

**GARBERVILLE SANITARY DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
AGENDA**

**There will be a regular meeting held by the Garberville Sanitary District Board of Directors at the
GSD District Office
919 Redwood Dr. Garberville, CA**

October 24, 2017

5:00 p.m. – Closed Session

5:30 p.m. – Open Session

Any writings or documents that are public records and are provided to a majority of the governing board regarding an open session item on this agenda will be made available for public inspection in the District Office located at 919 Redwood Dr. during normal business hours.

I. REGULAR MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

II. ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

Rio Anderson___, Linda Brodersen___, Doug Bryan___, Richard Thompson___, Gary Wellborn___

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA - Action to add or delete items from any portion of the agenda or to discuss any consent agenda items must be taken prior to adoption of the agenda.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT ON ANY ITEM ON THE CLOSED SESSION AGENDA

V. CLOSED SESSION

A. Conference with Legal Counsel-Anticipated Litigation. Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (d) of Government Code Section 54956.9: One Potential Case: The receipt of a written employment/labor law claim pursuant to the California Tort Claims Act dated August 11th, 2017, from Tina Stillwell. (California Government Code § 54956.9(e)(3).)

VI. OPEN SESSION (5:30 PM)—Reconvene and Report out of Closed Session

A. Board Report of action, if any, taken during closed session

VII. COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Up to fifteen minutes of this portion of the meeting are reserved for members of the public to address the Board on items not listed on the agenda and within the jurisdiction of the GSD Board. Speakers are limited to 3 minutes. The GSD Board is prohibited by law from taking action on matters discussed that are not on the Agenda, and no adverse conclusions should be drawn if the GSD Board does not respond to public comment at this time.

General Public / Community Groups

VIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS – Routine report of activities, operations, meetings / conferences held and/or attended by Board members, Staff, and General Manager

Operations Staff-

Office Staff-

Board Members- Board response to meet with RCSD Pg. 3

General Manager—Ralph Emerson Pg. 4

Government Code Section 54954.3 provides that the public will have an opportunity to address the Board on any item described on a regular or special meeting either before or during the consideration of that item. The Board reserves the right to limit the time of presentation by individuals and groups

IX. REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

A. CONSENT AGENDA

Notice to the Public

All matters listed under Consent Agenda are considered to be routine and all will be enacted by one motion and voice vote. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless the Board of Directors requests items to be removed from the Consent Agenda for separate action. Any items will be considered after the motion to approve the Consent Agenda.

A.1 Approve July and August Financials

A.2 Approve 9/19/17 Regular Meeting Minutes - pg. 5-7

A.3 Operations Safety Report- pg.8-9

Motion:

Second:

Vote:

B. GENERAL BUSINESS – Action items

Notice to the Public

The Board of Directors will allow public comment on agenda items although any person who wishes to speak on an agenda item must submit a request prior to the meeting being called to order. You will be given 5 minutes on each agenda item that you wish to comment and then the Board of Directors will discuss the item amongst themselves with no other public comment.

B.1 Rate Study Meeting - Update pg. 10
(information only)

B.2 Water usage Comparison Treated vs Metered Update
(information only)

B.3 Recognition of Gary Wellborn and his service to GSD pg. 11-12
(action required)

Motion:

Second:

Vote:

B.4 Requested Relief of Service Charges Information at meeting
(discussion possible action)

Motion:

Second:

Vote:

C. POLICY REVISION / ADOPTION

C.1 Policy Manual updates-Section 7.2-7.3 Smoking, Alcohol and Drug Policy pg. 13-16
(discussion possible action) 2nd reading (Resolution # 17-011)

Motion:

Second:

Vote:

C.2 Water Use Ordinance—Section 15.9 pg.17-21
(discussion only) 1st reading

X. ITEMS FOR NEXT BOARD MEETING

1. Connick Creek Contract
2. Agricultural Water Use Ordinance- Section 15.9
- 3.
- 4.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

Posting of Notice at the District Office no later than **October 20, 2017:** Agenda is emailed to the local newspapers and those who have requested an agenda in writing or e-mail.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need a special accommodation to participate, please contact the Garberville Sanitary District Office at (707)923-9566 at least 48 hours in advance.



