



REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

District Office, 18966 Ferretti Road

Groveland, CA 95321

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AGENDA

March 12, 2025

10:00 a.m.

Location: 18966 Ferretti Road, Groveland, CA, 95321

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Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call of Board Members

Nancy Mora, President

Robert Swan, Vice President

John Armstrong, Director

Spencer Edwards, Director

Janice Kwiatkowski, Director

1. Approve Order of Agenda

2. Public Comment

Members of the public are appreciated for taking the time to attend this meeting and provide comments on matters of District business. Public comments are subject to a 3-minute time limit; 10 minutes on an individual topic. Although no action can be taken on items not listed on the agenda, please know we are listening carefully to your comments.

3. Information Items

Brief reports may be provided by District staff and/or Board members as information on matters of general interest. No action will be taken by the Board during Reports, however items discussed may be recommended for discussion and action on a future agenda. Public comments will be taken after each report is provided.

A. Staff Reports

i. Fire Department Report

ii. CERT Report

iii. Operations Manager's Report

iv. Administrative Services Manager's Report

v. Finance Officer's Report

vi. General Manager's Report

B. Proclamations

i. None

4. Consent Calendar

Consent Calendar items are considered routine and will be acted upon by one motion. There will be no separate discussion on these items unless a member of the Board, Staff or a member of the Public requests specific items be set aside for separate discussion.

A. Approve Minutes from February 11, 2025, Regular Meeting

B. Approve Minutes from February 25, 2025, Special Meeting

C. Accept February 2025 Payables

D. Notice of the Filing of the Headworks Improvement Project Notice of Completion with the County of Tuolumne

E. Waive Reading of Ordinances and Resolutions Except by Title

5. Old Business

(Items tabled or carried forward from a previous meeting to be considered on this agenda. The Board of Directors intends to consider each of the following items and may take action at this meeting. Public comment is allowed on each individual agenda item listed below, and such comment will be considered in advance of each Board action)

- A. None.

6. Discussion and Action Items

The Board of Directors intends to consider each of the following items and may take action at this meeting. Public comment is allowed on each individual agenda item listed below, and such comment will be considered in advance of each Board action.

- A. Adoption of a Resolution Commending Assistant Chief Andy Murphy on his Retirement and for his Efforts and Accomplishments While Serving the Groveland Fire Department
- B. Consideration of Signing the Declaration of Support for the Career Technical Education Program Developed by the Sonora Area Foundation
- C. Review and Discussion Regarding the Preliminary Cash Flow as Well as the Three Helioscope Designs Prepared by SitelogIQ for the Evaluation of Facility Improvements, Energy Conservation, Energy Generation, and/or Energy Management Services

7. Adjournment

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Groveland Community Services District Fire Department / CALFIRE



18966 Ferretti Road Groveland, CA 95321

Staff Report
March 1, 2025

To: Board of Directors

From: Andy Murphy, Assistant Chief
By: Travis Chunn, Fire Captain

Subject: Monthly Activity Report – February 1, 2025 – February 28, 2025

Operations:

CAL FIRE has revised the basic life support inventory requirements for all EMS bags. This updated list provides a consistent inventory across all CAL FIRE EMS bags. This will allow any employee to have access to the same inventory no matter what location they are working at. We are in the process of updating our EMS bags to add additional supplies.





**Groveland Community Services District
Fire Department / CALFIRE**
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Apparatus and Equipment:

Apparatus	Description	Status
Engine 781	2009 Pierce Contender	Out of Service at GCSD Shop
Engine 787	2000 Freightliner FL112	In Service
Engine 783	1997 International Model 15	In Service
Utility 786	2008 Chevrolet 2500	In Service

Training:

In addition to our monthly Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) curriculum and engine company performance standards, Battalion personnel received the following specialized training:

- FAE Martinez- Volunteered at Castle Training Center
- FAE Herrera- Volunteered at Castle Training Center
- FAE Doo- attended ICS 400
- Structure Fire Evolutions
- Confidence Course
- Ventilation
- RIC Ops
- **Battalion Training- Incident Command and Control**



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Training:

GCSD firefighters conducted a comprehensive training program using grant-funded equipment, bringing together multiple agencies to enhance rescue capabilities, interagency coordination, and overall emergency preparedness. This specialized training focused on building self-confidence, mastering ladder evolutions, and executing ventilation operations, ensuring firefighters developed essential hands-on skills in high-pressure situations.



Firefighters engaged in scenario-based exercises that reinforced their ability to navigate confined spaces through a confidence course while effectively managing their air supply under realistic conditions. These drills were designed to build self-assurance, improve decision-making in high-stress situations, and enhance firefighters' ability to work efficiently in low-visibility and restricted environments. The training also emphasized teamwork and technical proficiency.



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FAE Herrera and FAE Martinez recently volunteered at Castle Training Center to complete their Fire Instructor 1 and 2 task book hours of instruction. During their time at the center, they were actively involved in instructing a fire academy, where they focused on hands-on evolutions in fire attack, search, and rapid intervention crew (RIC) operations.



GCSD recently conducted joint training with TCFD on pump operations, monitor training, and drafting techniques. Firefighters practiced adjusting pump pressures, managing water flow, and troubleshooting issues during scenarios. The monitor training focused on using high-flow tip nozzles to effectively direct water from a safe distance. The drafting portion taught personnel how to draw water from unpressurized sources, ensuring an uninterrupted water supply in remote locations.



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Fire Department News:

The Groveland Community Services District Fire Department recently welcomed a family visiting from Vancouver, Canada, for a special holiday visit. During their time at the station, they enjoyed a guided tour, got a close-up look at the fire engines, equipment, and met the firefighters. Their visit happened during a training session, where the on-duty crew was working with the newly hired Firefighter II for the Tuolumne County Fire Department. The family had the chance to see the firefighters in action and learn more about the important work they do, making it a fun and memorable experience.



Feb-25

STATION 78



		County
Alarm Sounding	1	1
Odor Investigation	0	0
Debris Fire	0	0
Medical Aid	10	8
Fire Menace Standby	0	0
Fire Other	0	0
Haz Mat	0	0
Landing Zone	0	1
Plane/Heli Crash	0	0
Public Assist	2	3
Smoke Check	1	0
Structure Fire	0	0
Commercial Structure Fire	0	0
Vegetation Fire	0	0
Vehicle Accident	0	0
Vehicle Accident/Pin in	0	0
Vehicle Fire	0	1
TOTAL	14	14

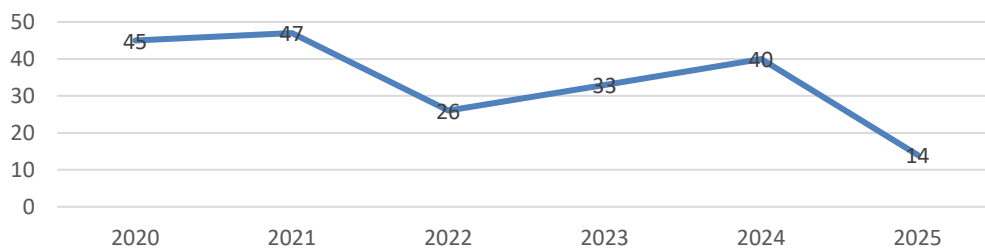
Auto Aid	Given
Tuolumne County	1
INC# 1800 Commercial Fire Alarm 22988 Ferreti Rd X Tuolumne Trails	

ALS	
Yes	No
7	3

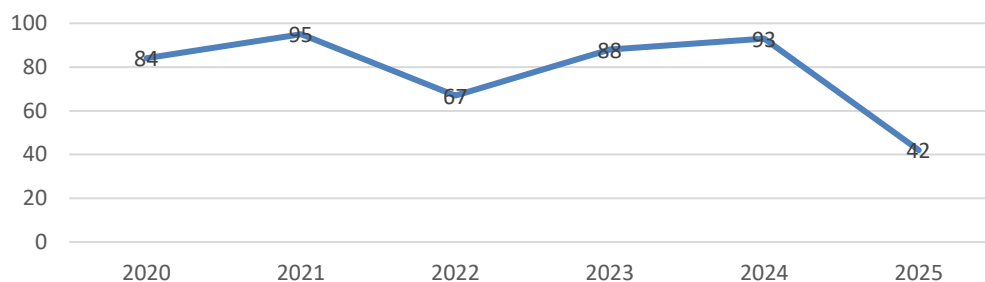
11 in Groveland County Response Area, 1 in GCSD Response Area, 2 in County Outside of Groveland

Last Call Logged Run # TCU 2735

GCS D Total Incident 2020-2025



GCS D Total Incidents Year-to-Date





Report to GCSO Board for March 2025

- GCERT is planning for Basic CERT Training (FEMA produced) in Q1.
We have acquired student backpacks from TC-OES.
We have secured instructor lodging and training space from First Light Resorts (Firefall).
We have acquired student manuals.
We have applied for funds for instructors and expendable materials from Sonora Area Foundation. They expect to have BOD selections in March.
- GCERT is partnering with Red Cross and Calfire for Smoke Detector Installation March 15th. Southside Senior Connections will be gathering candidates for installation. Teams of 3 – 1 FF, 1 RC, 1 CERT. Most locations are in BOF. Have canvassed churches.
- GCERT is partnering with the PML Safety Committee to present 2025 Wildfire Preparedness Workshops. There is NO charge. All will be at the Lake Lodge from 8:45am to 1:00pm. Mar 1 [16 participants]; May 10; Jul 12; Aug 23. All are welcome.
- Speakers: Calfire, Sheriff, Red Cross, Office of Emergency Services, Animal Control.
- GCERT will be trained by TC OES to provide telephone services in TC during emergencies as needed.
- GCERT monthly meetings – all at GCSO Global HQ from 9am to noon.
Mar 29, Apr 26, May 31, Jun 28, Jul 26, Aug 30, Sep 27, Oct 25
- GCERT 2025 trainings – Helicopter LZ, FF Rehab & exercise, Traffic Control w/CHP
- GCERT will complete background checks for all certified members.
- GCERT has 25 participants, 26 inquiring people and 16 fully certified members.
- GCERT has notified FD that our Firefighter Rehab vehicle is operational. It is equipped with all the necessary equipment to Go Live. (Funded by Adventist Health Grant). GCERT is also available for Traffic Control deployment.
- Tom Hernandez is the GCERT Team Leader. Len Otley is our Training Officer. Sam Park is the Logistics Officer.



