not following the required process and that meant that it was up to this Board to pursue the process. He stated that he wanted to be clear that if the regulatory fee approved was fatally flawed that his clients would look to remedies against both GSAs. He stated that this was not what they would want to pursue and his clients were trying to prevent the need for lawsuits. He asked the Board not to ignore the 2021 agreement around the fees and budgeting no matter what the Salinas Valley GSA chose to do or not to do.

CONSENT AGENDA

ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 27, 2026 ARROYO SECO GSA SPECIAL MEETING

A MOTION by Vice Chair Griva, seconded by Board Member White to adopt the Minutes of the February 24, Arroyo Seco GSA Special Meeting. All in favor. Motion carried.

AGENCY BUSINESS

RECEIVE ARROYO SECO GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY GENERAL MANAGER'S STATUS REPORT

General Manager Weeks reported on the coordination meeting. He stated that in terms of fees they were trying to get another meeting schedule so that they could start chipping away at some of the issues associated with the agreement between the two organizations including discussing fees. He stated that the draft fees had come out and the fees for the forebay and the Arroyo Seco Management Area were the same as last year; maybe even a little less. He stated that in order to help prevent people from suing, staff would be looking into the agreement a little bit more in depth and would have a report for this Board next month.

General Manager Weeks stated that the Technical Advisory Group that served both the Forebay and the Upper Valley were looking at the management criteria and thinking about ways in which to help the GSAs. He stated that the good news was that in the last few years, the Upper Valley and Forebay groundwater elevations have been okay. He stated that Gus Yates had been chairing the Technical Advisory Group and he was not satisfied with the report so he continued to dig. He stated that the bottom line was that over the last few decades there had a trend and because recharged had been a bit diminished there had been a slight decline in groundwater elevations. He stated that if there was a wet period those groundwater elevations would most likely rise. He stated that after Gus presented this to the Technical Advisory Committee, he would like him to present it to our Advisory Committee as well as the Implementation Committee.

General Manager Weeks stated that the agreement stated that this Board would approve the annual report; however, the timing of acquiring the data and putting the report together had left us without the ability to approve it. He stated that the Salinas Valley GSA has allowed him to review the narrative every year and stated that this year the report was a good report and he would send a copy to this Board sometime after April 1st.

Thomas Virsik stated that his impression of all the re-drafting of agreements that have been made by the Salinas Valley GSA, under Ms. Harmon's administration, were shorter and using less words than the prior version. He stated that he understood staff's reasoning for that; however, he had concerns about some things that were not well defined or well referenced. He stated that shorter and fewer words were not always better. He stated the point about the regulatory fees was that his clients' point was that if the fees were completely correct, their fees might actually go up slightly. He stated that the focus was long-term and making the distinctions about what programs, what tiering, what work plans and what other things belonged in each bucket for now and the future.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 4:34 p.m.

Chair of the Board

City Clerk of the City of Greenfield