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RCSD and GSD Joint Meeting
October 4, 2017

RCSD Board Members,

We received your letter of intent to find areas we may be able to assist each other and the Board unanimously approved setting up a joint Board Meeting, where the Board Members of each District will be able to meet each other and share ideas.

Please advise whether you would like to include a joint session at your meeting or would like us to invite you to ours? Our next meeting is October 24th.

Thank You for your interest in working together,

Sincerely,

Linda Brodersen

GSD Board Chair Person

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GENERAL MANAGER REPORT

Date: October 24, 2017

We have received the final easement agreement for the Wallen Road tank property and it will now be recorded with Humboldt County. I want to thank Scott and Debra for working with us on this process and allowing us to install a new road to the Wallen Road tank.

Staff has been working to get the District ready for winter storms and doing maintenance on equipment and vehicles. We will be renting equipment next month to remove vegetation and aquatic plants from wastewater ponds and we will be cleaning out ditches for rain runoff.

Andy Sundquist, Jennie Short and myself have been working on plans and funding opportunities for the Bear Canyon/Alder Point Rd water reroute project.

Jennie Short, staff and myself have been working on testing fire hydrants and preparing documents for bids. Jennie is overseeing the Bid document process and we are optimistic about sending out the bid packet during next month, with a 90 day completion date, once the contract is awarded.

We have been spending a lot of time determining the efficiency of our treatment facilities and verifying data compared to reports. Lenny Von Hoogenstyn and Quentin Owsley have been working with staff to install flow data equipment at our sewer headworks, so that we can better analyze influent wastewater gallons treated.

We are still in the customer training process of complying with the payment of service charge ordinance. Some are a little stubborn about enforcement of existing policy but most appreciate having us call them or explain what the billing process is.

The two pumps/motors and 5 pressure tanks should be installed at the Hurlbutt tank during the next two weeks. This capital replacement project will adequately provide potable water to upper Maple lane and those customers on Hillcrest Dr. Currently they are being served by water through the Oak St pump station.

Respectfully Submitted:

Ralph Emerson

**GARBERVILLE SANITARY DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
MINUTES**

**September 19, 2017
5:00 p.m. – Open Public Session**

I. REGULAR MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Meeting Called to Order at 5:02 p.m.

II. ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

Present-

Rio Anderson

Linda Brodersen

Doug Bryan

Richard Thompson

Gary Wellborn

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion: Rio Anderson

Second: Gary Wellborn

Vote: 5-0

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT ON ANY ITEM ON THE CLOSED SESSION AGENDA

V. CLOSED SESSION

A. No items for closed session

VI. OPEN SESSION

A. Board Report of action, if any, taken during closed session

VII. COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

General Public / Community Groups

No Members of the audience attended the Board Meeting.

VIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS

Correspondence- Redway Community Services District Letter

Operations Staff-

Office Staff- Billing card Update

Board Members- Doug, Rio and Ralph had a meeting- Positive outcome

General Manager—Ralph Emerson

Doug Bryan- Need a Rate Comparison spreadsheet between all Districts surrounding Southern Humboldt. The Park group put in a gate in front of the Water treatment plant.

IX. REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

A. CONSENT AGENDA

A.1 Approve Financials

Pull-Financials were not present at the meeting due to the transition of accounting firms.

A.2 Approve 8/29/17 Regular Meeting and 9/6/17 Special Meeting Minutes

A.3 Operations Safety Report

Motion: Richard Thompson Second: Gary Wellborn Vote: 5-0

B. GENERAL BUSINESS – *Action items*

B.1 Commercial Agricultural Water Use Requirements

The Districts priority is to insure adequate drinking water for human consumption. The District and Board of directors are working diligently together to put together a Commercial Agricultural Ordinance. In case of drought, it would be ideal for the high water users to store water during the winter months.