Information Provided By

O&M Manager: Luis Melchor
 Operations Supervisor: Stacy Billings
 Maintenance Supervisor: Andrew Klein
 Administration Services Technician: Rachel Pearlman
 Utility Billing Specialist: Meghan Atkins

**Operations and Maintenance Report
 February 2025**

Operations Department

Wastewater Treatment Division

Influent Totals	
Total	4.38
Average	0.16
High	0.23
Low	0.10

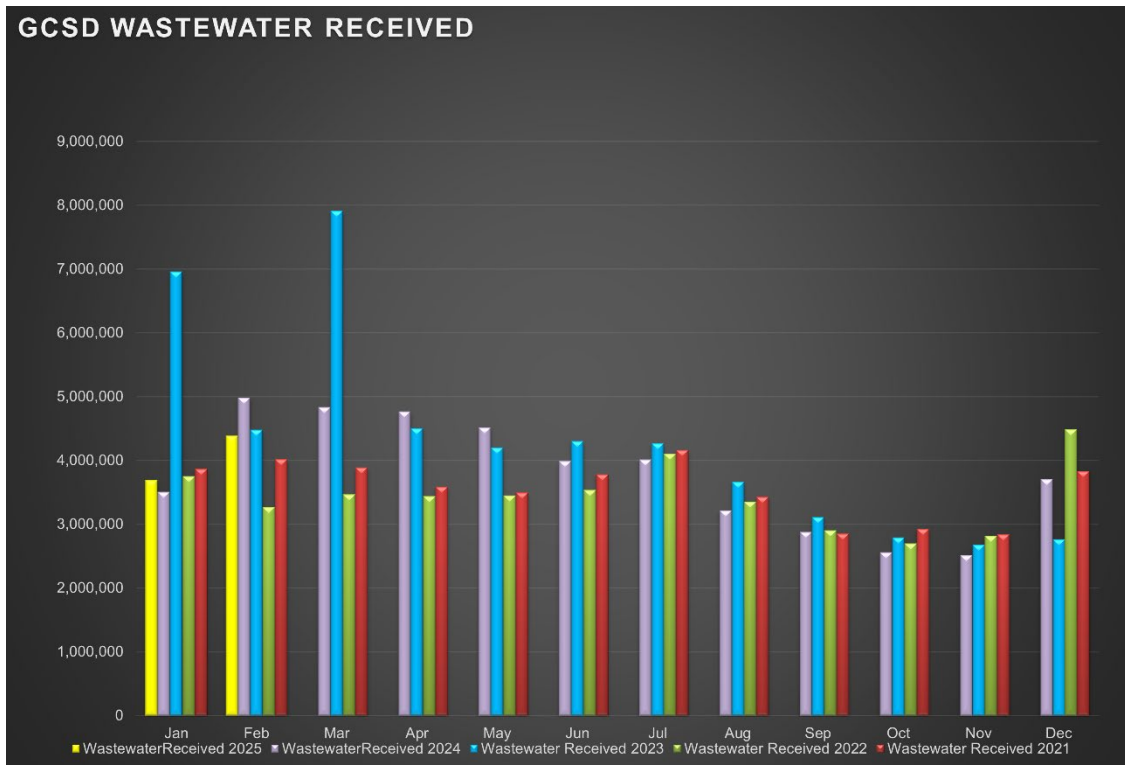
Effluent Totals	
Total	4.71
Average	0.16
High	0.23
Low	0.10

Reclamation Totals	
PML	
Spray Fields	
PML Season Total	
Spray Field Season Total	

Wasting Totals	
Total Inches	293
Total Pounds	4491
Active Accounts	1570

STP Rainfall Totals by Year During Current Month (Inches)					
Season	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021
	21.09	10.44	4.69	0.78	2.32
	High 2.50	High 2.36	High 1.44	High 0.55	0.94

Charted Historical Monthly Influent Totals



Wastewater Treatment Division

Routine Tasks

- Took weekly Bac-Ts and BOD of the Chlorine Contact Chamber (CCC) and sent into Alpha Lab for testing.
- Completed monthly Wastewater Report and sent to the State Water Resources Control Board
- Completed daily rounds and Lab.

Water Treatment Division

Routine Tasks

- Submitted monthly Water Treatment Report to State Water Resources Control Board
- Submitted monthly Conservation Report to State Water Boards
- Performed weekly checks and calibrations on all analyzers at 2G, BC, and AWS
- Performed monthly UV calibrations at 2G and BC.
- Took weekly Treatment Plant samples and sent them into Alpha Lab
- Monitored/sampled Distribution Tanks as needed.

Maintenance Department

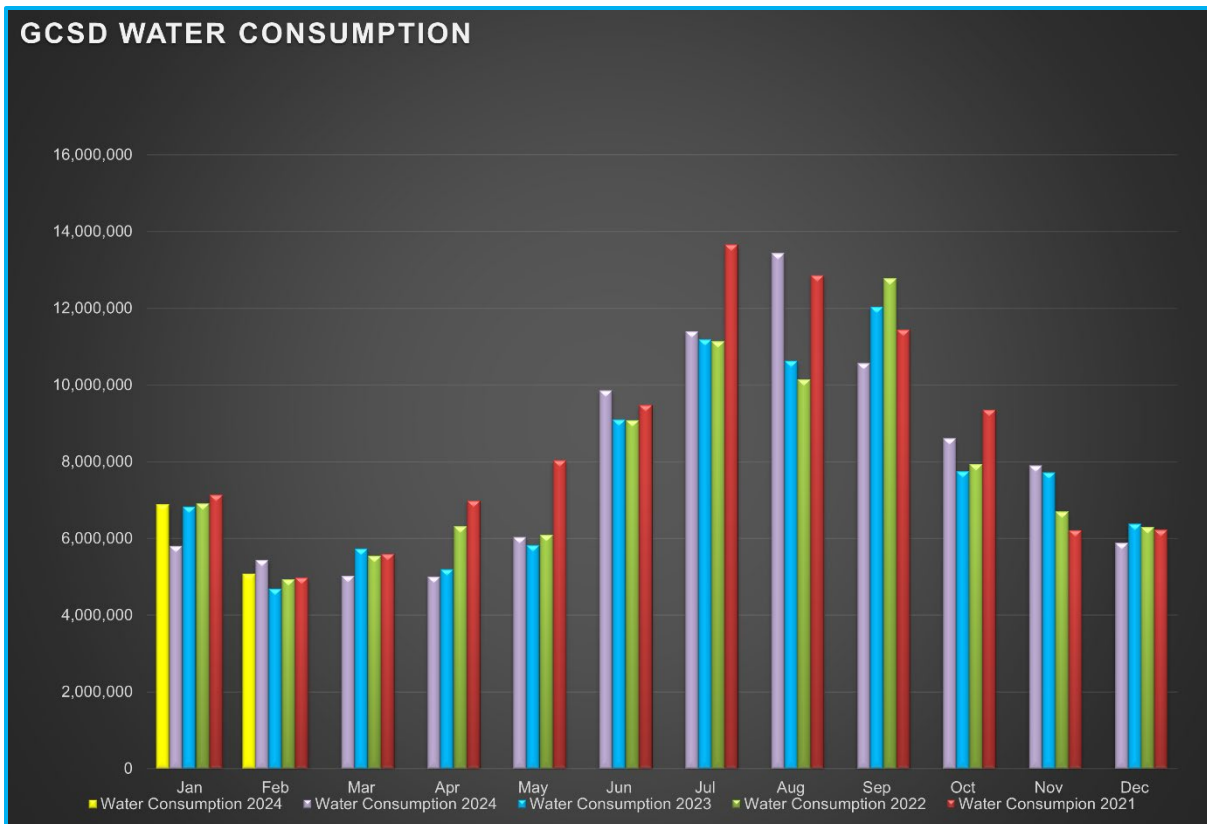
Water Distribution System Division

Meter Related Services	Total
Check / Repair Meters	3
Water Meters Installed	2
Meter Lock offs	5
Meter Changeouts	3
Tenant Final Reads	1
Re-Reads	20
Unusual Consumption	21
Meter Turn-Offs	1
Meter Turn-Ons	2
Meter Tests	1
Winterize Meter	0
Zero Read Meter Tests	0
Color/Taste/Odor/PSI Complaints	7
Total Meter Related Issues	65

Billed Consumption (Gallons)	2025	2024	2023
Residential	4,178,562	5,125,570	4,334,153
Commercial	898,582	308,649	355,441
Total	5,077,144	5,434,219	4,689,564

Active Accounts	3274
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Charted Historical Monthly Water Consumption



Maintenance and Repair Data

Description	Total
Water Main Leaks / Repairs	1
Water Service Line Leaks / Repairs	0
Fire Hydrant Repairs / Replacements	1
Number of Hydrants Flushed	7
Number of Dead-Ends Flushed	2
Water Valves Exercised	3
GIS Points	0

Description	Gallons
Flushing for Water Quality	8,900
Water Loss Due to Leaks / Breaks	7,000

After-Hours Calls (Hours)				
Water	Sewer	Park	Other	Total
5	2	0	0	7

Maintenance and Repair

- **Routine Tasks**
 - Read all District Water Meters
 - Customer Service Calls (Low / High Pressures, No Water, Turn-Ons / Turn-Offs, Etc.)
 - Underground Service Alert (USA) Utility Marking Program
 - Weekly Pump Station Inspections at Tank 2, Tank 4, Tank 5 (Buildings, Tanks, Motors, Pumps, Drives, Communications, Generators, and Auxiliary Equipment)
 - Lock offs for non-payment.
 - Unusual Usage Meter Reads.

- **Tanks and Pump Stations**
 - Rodent control at Tank 4.

- **Distribution System**
 - Hydrant repair at Big Creek TP.
 - Clear dirt/debris around hydrants in unit 12.
 - Water main repair at U13/L343 on Ridgecrest Way.
 - Temporary meter install at Airport Estates.

Water main break on Ridgecrest Way



Wastewater Collection System Division

Description	Total
Manholes Inspected	114
GIS Points	16
Customer Complaint	2
Odor Complaints	0

Description	Total
Flushing/Jetting (Feet)	660
Video Inspection (Feet)	0

Description	Total
Sanitary Sewer Spills (SSO)	0
SSO Gallons Spilled	0

Maintenance and Repair

- **Routine Tasks**
 - Weekly lift station site inspections (PMCS)
 - Added degreaser and odor control to lift stations.

- **Lift Stations**
 - Manhole Inspections: LS1
 - Lift Station cleaning: LS2
 - Remove roots and debris found during manhole inspections.
 - Maintain odor control chemical dosing pumps at LS6, LS8, LS11, LS13.
 - Exercised and tested generator system at all lift stations.
 - Adjusted Low Low-level float at LS16.
 - Remount lighting at LS8.

- **Collection System**
 - Flushed/Jetted gravity sewer line areas.
 - Tenaya to STP, Bass Pond, monthly manhole inspections.
 - Sewer lateral brought to grade, capped and boxed at 11111 Scofield Rd.
 - Sewer lateral repair at U3/L438 on Cresthaven Dr.

- **Sewer Treatment Plant**
 - Landscape/remove dirt and debris from reservoir 2 dam base.

Pictures

Sewer lateral repair on Cresthaven Dr.



General Maintenance Division

Maintenance By Department

- **Operations Department**

- 2G Water Treatment Plant
 - Replace flow meter.
- Big Creek Water Treatment Plant
 - Replace bad seal on the lime mixer.
- Butler Bypass Pump Station
- AWS
 - Delivered 12.5% hypochlorite barrels.
- STP
 - Installed ear protection signage and dispensers in all blower rooms.
 - Repaired roof over effluent pumps.
 - Dam inspection and valve test with state inspector.
 - Install and mount fire extinguisher in control room.
 - Replace all lighting with LEDs.
 - Repaired clogged water jets on headworks screen.
 - Rehabilitated markers for recycled water.
 - Map/GIS valves for spray fields recycled water.
 - Expose air line near headworks building for repairs.

- **Maintenance Department**

- Equipment
 - Shop maintenance and cleaning.
 - Remove scrap metal and haul to Modesto Junk Company.
 - Monthly Inspect and run at operating temperatures...
 - Rain for Rent, Sullair, Vactron, Cement mixer, Light Tower, STP generator, Dunn Ct Generator, AWS Generator, Standby Generator, Highlands Generator.
- Vehicles
 - 41825: Service fluids and filters.
 - 50810: Repaired coolant leak.
 - 51618: R&R fuel pump on transfer tank.
 - 52335: R&R fuel filler on transfer tank.
 - 40403: R&R taillight.
 - 79783: Annual pump testing.
 - 70087: Annual pump testing.
- Buildings & Yard
 - General yard cleanliness.

- Vegetation management.
- Installed a new sink and water heater in maintenance shop.

