SAN GABRIEL BASIN WATER QUALITY AUTHORITY
ADMINISTRATIVE/FINANCE COMMITTEE
OCTOBER 14, 2026 AT 10:00 A.M.

CALL TO ORDER	Ms. Noriega called the Administrative/Finance committee meeting of the San Gabriel Basin Water Quality Authority to order and reviewed the actions anticipated on the agenda for the meeting.
REMOTE PARTICIPATION DECLARATION – AB 2449 [Government Code 54953(f)]	None.
COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT	Lynda Noriega, Robert DiPrimio and Mark Paulson.
WATERMASTER LIASON	None.
COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT	None.
OTHER BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT	None.
STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT	Randy Schoellerman, Executive Director; Dan Colby, Assistant Executive Director; Stephanie Moreno, Director of Communications; Maritza Cardenas, Director of Finance Jackie Montgomery, Accounting Specialist; Pearl Escobar, Project Resource Specialist; Michelle Sanchez, Senior Administrative Assistant/Office Coordinator
MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC PRESENT	Bruce Knoles, San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District; Lenet Pacheco, Valley County Water District
MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ONLINE	
PUBLIC COMMENT	None.
Discussion Regarding ACWA/JPIA Restated Bylaws and Voter Designation Form	Mr. Schoellerman reported that the Association of California Water Agencies (ACWA) will hold a membership vote by electronic ballot on proposed Amended and Restated Bylaws, as recommended by the ACWA Board of Directors on September 25, 2026. He reviewed the changes to the Bylaws, noting that they were non-substantial and administrative. He explained that the electronic ballot follows the same process used to elect ACWA Board Officers and Region Boards. It

allows all member agencies to vote, rather than only those attending an ACWA conference in person. Each member agency is entitled to one vote, cast by its designated voting representative. Member agencies must submit the voting representative form by October 30, 2026. The designated representative will receive the ballot by email on November 9, 2026, and ballots are due December 18, 2026.

After further discussion, the committee recommended that this go to the full Board for consideration to approve the Executive Director and Assistant Executive Director/Senior Project Manager as voting representative and alternate, respectively and to approve the proposed amendments to the ACWA Bylaws.

Discussion Regarding ABC Liovin – Change Order #1

Mr. Colby reported that in July 2024, WQA received a $4,153,452 Proposition 1 Implementation Grant for the Whitmore Site Groundwater Remediation Facility Project. He noted that the project includes 24 new wells (12 extraction and 12 monitoring), associated pipelines, and improvements to the existing treatment plant. He stated On September 17, 2025, WQA awarded the well drilling contract to ABC Liovin Inc. (ABC) for a not-to-exceed amount of $581,340.

He reported that ABC's drilling costs to date are approximately $633,704.50, which is $52,364.50 over the original contract amount. He explained the overrun was due to the final depths of the constructed wells, final well screen lengths and drilling methods, as described in the Weaver Consultants memo dated October 6, 2026. He reported that installation and development of three wells remain, at an estimated cost of $127,764. Change Order No. 1 totals $180,128.25, bringing the revised not-to-exceed amount to $761,468.25. All Project costs are reimbursable under the grant.

After further discussion; the committee recommend that this go to the full Board for consideration to approve Change Order No. 1 in the amount of $180,128.25 to ABC Liovin Inc. for a revised not-to-exceed amount of $761,468.25.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Mr. Schoellerman reported that he is participating in a Los Angeles County Water Plan Water Quality Permitting Consortium Workshop about the application of State Water Resources Control Board Division of Drinking Water (DDW) Policy 97-005 to impaired water sources on November 4, 2026. He noted that DDW, the Department of Toxic Substances Control, the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board, and LA County were expected to attend among others.

He provided an update on the Baldwin Park Operable Unit (BPOU) negotiations. He noted that all parties have reached an agreement in principle while some of the language is being

finalized. He reminded the committee that negotiations began in January 2026 and that this will be the third BPOU Agreement. He stated that the agreement is for 15 years and will be effective May 2027.

Mr. Schoellerman provided an update on federal funding efforts related to the San Gabriel Basin Restoration Fund (Restoration Fund). He reported that Congressman Cisneros and Congresswoman Judy Chu have introduced bill HR 10652 to increase the Restoration Fund authorization cap from $125 million to $250 million. He also noted that the proposed bill would eliminate the 10-year cap on O&M altogether.

He noted that he will be on vacation the next week and will not be at the board meeting.

Ms. Moreno gave an update on upcoming events as follows:

- October 24, 2026 – San Gabriel Valley Economic Partnership Awards Gala
- October 22, 2026 – Women In Water (co-hosting)
- December 1-3, 2026 – Fall ACWA Conference

ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Noriega asked if there were any other items of business to come before the committee. There being none, the meeting was adjourned.

Lynda Noriega
Chairwoman

Valerie Munoz
Secretary