B.2 Historical River Flow Data (handout at meeting)

B.3 Customer Water Usage Comparisons (Residential vs Commercial)

B.4 Operations Report and Update on Projects—Dan will give Update.
(information only)

Upper Maple Hurlbutt tank- both pumps went bad. The District is serving upper maple with the old oak street booster station. Rogers’s machinery is helping figure out what happened to the pumps.

B.5 Request for Service Charge Relief
(discussion-possible action)

Table

B.6 Measure Z Update—Procedure Package
(Action Item)

Motion: Richard Thompson Second: Gary Wellborn Vote: 5-0

The Board approved the MOU between the County and the Sanitary District for 2017/18. The Board authorized Linda Brodersen to sign the MOU. The Board authorized the

preparation and distribution of the request for bids. For the replacement of the eight hydrants.

C. POLICY REVISION / ADOPTION

C.1 Policy Manual updates-Section 7.2-7.3 Smoking, Alcohol and Drug Policy

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X. ITEMS FOR NEXT BOARD MEETING

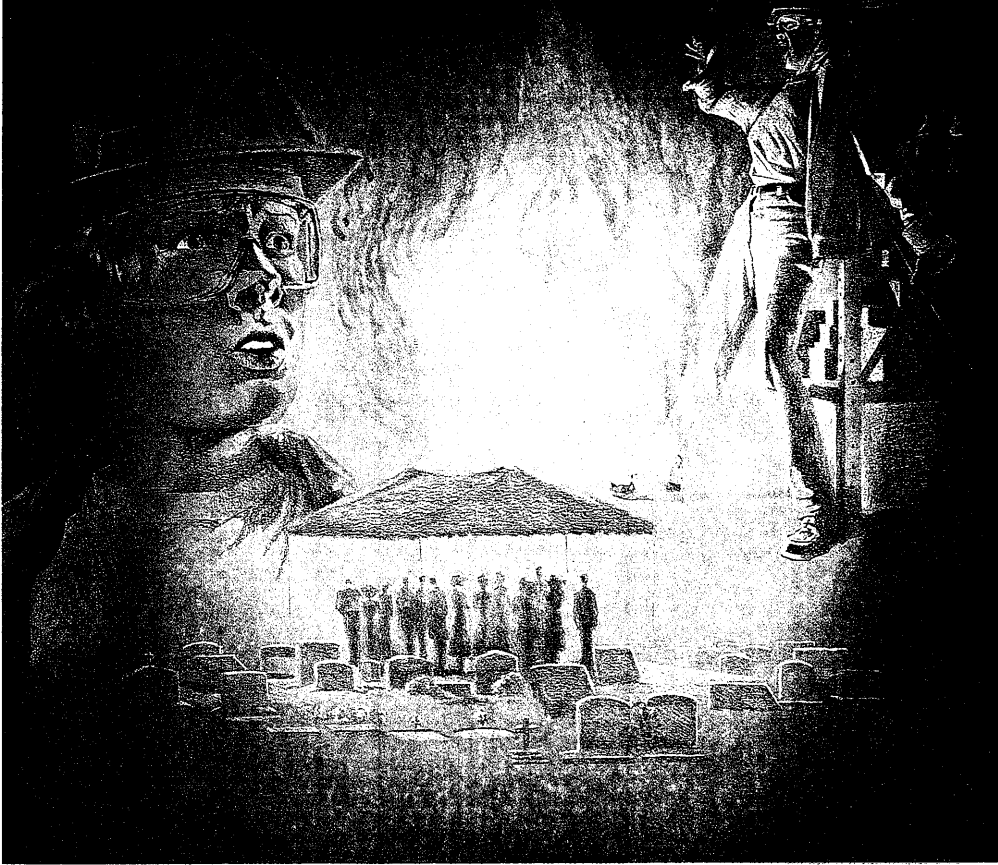
1. Agricultural water use ordinance
2. Update on Bear Canyon water reroute
3. Connick Creek Updated Contract
- 4.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

Linda Brodersen Adjourned The GSD Board Meeting @ 6:58 p.m.