Pictures

Parks Division

Maintenance and Repair

- **Mary Laveroni Community Park**
 - Landscape Maintenance.
 - Dig holes and prep for new ML park sign.
 - Modified sign brackets and had power coated.
- **Ballfield & Dog Park**
 - Herbicide treatment of infield and warning track.
 - Disinfection of dog park.
 - Repaired and turned on the water fountain.
 - Repaired score board lights and rewired for new controller.

Contracted Work

- **Njirich Construction**
 - Water main extension – Harper Rd.
 - Tank 5 site work for new tank.

Workplace Safety and Training

- **Routine Safety Meetings**
 - Daily Tailgate Meetings
 - Weekly Safety Meetings
 - Weekly Security Checks
 - Weekly Vehicle Inspection

Surplus Auction Results

Sold Asset Report								
Groveland Community Services District, CA								
Date range: 04 Feb 2025 - 04 Mar 2025								
ID	Inventory ID	Description	Category	Buyer	Starting Bid	Sold Amount	Bids	Status
20	20	HSi Blower HT-20S ****LOT OF 2****	Industrial Pumps and Compressors	Mark Lonczak	\$50.00	\$1,125.00	17	NPU
21	50817	2008 Ford F-350 SD XL DRW 4WD Powerstroke Diesel	Service & Utility Vehicles	Nathan Large	\$7,500.00	\$7,700.00	3	NPU
22	50415	2004 Chevrolet Silverado 3500 Work Truck 4WD	Service & Utility Vehicles	Cade Hooker	\$5,000.00	\$5,450.00	3	NPU
23	31622	2016 Bobcat S570 Non-Track Skid Steer	Skid Steers	Luis Silva	\$10,000.00	\$18,400.00	27	NP
25	LgPrint1	CADJET large format printer	Printing and Binding Equipment	Manuel Orrantia	\$10.00	\$10.00	1	NPU
29	Exhaust1	Large generator exhaust muffler	Power Generation, Transmission, and Distribution	cristina HIGGINS	\$10.00	\$110.00	11	NPU
30	Exhaust2	90 Degree Flexible Exhaust connector for Volvo Penta Generator *NEW IN BOX*	Power Generation, Transmission, and Distribution	Mark Lonczak	\$10.00	\$78.00	7	NPU
33	Server1	Large Server Rack with Cooling fans	Computers, Parts, and Supplies	James Johnson	\$10.00	\$37.00	3	NPU
35	FilingCab1	Large Format Filing Cabinets (2)	Industrial Equipment, General	Richard Cataldo	\$10.00	\$160.00	18	NPU
42	Tank1	Pressure Tank, Drinking Water	Industrial Equipment, General	Eric Johnson	\$10.00	\$32.00	5	PU
43	HP1	HP Designjet 100	Computers, Parts, and Supplies	Manuel Orrantia	\$10.00	\$10.00	1	NPU
44	GenDay1	Generator Day Tank	Industrial Equipment, General	Les Sawyer	\$10.00	\$10.00	1	NPU
45	GenDay2	Generator Fuel Day Tank	Industrial Equipment, General	cristina HIGGINS	\$10.00	\$53.00	15	NPU
46	Elec1	Electrical Enclosure - High Voltage	Industrial Equipment, General	Eric Johnson	\$10.00	\$10.00	1	PU
50	50	On Site Chlorine Generator Rack	Industrial Equipment, General	cristina HIGGINS	\$10.00	\$10.00	1	NPU
					\$22,660.00	\$33,195.00		

Status Key: PU – Paid and Picked Up

 NPU – Paid and Not Pick Up

 NP – Not Paid

There were 16 items that received no bids. Those items will be offered to district employees for the minimum bid. If they are still unsold, they will go back to auction.

The previous auction we submitted on GovDeals.com netted the district \$122,597. The main difference being that auction had more heavy equipment such as generators and vehicles.



TO: GCSB Board of Directors

FROM: Peter Kampa, General Manager

DATE: January 14, 2025

SUBJECT: Agenda Item 3Avi: General Managers Report

Overview

Highlights for the period of February 11th to March 11, 2025 include the following items and a verbal report will be provided.

- Attended the County Natural Resources Committee, agenda attached
- Prepared and submitted a letter supporting SB 496, Senator Hurtado. This bill is currently before the state legislature and will allow districts to exempt from the ZEV mandates certain vehicles that respond to emergencies as discussed below:

On October 1, 2023, CARB's Advanced Clean Fleets (ACF) regulation took effect. This mandate, among other things, generally requires a phased transition of medium- and heavy-duty fleets from internal combustion engines (ICEs) to zero-emission vehicles (ZEVs) by 2045.

These regulations are having a significant effect on state and local government agencies, by increasing the amount of reporting required annually for all vehicles added to and removed from a state or local government agency's fleet, the unfunded procurement of new technologies, and the development of the infrastructure needed to service these new technologies, while still meeting the same the performance as current technologies.

SB 496 will protect communities and provide relief to local agencies by:

- SB 496 establishes an Appeals Advisory Committee by which local agencies may request a review of exemption request denials. This ensures transparency while protecting due process for those seeking further review.
- Additionally, SB 496 would update the emergency vehicle exemption, allowing those vehicles that respond to and support critical operations related to emergencies and disasters, often under austere conditions, to continue to protect our communities.
- SB 496 also modifies the requirements of the daily usage exemption, removing barriers for the applicant to comply with the mandate.
- Finally, this measure promotes affordability amid rapidly rising cost pressures on essential local services by averting the costly acquisition of ZEVs before it is possible to install the infrastructure required to use them.

- As part of CSDA's legislative committee, I am participating in a collaborative effort regarding fire departments and water supply. At the encouragement of its membership, CSDA is inviting a small group of local agency stakeholders who work collaboratively toward the protection of California's communities to convene for a brief collaboration session on the topic of water infrastructure and fire protection. A number of associations and local agencies in California are doing exceptional work and advocacy in this space and the purpose of this meeting would be as follows:
 - 1) Facilitate shared understanding of the key issues, challenges, and opportunities.
 - 2) Promote situational awareness of what respective organizations are doing from a policy, advocacy, and public affairs standpoint.
 - 3) Identify any key opportunities or needs for collaboration or partnership.

CSDA's priority in facilitating this gathering is to support others' efforts as a convener. We have no sponsored proposal in this space, but we do have both water districts and fire protection districts in our membership and local leaders from both sectors have asked us to help ensure their industries are talking to each other. We believe that this dialogue may improve outcomes and also avoid unintended setbacks given we ultimately hold the shared goal of well-serving our communities.

**TUOLUMNE COUNTY NATURAL RESOURCES ADVISORY COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING AGENDA**

2025 Strategic Priorities

- Support our local water utility partners in their effort to modernize and improve water supply infrastructure and mitigate risk.
- Maintain awareness of pertinent State and Federal legislation regarding natural resources, land use, water, and water rights.
- Maintain awareness of Tuolumne County Federal land use policy, planning, and implementation and provide recommendations and advocacy as appropriate.
- Promote landscape and watershed resilience through innovative solutions and capacity building.

Date/Time: Wednesday, March 5, 2025 at 10:00 AM

Location: A.N. Francisco Bldg. 48 Yaney Ave. 3rd Floor Committees & Commissions Rm., Sonora, 95370

Contact: Sean Hembree at shembree@co.tuolumne.ca.us (209)533-5554

Chair/Vice Chair

Supervisor Anaiah Kirk

Supervisor Mike Holland

Agency Representatives

Tuolumne Me Wuk

Diana Beasley

Chicken Ranch Me Wuk

Stephanie Suess

Tuolumne Utilities District

Don Perkins

Groveland CSD

Pete Kampa

Hetch Hetchy

Adam Mazurkiewicz

Fish and Game Preserve Fund

Jim Maddox

Agricultural Advisor

Dick Gaiser

Tuolumne Co. RCD

Jim Phelan

At Large Member

Chris Trott

Staff

Water & Natural Resource

Analyst (CAO)

Sean Hembree

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL (5 minutes)

Introductions during roll call

Confirm quorum requirements are met (Quorum = 6 members)

III. PUBLIC FORUM (15 minutes)

The public may speak on any item, not on the agenda. No action may be taken by the Committee

Public Comment (limited to 3 minutes per person)

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR MEETING FEBRUARY 5, 2024 (5 minutes)

**V. PRESCRIBED GRAZING FOR WILDFIRE RESILIENCE REPORT BY
LESLIE ROCHE, PH.D., U.C. DAVIS/U.C.C.E. AND DISCUSSION OF LOCAL
OPPORTUNITIES**

VI. PARTNER AGENCY UPDATES (15 minutes)

VII. COMMITTEE BUSINESS:

a. Staff Reports and Recommendations

i. Pinecrest overuse actions update

ii. SNC Board Meeting in Calaveras County March 6

iii. Biomass JPA proposal workshop March 24

iv. USFS Withdrawal of Old Growth Forest Proposal

v. Sustainable Rural Schools status

vi. H.R. - 471 Fix Our Forests Act

b. Committee Member Reports

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

The Next meeting will be held on April 2, 2025



Tuolumne County Natural Resources Advisory Committee Minutes

For the Meeting on February 5, 2025

2025 Natural Resource Members <i>(or assigned delegates)</i>	Jan-24	Feb-24	Mar-24	Apr-24	May-24	Jun-24	Jul-24	Aug-24	Sep-24	Oct-24	Nov-24	Dec-24
Anaiah Kirk		✓										
Mike Holland		✓										
Don Perkins		✓										
Pete Kampa		✓										
Joy Meller		E										
Dianna Beasley		✓										
Dick Gaiser		✓										
Chris Trott		E										
Jim Maddox		✓										
Jim Phelan		E										
Present = ✓ Absent = A Excused = E												

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** Chair Kirk called the meeting to order at 10:00 A.M. and confirmed a quorum was present.
2. **MEMBERS PRESENT:** Chair Kirk, Vice Chair Holland, Tony Diaz on behalf of TUD, Pete Kampa, Dick Gaiser, Jim Maddox, Laura Hiler on Behalf of Tuolumne Me Wuk and Sean Hembree, Robbie Bergstrom, and Caitlin Henry (staff)
3. **PUBLIC FORUM:** *(The public may speak on any item not on the printed agenda. No action may be taken by the Committee. The amount of time allocated for the public forum is limited to 15 minutes.)*

Note: At the beginning of the public forum section an announcement was made to clarify that the biomass update under the staff reports section of the February agenda is a discrete action from any proposed biomass facilities including the proposed Golden State Natural Resources Pellet Plant. That plan will not be considered by this committee due to an anticipated quasi-judicial hearing before the County Board of Supervisors at a later date.

Several members of the public commented on the proposed Golden State Natural Resources Pellet Project citing concerns including public health and air quality, pellet plant water demand, and impacts on local road conditions. Others cited the value in facilitating removal of excess biomass as a mitigation for wildfire risks to local forests and communities.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

In consideration of approving the minutes of the meeting held on November 6, Jim Maddox made a motion to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded by Pete Kampa. The minutes were approved unanimously 6-0

5. DISCUSSION OF FIRE-HARDENED TRAILS AND VEGETATION MANAGEMENT CORRIDORS (proposed by Sierra Butte Trail Stewardship - <https://sierratrails.org/>)

- a. Stanislaus National Forest Public Affairs Officer, Ben Cossel Asked if recreation equity proponents such as Patagonia were participating. He recommended contacting Outdoor Alliance. Cossel further noted that there is no current Stanislaus Forest staff capacity to support NEPA requirements without a public-private partnership to bear the cost.
- b. Pete Kampa stated that the Hetch Hetchy Railroad Trail has been considered for a similar framework.
- c. Chair Kirk requested that we invite Yosemite Stanislaus Solution to consider this proposal. Sean Hembree to relay request.

6. PARTNER AGENCY UPDATES:

- a. CAL FIRE: Unit Forester, Gary Whitson stated that a January 24 meeting with State Assembly Representatives Alverado-Gill and Tangipa to highlight fuel management successes further such tours and events could bear fruit to help decision-makers understand the challenges and opportunities we face.

7. COMMITTEE BUSINESS:

- a. Staff Reports and Recommendations:
 - i. MSA Administrative Analyst, Caitlin Henry, shared an update on recent and planned fuel treatment reforestation work.
 - ii. Economic Development Administrative Analyst announced a planned Biomass Utilization Workshop Planned for March 24 at Mother Lode Job Training Center 197 Mono Way Ste. B Sonora, CA.
 - iii. Administrative Analyst, Sean Hembree reported on the status of the Pinecrest Parking Actions.
 - iv. Additional Staff Report items were postponed in the interest of time.
- b. Committee Members Reports:
 - i. Tony Diaz (TUD) announced the approval of a fire hardening project to protect TUD tank and water treatment station infrastructure. Diaz also indicated finalization of raw water utilization for the fire protection plan will go before the TUD Board of Directors for final approval soon. The Plan was developed to identify fire-water draft points in conjunction with County/CAL FIRE Prefire planning staff.
- c. Public Comment: A member of the public commented on the Pinecrest actions and consideration of fee-based parking. Another commented that winter congestion also needs to be addressed.
- d.

8. ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 11:10 by Chair Kirk. The next meeting will be held on March 5, 2025

Expanding prescribed grazing for wildfire resilience in California: Opportunities and strategies for effective fuels management

Leslie Roche, *UC Davis/UCCE, Professor of Cooperative Extension in Rangeland Management*

Dan Macon, *UCCE, Central Sierra Livestock and Natural Resources Advisor*

California's recent history of catastrophic wildfire underscores the urgent need to leverage every available tool to adapt to changing conditions and build wildfire resilience. Prescribed livestock grazing—the planned management of livestock to achieve resource goals¹⁻³—offers a cost-effective, landscape-level tool for region-specific fuels management and post-fire recovery across the state⁴. This overview highlights **opportunities, considerations, and key actions** for integrating prescribed grazing into broader fuels management strategies.

Opportunities for leveraging prescribed grazing to build wildfire resilience

As state and federal agencies scale up efforts to treat a combined one million acres annually, prescribed livestock grazing offers significant potential to help enhance community protection of life and property, support ecological goals, create local economic opportunities, and advance the goals of California's Wildfire and Forest Resilience Action Plan. Livestock grazing is the most widespread land use activity in California, covering ~30 million acres^{5,6}, and is already frequently used to achieve multiple conservation goals on private, state, and federal lands⁷⁻¹¹. This presents significant opportunities to integrate grazing into broader fuels management and restoration strategies to mitigate wildfire intensity and frequency and build post-fire resilience.

Livestock grazing (cattle, sheep, and goats) is increasingly recognized as a cost-effective tool for reducing wildfire risk, while also providing a range of other ecosystem benefits^{12,13}. Planned grazing can support multiple ecosystem services—including food and fiber, biodiversity and habitat, carbon sequestration and security, and water flow and supply¹⁴. In terms of fuels management, grazing can reduce flammable shrubs—including those that ignite easily and contribute to ember cast—break up continuous fine fuels and decrease overall fuel biomass^{12,13,15-19}. These changes to fuel profiles can alter fire behavior by slowing its spread and reducing intensity, which helps create defensible space. Additionally, grazing can play key roles in maintaining and restoring landscapes post-fire²⁰. See **Box 1** for additional information on the spectrum of grazing management strategies.

Different vegetation treatments, such as prescribed burning, mechanical thinning, and grazing, provide distinct benefits that can complement each other in joint strategies for effective land management²¹. Integrating prescribed burning and grazing can enhance effectiveness of both treatments: prescribed grazing reduces flammable plant material that could otherwise intensify fire behavior, while prescribed burning improves forage for livestock and wildlife. For post-fire reforestation efforts, prescribed grazing can assist with site-preparation, helping to restrict shrub encroachment and other competitive vegetation^{15,22}. Prescribed grazing can also be an effective tool in addressing fuel-loading near wildland-urban interfaces (WUI) and within urban and suburban communities, especially where other fuels management tools, such as herbicides or prescribed fire, may be restricted.

Livestock grazers have well-documented expertise in managing fuel loads and mitigating wildfire risks²³ and are uniquely positioned to contribute to coordinated regional strategies across land ownership boundaries. Establishing and maintaining regional partnerships to support joint strategies will require sustained funding, streamlined regulations, and access to technical support resources. Several federal and state agencies—including USDA-USFS, USDI-BLM, and CDFW—are actively collaborating with stakeholders on expedited procedures for implementing fuels reduction projects. These efforts represent significant opportunities for expanding the use of grazing across public and private lands.

Considerations and guidance for successful prescribed grazing

Effective prescribed grazing strategies for managing fuel loads in fire-threatened communities must integrate environmental, economic, and social considerations. While land management is inherently site-specific, evidence-based principles for successful grazing management²⁴ provide key guidelines, outlined below.

- **Ecological Health and Sustainability**

Well-planned grazing can support biodiversity, soil health, and other critical ecosystem services while ensuring protection for sensitive species and habitats. Prescriptions must consider the needs of both target and non-target plants to perform critical functions (e.g., photosynthesis, reproduction), and should be timed accordingly to maximize effectiveness^{1,2}. Both local knowledge and science-based technical information are essential for understanding a site's potential for reaching management objectives.

- **Livestock Management and Well-being**

Ranch-level trade-offs between livestock production and fuels management goals are a critical consideration, especially with more intensive prescriptions (**Box 1**). For example, the optimal timing for managing fuels may coincide with declines in forage palatability and nutrition, which can impact animal productivity^{1,2}. Therefore, a comprehensive herd health program is essential for maintaining animal health, performance, and the long-term sustainability of livestock operations.

- **Adaptive Management and Planning**

Successful grazing strategies depend on adaptive management and flexibility. Local managers need to proactively develop written plans^{24,25} that address timing, intensity, duration, frequency, and distribution of grazing to achieve ecological health and livestock production goals. Grazing plans should also incorporate monitoring, checkpoints and strategic triggers, and protocols for making necessary adjustments.

Region-specific grazing strategies must be collaborative, context-specific, and outcome-based. These efforts should focus on identifying local goals, challenges, and opportunities using multiple information sources—such as monitoring data, technical support, and local experiential knowledge—throughout the decision-making process. Proactive planning will help manage uncertainties and trade-offs, while also enabling partners to more effectively resolve potential conflicts.

Key Actions

Map and prioritize grazing projects for fuel reduction, post-fire resilience, and community protection

- Inventory current grazed acreage across the management spectrum (see **Box 1**), including:
 - Fuel reduction as an incidental benefit of grazing (e.g., permitted grazing on federal allotments)
 - Fuel reduction as a grazing co-benefit (e.g., grazing leases on recreational, municipal watersheds, or other public/quasi-public lands providing livestock forage while reducing fuel loads)
 - Fuel reduction as a primary focus of grazing (e.g., targeted grazing prescriptions to establish fuel breaks, address WUI fuel loads, or to protect strategic resources or infrastructure)
- Prioritize landscapes where grazing can strategically protect vulnerable communities, human health and safety, critical infrastructure, and high-risk ecosystems
 - Develop map-based analysis to identify high-risk fuel areas, integrating constraints and opportunities for prescribed grazing

Support long-term investments in grazing infrastructure, economic activity, and workforce development

- Provide technical training and support to help prescribed grazing operators meet regulatory requirements, including supporting training and development opportunities for California Certified Rangeland Managers
- Provide support for business training and workforce development to help new and existing livestock grazers shift from a production model to a service model
- Increase lease terms on agency-managed grazing lands (e.g., 5-year minimums) and expand cost-share opportunities for permanent infrastructure development to help grazers recover investments, ensure economic viability, and support sustainable grazing practices

Enhance policy and regulatory support for prescribed grazing projects

- Develop regional guidelines and grazing management plans (currently in development by the Board of Forestry and Fire Protection’s Range Management Advisory Committee)
- Streamline CEQA permitting process for state-funded prescribed grazing projects, including updating CalVTP to encompass a broader range of qualifying project sites
- Facilitate streamlined NEPA analyses for prescribed grazing efforts on federal lands
- Reduce insurance rates for homeowners and communities using prescribed grazing for fuels reduction

Expand monitoring and applied research activities

- Support development of standardized contract performance metrics and vegetation removal criteria to quantify the amount of fuels removed or modified
- Incorporate total acres grazed and associated fuel reduction benefits (i.e., incidental, co-benefit, or primary; **Box 1**) into state and national target reporting, as permitted by agency guidelines
- Provide funding for applied research on scaling up prescribed grazing as part of regional, integrated strategies for fuels management, ecosystem resilience, and local economic opportunities
- Support applied research on how strategies across the grazing management spectrum (**Box 1**) can be used to build fire-smart landscapes

Accelerate community engagement and cross-boundary collaborations

- Integrate prescribed grazing across the California’s Wildfire and Forest Resilience Action Plan goals
- Fund regional prescribed grazing coordinator positions to enhance capacity for collaboration across state, federal, and private land boundaries
- Provide funding to expand outreach and education for resource professionals, policy decision-makers, and other stakeholders on integrating prescribed grazing into joint strategies at regional scales

Prescribed Grazing Work Group Members

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Alan Bower, *USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service, State Rangeland Management Specialist*

Cole Bush, *Range Management Advisory Committee member and southern CA practitioner*

Diana Craig, *USDA Forest Service, Pacific Southwest Region*

Bart Cremers, *Range Management Advisory Committee member and northern CA practitioner*

Katie Delbar, *CA Board of Forestry and Fire Protection, range/livestock member*

Lynn Huntsinger, *UC Berkeley, Professor of Rangeland Ecology and Management*

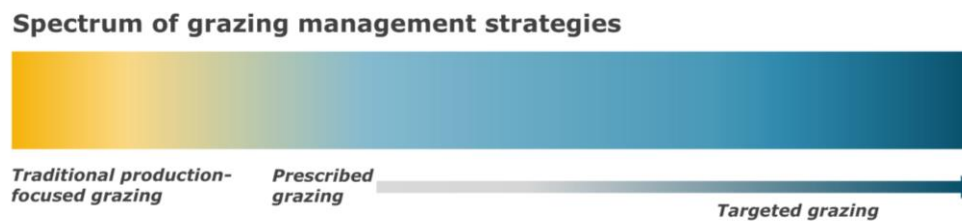
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BOX 1. Grazing can be adaptively managed by adjusting the number and type of animals (e.g., cattle, sheep, and goats), as well as the timing, intensity, duration, frequency, and spatial distribution of grazing. This results in a spectrum of management strategies, ranging from extensive to intensive, each of which offers opportunities to positively impact fuel loads and wildfire resiliency. At one end of the spectrum, traditional, production-based management focuses on optimizing grazing to support meat, fiber, and milk production, which can yield incidental benefits such as an annual reduction in fine fuels. With increasing management intensity and planning, livestock grazing can also be prescribed to deliver conservation co-benefits, such as reducing fuel loads, managing invasive plants, and promoting biodiversity and wildlife habitat. More intensive targeting prescriptions (“targeted grazing”) focus on specific vegetation goals as the primary objectives. While all livestock grazing contributes to fuels reduction, this spectrum of strategies enables managers to address diverse regional needs for fuels management and post-fire resilience.