FIRE SAFETY

There's No Second Chance



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ATTENDANCE ROSTER

Safety Meeting

Date of Meeting: 10/4/17 Leader Name: Ralph Emerson

Instructions:

- a. Fill in the date of the meeting and the name of the safety meeting leader.
- b. Have all safety meeting participants sign this roster.
(Copy this form if more pages are needed.)
- c. File this roster and the associated documents as outlined in the Leader Discussion Guide.

Name (print)	Name (signature)
1. <u>Ralph Emerson</u>	<u>Ralph Emerson</u>
2. <u>Dan Arreguin</u>	<u>Dan Arreguin</u>
3. <u>BRIAN MILLER</u>	<u>Brian Miller</u>
4. <u>Mary Nieto</u>	<u>Mary Nieto</u>
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Attachments: 1. Leader Discussion Guide 2. Safety Meeting Booklet

RATE STUDY UPDATE

October 11, 2017

Linda Brodersen and Richard Thompson met with me to discuss Capital Improvement Projects, 10-20 year planning for GSD and the rate structure we currently have, along with potential reductions to low water users and adjustments to high water users including commercial.

We will meet again before our November Board meeting and continue analyzing the fiscal health of GSD along with the required upgrades that will need to be addressed over the next 20 years.

Thank You for taking time out of your busy schedules to meet and address the needs of the District.

TOPICS OF DISCUSSION

1. Include 5 units of water in base rate (3,740 gallons) Residential and Commercial. Currently no water is included in base rate.
2. Adopt a 5, 10 and 20 year Capital Improvement Plan and Budget to complete those projects.
3. Include a 3rd tier for commercial and high water users to upgrade infrastructure and install required equipment to meet the high water usage demand.
4. Separate commercial agricultural water users from residential users with a meter
5. New owner or change of ownership will require customer to connect to GSD water and sewer if in District boundaries.
6. Residential sewer rates to be set based on winter water usage and not changed unless property usage changes.
7. Commercial sewer rates to be adjusted based on water usage and changed as water use increases.



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On behalf of myself and the Garberville Sanitary District, I want to thank Gary Wellborn for volunteering his time to assist in governing the District with a keen eye on fiscal accountability and providing safe and healthy water for our customers. Gary has unfortunately offered his resignation from the Board and will be unable to be with us tonight because he is moving tomorrow to Arizona.

Gary has left an indelible imprint on this community which was home to him and his wife Shon for 18 years. Gary & Shon have 3 children that live here and in southern California.

Gary met Shon 37 years ago as they worked for the same company in southern California. They lived in Loma Linda for 18 years and then moved to Garberville where Shon received a job. Gary is interested in ham radios, bowling and used to race cars.

When Gary moved to Garberville he quickly became involved in this community and volunteered or sat on the Board of Garberville Sanitary District, The Healy Center, OES Deputy Coordinator, Hospital Board and other volunteer groups. He is a 21 gallon blood donor and has been a valuable resource to me and this community.

Gary will be missed but we wish him and Shon well as they embark on this new adventure.

Thank You for your service

GSD Staff and Board

To: GSD Manager
GSD BOD

After almost eighteen years in Garberville and both Shon and I have retired, we now need to move on with the next stage of our lives. We are moving to Prescott, AZ probably Oct. 25th. We will be in the midst of packing and loading the moving van so I will probably not make the October BOD meeting. I am tendering my resignation from the GSD BOD effective October 25, 2017. I have enjoyed my short time on the GSD BOD.

On to my soapbox

In light of the massive fires in Northern Humboldt and the now extremely destructive fires in the Santa Rosa area, I would like the GSD to continue pressing the State of California to allow GSD to place fire hydrants in critical areas along the Kimtu water line. Having a 14000 foot water line passing through a densely wooded area with not one fire hydrant is just criminal. Please do not let this issue drop. Thank you all for your dedicated service to our community. We will miss all of our friends immensely but we need to move on. This is not the beautiful place we moved to eighteen years ago.