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sb 675 required consideration of prescribed grazing as a wildfire prevention tool

CEQA exemption approved by state governor for fuels reduction projects. Calfire is requesting that the exemption apply to the project permanently, even for maintenance

[Date]

The Honorable Melissa Hurtado
California State Senate
1021 O Street, Suite 6510
Sacramento, California 95814

RE: Senate Bill 496 (Hurtado): Advanced Clean Fleets – Support [As Introduced]

Dear Senator Hurtado:

The [Agency Name] is pleased to support your Senate Bill 496, related to the Advanced Clean Fleets mandates. [Insert a brief description of your agency, particularly the services it provides.]

Local agencies like ours continue to do our part in achieving the State's climate and emissions goals. SB 496 will enable us to better meet this challenge and effectively navigate the current Advanced Clean Fleets (ACF) mandates and their associated ambitious compliance deadlines. Of critical concern to our community, the ACF mandates on local agencies are creating unnecessary challenges in complying while maintaining the many critical services Californians rely upon for their most essential daily needs as well as during emergencies and disasters.

SB 496 will provide some relief to local agencies by establishing an Appeals Advisory Committee by which local agencies may request a review of exemption request denials. This ensures transparency while protecting due process for those seeking further review.

Additionally, SB 496 would update the emergency vehicle exemption, allowing those vehicles that respond to and support critical operations related to emergencies and disasters, often under austere conditions, to continue to protect our communities.

SB 496 also modifies the requirements of the daily usage exemption, removing barriers for the applicant to comply with the mandate. Moreover, the legislation promotes affordability amid rapidly rising cost pressures on essential local services by averting the costly acquisition of ZEVs before it is possible to install the infrastructure required to use them.

These improvements to the ACF will protect the health and safety of Californians, avoid unnecessary costs detrimental to our shared long-term goals, and ensure that local agencies can continue to work diligently to decarbonize their fleet operations and comply with the ACF without being penalized for factors beyond their control. For these reasons [Agency Name] is pleased to support your Senate Bill 496. Please feel free to contact us with any questions.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

[Printed Name]

[Title]

[Agency Name]

CC: [Your local Senator]

[Your local Assembly Member]

Anthony Tannehill, Legislative Representative, California Special Districts Association [advocacy@cstda.net]

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF
DIRECTORS GROVELAND COMMUNITY SERVICES
DISTRICT GROVELAND, CALIFORNIA
February 11, 2025
10:00 a.m.**

The Board of Directors of Groveland Community Services District met in regular session on the above mentioned date with Directors Nancy Mora President, Robert Swan Vice President, John Armstrong, and Janice Kwiatkowski being present. Also present was Board Secretary Rachel Pearlman, Administrative Services Technician II Meghan Atkins, Finance Officer Michelle Ronning, Operations Manager Luis Melchor and General Manager Peter Kampa.

Call to Order

Director Mora called the meeting to order at 10:01am.

Director Edwards absent.

Approve Order of Agenda

Motion

It was moved by Director Armstrong and seconded by Director Swan and the motion passed to approve the order of the Agenda.

Ayes: Directors Mora, Swan, Armstrong, and Kwiatkowski

Absent: Director Edwards

Public Comment

None

Information Items

Brief reports may be provided by District staff and/or Board members as information on matters of general interest. No action will be taken by the Board during Reports, however items discussed may be recommended for discussion and action on a future agenda. Public comments will be taken after each report is provided.

Staff Reports

Fire Department Report

CERT Report

Operations Manager's Report

Administrative Services Manager's Report

General Manager's Report

Proclamations

Recognition of Jennifer Donabedian for her 14 Years of Service to the Groveland Community Services District

Recognition of Adam Ahlswede for his 5 Years of Service to the Groveland Community Services District

Recognition of Nancy Mora for her 7 Years of Service to the Groveland Community Services District

Consent Calendar

Consent Calendar items are considered routine and will be acted upon by one motion. There will be no separate discussion on these items unless a member of the Board, Staff or a member of the Public requests specific items be set aside for separate discussion.

Approve Minutes from January 9, 2025, Regular Meeting

Accept January 2025 Payables

Notice of the Filing of the Mary Laveroni Park Improvements Project (REBID) Notice of Completion with the County of Tuolumne

Notice of the Filing of the Hardrock Groundwater Test Well Project Notice of Completion with the County of Tuolumne

Waive Reading of Ordinances and Resolutions Except by Title

Old Business

(Items tabled or carried forward from a previous meeting to be considered on this agenda. The Board of Directors intends to consider each of the following items and may take action at this meeting. Public comment is allowed on each individual agenda item listed below, and such comment will be considered in advance of each Board action)

None

Discussion and Action Items

The Board of Directors intends to consider each of the following items and may take action at this meeting. Public comment is allowed on each individual agenda item listed below, and such comment will be considered in advance of each Board action.

Board Discussion and Support for the District to Assist the Project Managers of the Tuolumne County FireSafe Council in Implementation of the Defensible Space for Seniors and Disabled in Tuolumne County project

Motion

It was moved by Director Armstrong and seconded by Director Kwiatkowski and the motion passed to direct staff to assist the project managers of the Tuolumne County FireSafe Council in Implementation of the Defensible Space for Seniors and Disabled in Tuolumne County project.

Ayes: Directors Mora, Swan, Armstrong, and Kwiatkowski

Absent: Director Edwards

Board Review and Discussion Pertaining to the District's Response to the Tuolumne County Planning Commission Regarding the Tiny House Village Project

Motion

Discussion item only, no action taken.

The meeting convened into a break at 12:30pm.

The meeting reconvened at 12:35pm.

Adoption of a Resolution Approving a Revised and Updated District Organizational Chart to Reflect the Addition of an Executive Assistant Position

Motion

It was moved by Director Swan and seconded by Director Armstrong and the motion passed to adopt Resolution 06-2025 Approving a Revised and Updated District Organizational Chart to Reflect the Addition of an Executive Assistant Position.

Ayes: Directors Mora, Swan, Armstrong, and Kwiatkowski

Absent: Director Edwards

Adoption of a Resolution Amending the District's Salary Schedule as Recommended in the Total Compensation Analysis Report Prepared by Bryce Consulting Inc., With Salary Adjustments Effective for the Pay Period Beginning March 7, 2025

Motion

It was moved by Director Kwiatkowski and seconded by Director Armstrong and the motion passed to adopt Resolution 07-2025 Amending the District's Salary Schedule as Recommended in the Total Compensation Analysis Report Prepared by Bryce Consulting Inc., With Salary Adjustments Effective for the Pay Period Beginning March 7, 2025.

Ayes: Directors Mora, Swan, Armstrong, and Kwiatkowski

Absent: Director Edwards

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 12:46pm.

APPROVED:

Nancy Mora, Board President

ATTEST:

Rachel Pearlman, Board Secretary

**SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF
DIRECTORS GROVELAND COMMUNITY SERVICES
DISTRICT GROVELAND, CALIFORNIA
February 25, 2025
10:00 a.m.**

The Board of Directors of Groveland Community Services District met in special session on the above mentioned date with Directors Nancy Mora President, Spencer Edwards, and Janice Kwiatkowski being present. Also present was General Manager Peter Kampa, Finance Officer Michelle Ronning, and Administrative Services Technician Meghan Atkins.

Call to Order

Director Mora called the meeting to order at 10:12am.

Directors Swan and Armstrong were absent.

Approve Order of Agenda

Motion

It was moved by Director Edwards and seconded by Director Mora and the motion passed to approve the order of the Agenda.

Ayes: Directors Mora, Edwards, and Kwiatkowski

Absent: Directors Swan and Armstrong

Public Comment

None

Discussion and Action Items

The Board of Directors intends to consider each of the following items and may take action at this meeting. Public comment is allowed on each individual agenda item listed below, and such comment will be considered in advance of each Board action.

Presentation of FY 2024-2025 2nd Quarter Financial Statement and Review of Investment Report

Motion

Discussion item only, no action taken.

Review of the Groveland Community Services District California Employers' Retiree Benefit Trust (CERBT)

Motion

Discussion item only, no action taken.

Adoption of a Resolution Approving a Mid-Year 2024/25 Budget Adjustment to Include Non-Budgeted Items, Items Previously Approved by the Board, the Addition and Modifications of the Capital Outlay/Project Schedules and Operating Expense Adjustments

Motion

It was moved by Director Kwiatkowski and seconded by Director Edwards and the motion passed to adopt Resolution 08-2025 Approving Mid-Year 2024/25 Budget Adjustment to Include Non-Budgeted Items, Items Previously Approved by the Board, the Addition and Modifications of the Capital Outlay/Project Schedules and Operating Expense Adjustments.

Ayes: Directors Mora, Edwards, and Kwiatkowski

Absent: Directors Swan and Armstrong

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Discussion of and Board Direction on the Development of Updated Management Objectives which Identify Management Actions Intended to Accomplish the Goals of the Board of Directors

Motion

At the request of the General Manager, this item has been tabled until further notice.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 11:44am.

APPROVED:

Nancy Mora, Board President

ATTEST:

Rachel Pearlman, Board Secretary



ACCOUNTS PAYABLE CHECK LISTING

February 2025
Fiscal Year 2024/25
Board Approval Date _____

Accounts Payable Checks



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24656	am01	AM Consulting Engineers, Inc.	2/5/2025	False	True	Monthly Engineering - December 2024	\$50,078.40	True	2/21/2025
24657	AST01	Astra Industrial Services	2/5/2025	False	True	Blackflow Equipment Calibration	\$270.86	True	2/21/2025
24658	BEN03	Benchmark Engineering	2/5/2025	False	True	Hetch Hetchy Property Acq - ALTA Survey	\$6,755.00	True	2/21/2025
24659	BOR01	Borges & Mahoney	2/5/2025	False	True	Spare Parts for Big Creek OSG	\$2,524.63	True	2/11/2025
24660	Cit02	City of Sonora	2/5/2025	False	True	FY2024/25 LAFCO Share	\$7,419.49	True	2/28/2025
24661	Cle03	CleanSmith Solutions	2/5/2025	False	True	Disinfection/Janitorial Services Monthly - January 2025	\$4,400.00	True	2/11/2025
24662	DEP09	Department of Forestry & Fire Protection	2/5/2025	False	True	Schedule A FY25 - Q2	\$258,372.65	True	2/21/2025
24663	DRU01	Drugtech Toxicology Services, LLC	2/5/2025	False	True	Consortium DOT Tests	\$154.00	True	2/21/2025
24664	Fas02	Fastenal	2/5/2025	False	True	Disposable Gloves	\$862.05	True	2/21/2025
24665	FOO01	Foothill-Sierra Pest Control	2/5/2025	False	True	Winter Weed Control - Pest Control - January 2025	\$2,698.00	True	2/21/2025
24666	GCS02	GCSO	2/5/2025	False	True	GCSO Water Bill - January 2025	\$23,116.10	True	2/21/2025
24667	UB*0343	Grumet, Rhoda	2/5/2025	False	True	Refund Check 010118-000, 19774 Pine Mountain Drive 1/445	\$29.67	False	
24668	HAC01	Hach	2/5/2025	False	True	DR6000 UV VIS Spectrophotometer w RFID Technology	\$20,354.42	True	2/21/2025
24669	ICAD01	Industrial Control and Design, Inc.	2/5/2025	False	True	SCADA Engineering	\$390.00	True	2/21/2025
24670	JSW02	J.S. West Propane Gas	2/5/2025	False	True	Monthly Propane - January 2025	\$6,692.06	True	2/21/2025
24671	UB*0342	Moiseff, Michael	2/5/2025	False	True	Refund Check 014356-000, 12096 Breckenridge Road 13/134	\$40.00	True	2/21/2025
24672	MOU03	Mountain Oasis Water Systems	2/5/2025	False	True	Bottled Water	\$111.00	True	2/21/2025
24673	UB*0343	Owens, R	2/5/2025	False	True	Refund Check 011710-000, 20157 Upper Skyridge Drive 15/25	\$225.72	True	2/28/2025
24674	per04	Percoco, Ronald	2/5/2025	False	True	Uniform Laundering - January 2025	\$2,740.00	True	2/21/2025
24675	PGE01	PG&E	2/5/2025	False	True	Monthly Electric Charges - January 2025	\$1,055.72	False	
24676	SUE01	Ray Sues Insurance & Invst	2/5/2025	False	True	Retired Employee Health Insurance - January 2025	\$5,468.88	True	2/28/2025
24677	UB*0343	Robinson, Joseph & Julie	2/5/2025	False	True	Refund Check 016029-000, 20655 Longview Drive 3/266	\$85.45	True	2/28/2025
24678	Sprbrk	Springbrook Holding Company LLC	2/5/2025	False	True	Civic Pay Monthly - January 2025	\$1,519.30	True	2/21/2025
24679	STA08	Standard Insurance Co	2/5/2025	False	True	Life Ins Coverage - February 2025	\$363.41	True	2/21/2025
24680	UB*0343	Streeter, Tamera	2/5/2025	False	True	Refund Check 016934-000, 21224 Jimmersall Lane 12/103	\$163.47	True	2/28/2025
24681	SOL02	The Solv Group	2/5/2025	False	True	1099 NEC Forms - Springbrook Version	\$44.12	True	3/4/2025
24682	Tra03	Tractor Supply Credit Plan	2/5/2025	False	True	Replacement Gate / Hardware for 37 Acre Parcel	\$280.94	True	2/21/2025
24683	USS01	US Standard Products	2/5/2025	False	True	Snow & Ice Melt for Walkways	\$372.86	True	2/21/2025
24684	Wells	Wells Fargo Vendor Financial Services, LLC	2/5/2025	False	True	Monthly Lease on Admin Copier	\$359.28	True	2/11/2025
24685	WHI03	White Brenner, LLP	2/5/2025	False	True	Legal Services - December 2024	\$7,687.47	True	2/11/2025
24686	WIZ01	WiZiX Technology Group, Inc	2/5/2025	False	True	Copier - Copier Overage January 2025	\$49.23	True	2/21/2025
24687	All06	AllStar Fire Equipment, Inc	2/11/2025	False	True	Turnout Gear for Fire Department	\$573.12	True	2/21/2025

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24688	BEA02	Beam	2/11/2025	False	True	Vision Coverage - February 2025	\$336.47	True	2/21/2025
24689	GEN01	General Plumbing Supply	2/11/2025	False	True	B30 box for ARV - Beck Rd / Stock Water Service Line Poly Pipe	\$311.53	True	2/21/2025
24690	LOW01	Lowe's Companies, Inc.	2/11/2025	False	True	Wire Mesh for Water Meters	\$20.85	True	2/21/2025
24691	ups9	UPS	2/11/2025	False	True	Kunkle Shipping Charges	\$34.42	True	2/21/2025
24692	BLU01	Anthem Blue Cross	2/19/2025	False	True	Monthly Group Health Ins.- February 2025	\$33,575.60	True	3/4/2025
24693	ATT02	AT&T	2/19/2025	False	True	Monthly Cal Net Phone Service - January 2025	\$1,333.04	False	
24694	Bau01	Bauer Compressors	2/19/2025	False	True	SCBA Fill Station Annual Service	\$1,361.25	True	3/4/2025
24695	CWEA	CWEA	2/19/2025	False	True	CWEA Membership and Cert Renewal - A. Klein	\$360.00	False	
24696	DIS01	Dish Network	2/19/2025	False	True	Satellite TV for FD	\$113.61	False	
24697	EDIS01	E.D.I.S.	2/19/2025	False	True	Supplemental Health Ins - January 2025	\$665.00	False	
24698	FP Mail	FP Finance	2/19/2025	False	True	Monthly Postage Machine Rental - January 2025	\$107.24	False	
24699	GEN01	General Plumbing Supply	2/19/2025	False	True	Stock Water & Sewer Parts	\$956.78	True	2/28/2025
24700	gilb01	Gilbert CPAs	2/19/2025	False	True	November, December, January Services	\$11,400.00	True	2/28/2025
24701	ROT01	Groveland Rotary	2/19/2025	False	True	Rotary Lunch Meetings - January 2025	\$60.00	False	
24702	HEN06	Henry's Auto Supply	2/19/2025	False	True	Auto Parts / Supplies - January 2025	\$1,666.57	True	2/28/2025
24703	ITR01	Itron Electric Metering Co Inc	2/19/2025	False	True	Software maintenance 08/01/2024-10/31/2024	\$649.85	True	2/28/2025
24704	JSW02	J.S. West Propane Gas	2/19/2025	False	True	Monthly Propane - Addtl January 2025	\$6,533.00	True	3/4/2025
24705	MOT03	Mother Lode Answering Service	2/19/2025	False	True	Monthly Answering Service - January 2025	\$365.00	False	
24706	pml01	PML Hardware & Supply Inc.	2/19/2025	False	True	Monthly Hardware - January 2025	\$905.31	False	
24707	Ron01	Rudy, Roni Lynn	2/19/2025	False	True	Social Media Management	\$2,784.92	True	2/28/2025
24708	SFPUC	San Francisco Public Utilities Commission	2/19/2025	False	True	Monthly Water Purchase - January 2025	\$1,498.50	True	2/28/2025
24710	Stream	Streamline	2/19/2025	False	True	Streamline Flex - 02/01/2025-02/1/2026	\$4,740.00	True	3/4/2025
24711	SWR02	SWRCB	2/19/2025	False	True	T2 Exam - S. Billings	\$45.00	True	3/4/2025
24712	TRO01	Trotter Welding & Steel Supply	2/19/2025	False	True	Park Sign Fabrication / Stock Steel	\$215.79	False	
24713	TUO01	Tuo. Co. Public Power Agency	2/19/2025	False	True	Monthly Public Power Purchase - January 2025	\$16,593.46	True	3/4/2025
24714	Tuo14	Tuolumne County Recorder	2/19/2025	False	True	Monthly subscription to County Records - February 2025	\$243.50	True	3/4/2025
24715	ULI01	ULINE, Attn AR	2/19/2025	False	True	Rugs for AWS, Cleaning & Disinfectant for WTP	\$832.63	False	
24716	UMP01	UMPQUA Bank Comm Card Ops	2/19/2025	False	True	Credit Card Purchases - January 2025	\$11,111.03	True	2/21/2025
24717	USA03	Usa Blue Book	2/19/2025	False	True	Sensaphone Cellular Renewal	\$1,122.98	True	3/4/2025
24718	am01	AM Consulting Engineers, Inc.	2/25/2025	False	True	Monthly Engineering - January 2025	\$72,214.64	True	3/4/2025
24719	CNI01	Cal.net Inc	2/25/2025	False	True	Equipment & Installation for Internet / Phone Services	\$1,309.26	True	3/4/2025
24720	don02	Don Pedro Pump	2/25/2025	False	True	BC Turbine Removal / storage SFPUC tunnel work	\$19,967.61	True	3/4/2025
24721	ESRI01	Environmental Systems Research Institute Inc.	2/25/2025	False	True	Credits for ArcGIS Online Server Storage	\$120.00	False	
24722	Fas02	Fastenal	2/25/2025	False	True	Paper Towels	\$67.95	False	
24723	GRA04	Grainger	2/25/2025	False	True	Disposable Gloves	\$1,040.56	False	
24724	HAC01	Hach	2/25/2025	False	True	WTP Chemical Supplies	\$1,000.94	False	
24725	Hum02	Humana Insurance Company	2/25/2025	False	True	Dental Insurance - February 2025	\$3,050.22	False	
24726	ICAD01	Industrial Control and Design, Inc.	2/25/2025	False	True	SCADA Wiring Configuration For LS13, PH Alarms	\$2,250.00	True	3/4/2025
24727	UB*0330	Jacinto, John	2/25/2025	False	True	Refund Check 012976-000, 13046 Mokelumne 2/205	\$60.00	False	
24728	UB*0342	Moseff, Michael	2/25/2025	False	True	Refund Check 014356-000, 12096 Breckenridge Road 13/134	\$49.65	False	
24729	MOO01	Moore Bros. Scavenger Co., Inc.	2/25/2025	False	True	Monthly Debris Removal - January 2025	\$1,650.41	True	3/4/2025
24730	UB*0343	Ortega, Javier	2/25/2025	False	True	Refund Check 015530-000, 13209 Wells Fargo 2/376	\$41.40	False	
24731	Pro09	Provost & Pritchard Consulting	2/25/2025	False	True	HRRRTP - PAED Progress Billing	\$13,614.11	True	3/4/2025

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24732	UNI05	Univar Solutions	2/25/2025	False	True	AWS Chemicals	\$4,928.24	False	
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24734	WEL01	Well Industries, Inc.	2/25/2025	False	True	Final Retention - Hardrock Test Well Improvements Project	\$8,937.50	False	
115958	OE3	Operating Engineers Local #3	2/7/2025	False	True	PR Batch 00001.02.2025 Oper Engin Union Dues	\$387.72	False	
115959	OE3	Operating Engineers Local #3	2/25/2025	False	True	PR Batch 00002.02.2025 Oper Engin Union Dues	\$387.72	False	
902856	CAL09	CalPers 457 Plan Administrator	2/7/2025	False	True	PR Batch 00001.02.2025 CalPERS 457 ROTH	\$1,897.64	False	
902857	CAL23	CalPERS Social Security Administration	2/7/2025	False	True	Annual Social Security Administration 218 Fee	\$110.00	False	
902858	EDD01	EDD - Electronic	2/7/2025	False	True	PR Batch 00001.02.2025 Employmentt Training Tax	\$4,074.54	False	
902859	FedEFTP:	Federal EFTPS	2/7/2025	False	True	PR Batch 00001.02.2025 Medicare Employer Portion	\$20,273.24	False	
902860	Orion	Orion Portfolio Solutions	2/7/2025	False	True	PR Batch 00001.02.2025 Orion 457	\$2,406.78	False	
902861	PER01	Pers - Electronic	2/7/2025	False	True	PR Batch 00001.02.2025 PEPRA Employee	\$12,940.20	False	
902862	CAL09	CalPers 457 Plan Administrator	2/21/2025	False	True	PR Batch 00002.02.2025 CalPERS 457 ROTH	\$1,897.64	False	
902863	EDD01	EDD - Electronic	2/21/2025	False	True	PR Batch 00002.02.2025 State Income Tax	\$4,272.78	False	
902864	FedEFTP:	Federal EFTPS	2/21/2025	False	True	PR Batch 00002.02.2025 FICA Employee Portion	\$20,832.73	False	
902865	Orion	Orion Portfolio Solutions	2/21/2025	False	True	PR Batch 00002.02.2025 Orion 457	\$2,406.78	False	
902866	PER01	Pers - Electronic	2/21/2025	False	True	PR Batch 00002.02.2025 PERS Employer Exp.-Classic	\$13,122.04	False	
February 2025 Payroll							\$102,448.22		
Total February Payables							\$862,256.19		



BOARD MEETING AGENDA SUBMITTAL

TO: GCS D Board of Directors

FROM: Peter Kampa, General Manager

DATE: March 11, 2025

SUBJECT: Agenda Item 4D: Notice of the Filing of the Headworks Improvement Project Notice of Completion with the County of Tuolumne

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Staff recommends the following action:

Your Motion to Approve the Consent Calendar Recognizes the Filing of the Notice of Completion for the WWTP Headworks Replacement Project.