Gary Wellborn K6JXM
OES Deputy Coordinator
Southern Humboldt County

7.2 Smoking Policy

GSD is committed to providing a safe and healthy environment for employees and visitors. Therefore, smoking **any substance** is not permitted in the workplace.

7.3 Alcohol, **Marijuana** and Drug Use Policy

In accordance with our general personnel policies, whose overriding concern is a regard for the employee as an individual as well as a worker, GSD has adopted the following policy:

- a. We believe alcoholism and drug dependencies are illnesses and should be treated as such.
- b. **We believe the majority of employees who develop these dependencies can be helped to recover, and the District shall offer or facilitate appropriate assistance for the employee.**
- c. **We believe it is in the best interest of employees and the District that when alcoholism or drug dependency is present, it should be diagnosed and treated at the earliest possible stage. We believe the decision to seek diagnosis and accept treatment for any suspected illness is the responsibility of the employee. However, continued refusal of an employee to seek treatment when it appears that substandard performance may be caused by any illness is not tolerated.**
- d. **We believe the decision to seek diagnosis and accept treatment for any suspected illness is the responsibility of the employee. However, continued refusal of an employee to seek treatment when it appears that substandard performance may be caused by any illness is not tolerated will result in disciplinary action.**
- e. **We believe it is in the best interest of employees and the District that when alcoholism or drug dependency is present, it should be diagnosed and treated at the earliest possible stage.** The District requires all new employees to pass a drug screening, and may, at its discretion, require further drug screening. **The District reserves the right to screen employees for drug use as permitted by law including random drug screening of all employees, including managers, as well as drug and alcohol testing of individuals for cause**
- f. Confidential handling of the diagnosis and treatment of alcoholism or drug dependency will be the responsibility of the **appropriate manager General Manager or designee and the District Administrator.**
- g. **The objective of this policy is to retain employees who may develop alcohol or drug dependency by helping them to arrest its further advance before the condition renders them unemployable. Any employee who uses doctor prescribed drugs including medical marijuana must report such use to the General Manager or designee and be approved prior to employment or assigned tasks.**
- h. **All employees should be aware that the use of alcohol or any drugs interfering with safe and efficient functioning on the job is a matter of District concern and will be dealt with in an appropriate manner.**
- i. Employees are prohibited from drinking alcoholic beverages **or using unauthorized drugs** on company time or on company premises., **reporting to work or driving a District vehicle while under the influence of alcohol or drugs.** Employees are prohibited from working, driving a District vehicle or appearing on Garberville Sanitary District premises under the influence of or in the possession of alcohol, illegal drugs, controlled substances, prescription drugs, or over-the-counter remedies that may impair the employee's ability to function, or that may endanger the safety of others.
- j. Substantial evidence of illegal actions on the job, including the use of illegal drugs, when such actions can be traced to specific employees, will be reported to the appropriate authority and will result in disciplinary action by the District.
- k. Employees convicted of illegal drug traffic charges will be immediately terminated. Employees found to be involved in such traffic on company premises or during working hours will be terminated and reported to the appropriate authorities.

- I. All employees must pass a drug and alcohol screen prior To employment to beginning their duties. (See section 3.3.) The District reserves the right to screen employees for drug use as permitted by law including random drug screening of all employees, including managers, as well as drug and alcohol testing of individuals for cause.



GARBERVILLE SANITARY DISTRICT

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RESOLUTION NO. 17-011

A RESOLUTION OF THE GARBERVILLE SANITARY DISTRICT AUTHORIZING CHANGES TO ARTICLE 7.0, SECTION 7.2--7.3 OF THE EMPLOYEE PERSONNEL CONDUCT POLICY. CHANGES WILL ADDRESS DRUG, ALCOHOL AND SMOKING IN THE WORK PLACE AND WILL ADDRESS THE DISTRICT'S REQUIREMENT OF PROVIDING A POSITIVE AND HEALTHY WORK ENVIRONMENT.