BACKGROUND:

The Headworks Improvements Project consisted of the replacement of the existing headworks screens with District furnished drums screens and washer/compactors, new bypass facilities, general site improvements, and building renovations.

The construction of the Project's scope of work has been completed per the plans and technical specifications prepared for the project, with modifications made through change orders. AM Consulting Engineers, Inc. attended a final walkthrough of the project site to verify that the project had been adequately completed.

Based on the findings during the final walkthrough the Headworks Improvements Project can be accepted and deemed complete.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Construction costs for the Headworks Improvements Project will be covered in full by Groveland CSD through sewer rate increases adopted beginning in 2018. Costs for these improvements were included in the adopted fiscal year 2022/2023 through 2024/2025 final budgets.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Resolution 07-2023
2. Notice of Completion

RESOLUTION 07-2023

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE GROVELAND COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF THE HEADWORKS IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT TO SIERRA MOUNTAIN CONSTRUCTION FOR A BID AMOUNT OF \$1,197,000.00 AND TO AUTHORIZE THE GENERAL MANAGER TO SIGN AN AGREEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE DISTRICT

WHEREAS, the Groveland Community Services District (herein referred to as District) is a local government agency formed and operating in accordance with Section §61000 et seq. of the California Government Code; and

WHEREAS, the District has the authority to construct, operate and maintain the Wastewater Treatment Facility; and

WHEREAS, the District needs to complete improvements to the Wastewater Treatment Facility; and

WHEREAS, the proposed improvements were included in the adopted fiscal year 2022/2023 final budget; and

WHEREAS, AM Consulting Engineers prepared plans and specifications for the Headworks Improvements Project; and

WHEREAS, the Project was advertised on January 12, 2023 in the Union Democrat; and

WHEREAS, a mandatory pre-bid meeting was held on January 11, 2023 where three (3) contractors attended; and

WHEREAS, the bids received were publicly opened and read on January 31, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the District has the authority to reject any and all bids, or to award the contract to the lowest responsive bidder; and

WHEREAS, Sierra Mountain Construction, Inc. bid dated January 31, 2023 is included herein for reference and are to be included in the contract documents as detailed in the project specifications.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE GROVELAND COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT DOES HEREBY approve as follows:

1. The General Manager is authorized to issue Notice of Award to the lowest bidder Sierra Mountain Construction, Inc.
2. The General Manager is authorized to execute the construction contract to the lowest bidder Sierra Mountain Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$1,197,000.00 after the Contractor's Performance and Payment Bonds are received.
3. The General Manager is authorized to negotiate Construction Change Orders (CCO) in an amount not to exceed a 15% increase in the original bid and contract amount.
4. The General Manager is authorized to negotiate deductive (cost) change order that result in a comparable work product.
5. The General Manager is authorized to negotiate a construction start date and issue the Notice to Proceed to the Contractor in accordance with the Project Plans and Specifications.
6. The General Manager is authorized to approve and process Contractor payments within the cost limitations stated herein, in accordance with the Project Plans and Specifications.
7. The General Manager is authorized to file the Project Notice of Completion in accordance with the Plans and Specifications.

WHEREFORE, this Resolution is passed and adopted by the Board of Directors of the Groveland Community Services District on February 7, 2023, by the following vote:

AYES: Directors Mora, Armstrong, Edwards, and Swan

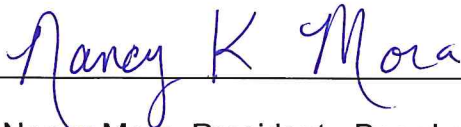
NOES:

ABSENT: Director Kwiatkowski

ATTEST:



Rachel Pearlman, Board Secretary



Nancy Mora, President - Board of Directors

CERTIFICATE OF SECRETARY

I, Rachel Pearlman, the duly appointed and acting Secretary of the Board of Directors of the Groveland Community Services District, do hereby declare that the foregoing Resolution was duly passed and adopted at a Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Groveland Community Services District, duly called and held on February 14, 2023.

DATED: 2-14-2023

**RECORDING REQUESTED BY:
AND FOR THE BENEFIT OF,**

Groveland Community Services District
No Fee-Gov/t. Code Sections
6103 and 27383

WHEN RECORDED, MAIL TO:

Groveland Community Services District
18966 Ferretti Rd,
Groveland, CA 95321

**Recorded in Official Records
County of Tuolumne County**

**Kaenan Whitman
County Recorder**

DOC # 2025-001593

02/20/2025
11:06 AM

Titles: 1 Pages: 1

Fees: \$0.00

Taxes: CA SB2 Fee: \$0.00

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Total: \$0.00

SPACE ABOVE THIS LINE FOR RECORDER'S USE

NOTICE OF COMPLETION

Notice pursuant to Civil Code Section 3093, must be filed within 10 days after completion.

Notice is hereby given that:

1. The undersigned is owner or corporate officer of the owner of the interest or estate stated below in the property hereinafter described:
2. The full name of the owner is: **Groveland Community Services District**
3. The full address of the owner is: **18966 Ferretti Rd, Groveland, CA 95321**
4. The nature of the interest or estate of the owner is: **In Fee**
5. A work of improvement on the property hereinafter described was completed on: **November 24, 2024**. The work done was: **Headworks equipment replacement, drainage improvements, bypass facility improvements, fencing improvements and building renovations.**
6. The name of the contractor, if any, for such work of improvement was: **Sierra Mountain Construction, Inc., 13919 Mono Way, Sonora, CA 95370.**
7. The properties on which said work of improvements were completed are in the County of Tuolumne, State of California, and are described as follows: **The Groveland Community Services District Wastewater Treatment Facility located on the east side of Ferretti Rd in Groveland.**
8. The street addresses of said properties are: **18966 Ferretti Rd, Groveland, CA 95321.**

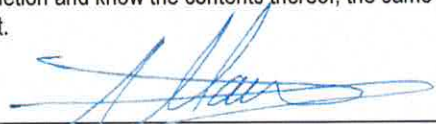
Dated: 2/19/2025


Peter Kampa
District Manager

VERIFICATION

I, the undersigned, say: I am the **Engineer for the Groveland Community Services District**, the declarant of the foregoing notice of completion;

I have read said notice of completion and know the contents thereof; the same is true of my own knowledge. I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.



(PERSONAL SIGNATURE OF THE INDIVIDUAL WHO IS SWEARING THAT THE CONTENTS OF THE NOTICE OF COMPLETION ARE TRUE.)

Executed on November 24, 2024, at Fresno, CA
(DATE) (LOCATION)

TO: GCSD Board of Directors

FROM: Peter Kampa, General Manager

DATE: March 11, 2025

SUBJECT: **Agenda Item 6A: Adoption of a Resolution Commending Assistant Chief Andy Murphy on his Retirement and for his Efforts and Accomplishments While Serving the Groveland Fire Department**

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Staff recommends the following action:

I move to approve Resolution 09-2025 commanding Assistant Chief Andy Murphy on his retirement and for his efforts and accomplishments while serving the Groveland Fire Department.

BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION:

Honoring the Retirement of Assistant County Fire Chief Andy Murphy

Assistant County Fire Chief Andy Murphy will retire from CAL FIRE effective April 30, 2025. His retirement marks the conclusion of a remarkable career dedicated to public service, leaving a lasting impact on the Tuolumne County Fire Department (TCFD), the Groveland Community Services District (GCSD) Fire Department, and the broader community. While we will deeply miss Chief Murphy's leadership, expertise, and dedication, we extend our heartfelt congratulations and gratitude for his extraordinary service and commitment to fire protection at the local, county, and state levels.

A Distinguished Career of Service

Chief Murphy's career spans over 34 years with CAL FIRE, where he has held critical leadership roles, including Tuolumne County Assistant Chief and Assistant County Fire Warden. In these roles, he was responsible for the management and administration of TCFD and GCSD Fire Department operations, overseeing training programs and supervising personnel across multiple schedules. His leadership extended to coordinating 41 volunteer firefighters and acting as Unit Duty Chief, ensuring seamless emergency response operations.

Beyond his core responsibilities, Chief Murphy built and maintained strong professional relationships with key stakeholders, including the Tuolumne County Board of Supervisors, county administrators, the GCSD General Manager and Board of Directors, as well as

numerous local, state, and federal agencies. He represented CAL FIRE and TCFD in meetings, committees, and working groups, frequently delivering formal presentations to governing boards and community organizations.

Chief Murphy's contributions also extended to major incident management. He served for eight years on CAL FIRE Incident Management Teams (IMTs) and is currently the Planning Section Chief for CAL FIRE IMT 2. His leadership in emergency management was complemented by his service in several specialized task forces, working groups, and as an acting TCU Administrative Officer. A certified Fire Officer, Fire Instructor, and licensed paramedic, Chief Murphy's extensive training in the Incident Command System and emergency management has been instrumental in shaping the region's fire services.

Impact on Groveland and Tuolumne County

Chief Murphy's contributions to the Groveland Community Services District have been invaluable. Recognizing the financial challenges faced by GCSD, he prioritized securing grant funding, empowering a capable team to write and manage grant proposals. As a result, Station 78 has received over \$1.3 million in grant funding since 2018, enhancing tools, technology, and fire fuels reduction efforts.

His dedication to improving fire services in Tuolumne County extended beyond grant funding. He played a pivotal role in strengthening the partnership between GCSD and Tuolumne County, securing county funding for Amador staffing at the CAL FIRE Groveland Station—relieving financial pressure on GCSD. Most recently, his efforts led to Tuolumne County's commitment to funding a second, year-round, fully staffed fire engine in the Groveland area, a critical enhancement for public safety in southern Tuolumne County.

Chief Murphy's leadership, advocacy, and unwavering commitment to public safety have left an indelible mark on our community. His legacy of service will continue to benefit Groveland, Tuolumne County, and beyond for years to come.

On behalf of the Groveland Community Services District, we extend our deepest gratitude to Chief Murphy for his outstanding leadership and service. We wish him the very best in his well-earned retirement and future endeavors.

Thank you, Chief Murphy—you are a true hero in our eyes!

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Resolution 09-2025

RESOLUTION 09-2025

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE GROVELAND COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT COMMENDING ASSISTANT CHIEF ANDY MURPHY FOR HIS EFFORTS AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS WHILE SERVING THE GROVELAND FIRE DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, Assistant County Fire Chief Andy Murphy has dedicated over 34 years of distinguished service to CAL FIRE, demonstrating exceptional leadership, unwavering commitment, and selfless dedication to public safety; and

WHEREAS, Chief Murphy has served as the Tuolumne County Assistant Chief and Assistant County Fire Warden, overseeing the management and administration of the Tuolumne County Fire Department (TCFD) and the Groveland Community Services District (GCSD) Fire Department, ensuring operational excellence, training personnel, and coordinating a team of professional and volunteer firefighters; and

WHEREAS, Chief Murphy has been instrumental in fostering and maintaining strong professional relationships with the Tuolumne County Board of Supervisors, county administrators, the GCSD General Manager and Board of Directors, and numerous local, state, and federal agencies, effectively advocating for fire service improvements and resources; and

WHEREAS, Chief Murphy has made invaluable contributions to major incident management, serving for eight years on CAL FIRE Incident Management Teams (IMTs) and currently as the Planning Section Chief for CAL FIRE IMT 2, further enhancing emergency response capabilities and public safety; and

WHEREAS, Chief Murphy has demonstrated exceptional leadership in securing vital grant funding, resulting in over \$1.3 million in grant awards for Station 78 since 2018, significantly enhancing tools, technology, and fire fuels reduction efforts for the betterment of Groveland and Tuolumne County; and

WHEREAS, Chief Murphy played a pivotal role in strengthening partnerships between GCSD and Tuolumne County, successfully securing county funding for Amador staffing at the CAL FIRE Groveland Station, easing financial burdens on GCSD, and advocating for a second, year-round, fully staffed fire engine in the Groveland area to improve fire protection and emergency response services; and

WHEREAS, Chief Murphy's unwavering dedication, expertise, and advocacy have left an indelible mark on the fire services of Tuolumne County, ensuring long-lasting benefits for the community and enhancing public safety for generations to come; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Groveland Community Services District, on behalf of its Board of Directors, staff, and the community, extends its deepest appreciation and heartfelt gratitude to Assistant County Fire Chief Andy Murphy for his outstanding leadership, exemplary service, and tireless dedication to protecting lives and property; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution of Appreciation be presented to Chief Murphy as a testament to his remarkable career and lasting contributions, with best wishes for his well-earned retirement and future endeavors.

WHEREFORE, this Resolution is passed and adopted by the Board of Directors of the Groveland Community Services District on March 11, 2025, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

APPROVE:

Nancy Mora, Board President

ATTEST:

Rachel Pearlman, Board Secretary

CERTIFICATE OF SECRETARY

I, Rachel Pearlman, the duly appointed and acting Secretary of the Board of Directors of the Groveland Community Services District, do hereby declare that the foregoing Resolution was duly passed and adopted at a Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Groveland Community Services District, duly called and held on March 11, 2025.

DATED: _____



TO: GCSB Board of Directors

FROM: Peter Kampa, General Manager

DATE: March 11, 2025

SUBJECT: Agenda Item 6B: Consideration of Signing the Declaration of Support for the Career Technical Education Program Developed by the Sonora Area Foundation

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Staff recommends the following action:

I move to authorize the General Manager to sign the Declaration of Support for the Career Technical Education Program Developed by the Sonora Area Foundation.

BACKGROUND:

Recommendation to the Board of Directors

The **Career Technical Education (CTE) Program** in Tuolumne County plays a vital role in preparing individuals for high-demand careers by providing hands-on training and industry-recognized certifications. These programs equip students with practical skills and real-world experience, ensuring they are workforce-ready upon graduation.

The **Sonora Area Foundation** is a driving force behind the expansion and promotion of CTE, working to:

- Inspire students, families, and educators to recognize the value and career potential of CTE.
- Connect individuals with high-quality programs that align with industry needs.
- Develop partnerships that enhance CTE offerings in response to evolving job markets.

Industry collaboration is essential to the success of this initiative. It is estimated that approximately 50% of high school students pursue careers in fields such as auto mechanics, fire and forestry, agriculture, welding, construction, hospitality, culinary arts, computer sciences, and healthcare. Strong partnerships between local businesses and CTE programs will help bridge the gap between education and workforce demands.

This initiative has been spearheaded by **Darrell Slocum**, CEO of the Sonora Area Foundation, and **Zack Abernathy**, Tuolumne County Superintendent of Schools. Initial support for the **CTE Declaration** has come from Columbia Elementary, Jamestown Elementary, Sonora Elementary, Sonora High, Soulsbyville Elementary, Summerville

Elementary, the Tuolumne County Board of Education, and the Tuolumne County Superintendent of Schools.

The **CTE Declaration** affirms the community's commitment to:

- **Advocating for increased funding** to expand and sustain CTE programs.
- **Promoting CTE career pathways** to students, parents, and educators.
- **Strengthening partnerships** between schools, businesses, and industry leaders.
- **Providing students with hands-on training, industry certifications, and work experience** to enhance career readiness.

By supporting the **Sonora Area Foundation's Career Technical Education Program**, the Groveland Community Services District aligns itself with a vital initiative that will strengthen our local workforce, support economic growth, and improve career opportunities for our youth.

Staff recommends that the Board approve execution of the CTE Declaration on behalf of the District.



BOARD MEETING AGENDA SUBMITTAL

TO: GCS D Board of Directors

FROM: Peter Kampa, General Manager

DATE: March 11, 2025

SUBJECT: Agenda Item 6C: Review and Discussion Regarding the Preliminary Cash Flow as Well as the Three Helioscope Designs Prepared by SitelogIQ for the Evaluation of Facility Improvements, Energy Conservation, Energy Generation, and/or Energy Management Services

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

No Board action is required at is time.

BACKGROUND:

On July 9, 2024, the Board authorized the General Manager to Enter into a Letter of Agreement with SitelogIQ for the Evaluation of Facility Improvements, Energy Conservation, Energy Generation, and/or Energy Management Services. SitelogIQ completed the evaluation and a project cashflow proforma, which resulted in the conclusion that pursuing the project does not make financial sense at this time.

We were unable to identify alternate sources of funding (Grants or special projects from the State or Federal government) that would make the project cost effective. The return on investment for the three proposed solar projects is far longer (close to 38 years) than the warranty (20 years) for the equipment.

As stated in the Letter of Agreement there is a \$25,000 flat fee for preparation of the feasibility report detailed in the letter agreement. If a solar project is not financially feasible due to a less than desirable cashflow and/or a lack of grant funding or some other criteria that makes the project not worthwhile, then nothing is owed to the consultant. If the project is determined feasible and cost effective, and we choose not to proceed with this consultant, then we pay the flat fee. If we proceed with this consultant into design of the project, the flat fee is also waived. There are no fees associated with this evaluation as the project is not cost effective at this time.

District staff will still be evaluating a Solar solution for GCS D, but we will need to have significant state or federal subsidies to make a project viable. IT Manager Steve Rogers will be available at the meeting to answer any questions.

ATTACHMENTS:

Site Plans Big Creek Shaft Rd
Site Plans Second Garrotte
Site Plans Sewer Treatment Plant



PROJECT PROFORMA CASH FLOW ^{1,2}



Scope: 3 Sites (Big Creek, Second Garrotte, Ferretti Water Tank) - Solar Only									
Year	Annual Finance Payment (Loan 1)	ECAA Loan	Cash Funded Amount	Solar O&M Service & Energy Dashboard	Avoided Cost & Maintenance Savings	Federal IRA Incentive	Annual Project Energy Savings	Net Annual Savings	Cumulative Savings
0	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,869,210	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (1,869,210)	\$ (1,869,210)
1	\$ -	\$ 54,307		\$ 10,900	\$ -	\$ 688,500	\$ 60,760	\$ 684,053	\$ (1,185,157)
2	\$ -	\$ 54,307		\$ 11,227	\$ -		\$ 63,798	\$ (1,736)	\$ (1,186,892)
3	\$ -	\$ 54,307		\$ 11,564	\$ -		\$ 66,988	\$ 1,117	\$ (1,185,775)
4	\$ -	\$ 54,307		\$ 11,911	\$ -		\$ 70,338	\$ 4,120	\$ (1,181,655)
5	\$ -	\$ 54,307		\$ 18,402	\$ -		\$ 73,855	\$ 1,146	\$ (1,180,509)
6	\$ -	\$ 54,307		\$ 12,636	\$ -		\$ 77,547	\$ 10,604	\$ (1,169,905)
7	\$ -	\$ 54,307		\$ 13,015	\$ -		\$ 81,425	\$ 14,103	\$ (1,155,803)
8	\$ -	\$ 54,307		\$ 13,406	\$ -		\$ 85,496	\$ 17,783	\$ (1,138,019)
9	\$ -	\$ 54,307		\$ 13,808	\$ -		\$ 89,771	\$ 21,656	\$ (1,116,363)
10	\$ -	\$ 54,307		\$ 21,333	\$ -		\$ 94,259	\$ 18,619	\$ (1,097,744)
11	\$ -	\$ 54,307		\$ 14,649	\$ -		\$ 98,972	\$ 30,017	\$ (1,067,728)
12	\$ -	\$ 54,307		\$ 15,088	\$ -		\$ 103,921	\$ 34,526	\$ (1,033,202)
13	\$ -	\$ 54,307		\$ 15,541	\$ -		\$ 109,117	\$ 39,269	\$ (993,933)
14	\$ -	\$ 54,307		\$ 16,007	\$ -		\$ 114,573	\$ 44,259	\$ (949,674)
15	\$ -	\$ 54,307		\$ 24,731	\$ -		\$ 120,301	\$ 41,263	\$ (908,411)
16	\$ -	\$ 54,307		\$ 16,982	\$ -		\$ 126,316	\$ 55,028	\$ (853,383)
17	\$ -	\$ 54,307		\$ 17,491	\$ -		\$ 132,632	\$ 60,834	\$ (792,549)
18	\$ -	\$ 54,307		\$ 18,016	\$ -		\$ 139,264	\$ 66,941	\$ (725,609)
19	\$ -	\$ 54,307		\$ 18,557	\$ -		\$ 146,227	\$ 73,363	\$ (652,245)
20	\$ -	\$ 54,307		\$ 28,670	\$ -		\$ 153,538	\$ 70,562	\$ (581,684)
21	\$ -	\$ -		\$ 19,687	\$ -		\$ 161,215	\$ 141,529	\$ (440,155)
22	\$ -	\$ -		\$ 20,277	\$ -		\$ 169,276	\$ 148,999	\$ (291,156)
23	\$ -	\$ -		\$ 20,886	\$ -		\$ 177,740	\$ 156,854	\$ (134,302)
24	\$ -	\$ -		\$ 21,512	\$ -		\$ 186,627	\$ 165,115	\$ 30,813
25	\$ -	\$ -		\$ 33,236	\$ -		\$ 195,958	\$ 162,722	\$ 193,535
26	\$ -	\$ -		\$ 22,822	\$ -		\$ 205,756	\$ 182,934	\$ 376,469
27	\$ -	\$ -		\$ 23,507	\$ -		\$ 216,044	\$ 192,537	\$ 569,006
28	\$ -	\$ -		\$ 24,212	\$ -		\$ 226,846	\$ 202,634	\$ 771,640
29	\$ -	\$ -		\$ 24,938	\$ -		\$ 238,188	\$ 213,250	\$ 984,890
30	\$ -	\$ -		\$ 25,687	\$ -		\$ 250,098	\$ 224,411	\$ 1,209,301
Totals	\$ -	\$ 1,086,140		\$ 560,696	\$ -	\$ 688,500	\$ 4,036,848	\$ 1,209,301	\$ 1,209,301

Notes:

- 1) SitelogIQ is not a Municipal Financial Advisor and this tool is used to confirm if the proposed project is Budget Neutral or better in compliance with CA Govt. Code 4217.
- 2) Cash Flow is based on a Preliminary Analysis using rough order of magnitude budgetary estimates and other standard assumptions. Final analysis and results may vary.
- 3) This cash flow should not be considered a proposal.

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INPUTS	
BASE PROJECT COST	\$ 2,760,200
5% Contingency	\$ 138,010
TOTAL PROJECT COST	\$ 2,898,210
Cash Funded Amount	\$ 1,869,210
ECAA LOAN AMOUNT	\$ 980,000
ECAA LOAN FINANCE TERM (YEARS)	20
ECAA LOAN INTEREST RATE	1.00%
ECAA LOAN # YEAR DEFERRAL	1
UTILITY ESCALATION	5.0%
CALCULATED ENERGY SAVINGS	\$ 57,867
SOLAR O&M	\$ 10,900
O&M/MAINT ESCALATION	3.0%
Cash Available	
IRA Contribution	\$ 688,500