WHEREAS, The Garberville Sanitary District is committed to providing a safe and healthy environment for employees and visitors.

WHEREAS, The Garberville Sanitary District will accommodate employees that require medical assistance or prescribed drugs to do their job but abuse or non-prescribed drugs that affect performance will result in discipline or termination.

WHEREAS, The District feels it is the responsibility of the employee to inform the General Manager or Designee of any medical condition or prescribed drug use.

WHEREAS, The District has the right to test for drugs prior to employment and at any time it feels the employee appears to be under the influence or that their job performance and safety of others including themselves is of concern.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDERED, that on this day, October 24th, 2017, Garberville Sanitary District authorizes a change to the EMPLOYEE PERSONNEL CONDUCT POLICY ARTICLE 7.0, SECTION 7.2—7.3.

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- c. The District requires all new employees to pass a drug screening, and may, at its discretion, require further drug screening. The District reserves the right to screen employees for drug use as

permitted by law including random drug screening of all employees, including managers, as well as drug and alcohol testing of individuals for cause

- d. Confidential handling of the diagnosis and treatment of alcoholism or drug dependency will be the responsibility of the General Manager or designee
- e. Any employee who uses doctor prescribed drugs including medical marijuana must report such use to the General Manager or designee and be approved prior to employment or assigned tasks.
- f. Employees are prohibited from drinking alcoholic beverages or using unauthorized drugs on company time or on company premises. Employees are prohibited from working, driving a District vehicle or appearing on Garberville Sanitary District premises under the influence of or in the possession of alcohol, illegal drugs, controlled substances, prescription drugs, or over-the-counter remedies that may impair the employee's ability to function, or that may endanger the safety of others.
- g. Substantial evidence of illegal actions on the job, including the use of illegal drugs, when such actions can be traced to specific employees, will be reported to the appropriate authority and will result in disciplinary action by the District.
- h. Employees convicted of illegal drug traffic charges will be immediately terminated. Employees found to be involved in such traffic on company premises or during working hours will be terminated and reported to the appropriate authorities.

**RESOLUTION NO. 17-011, PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 24th day of October 2017
by the following roll call vote:**

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

ATTEST:

Board Chair Person:

Linda Brodersen

Date

Clerk of Board:

Ralph Emerson, General Manager

Date

AGRICULTURAL—CANNABIS WATER USE ORDINANCE

Garberville Sanitary District has been experiencing an increase in requests for commercial cannabis endeavors and increased water usage but with the additional water demand, we find ourselves trying to supply the requested water, while meeting the potable water needs of other customers.

We do not have the infrastructure necessary to supply the water requested to meet this additional impact to our system, so I propose developing a new water ordinance to address agricultural water usage within GSD boundaries.

Possible Ordinance: 15.9 (new ordinance)

1. COMMERCIAL AGRICULTURAL WATER USE REQUIREMENTS AND RATES

- a. Any person requesting treated potable water for a commercial agricultural business or operation will be required to submit an application at the District office. This application will include the agricultural product and amount of plants or trees to be grown. This application will be renewed annually or commercial agricultural water use will be denied.
- b. This application will include the name and contact information of the owner and tenant of the property as well as the address of property and estimated gallons of water to be used daily during the growing process.
- c. A new water meter and connection fee will be required for every approved commercial agricultural operation or farm and all approved applicants will pay an additional base rate and water usage fee. In the event that Garberville Sanitary District faces drought conditions, infrastructure deficiencies or limitations on the approved diversion rate, the agricultural water will be turned off, to ensure adequate water for residential use and human consumption.
- d. The water rate will include the base rate and unit price for the area/zone which this operation is located but will increase to the commercial agricultural rate in Article 15, Rates and fees, Sec 15.9 when water consumption exceeds 20 units per month. The rate will then be \$5.85/hcf regardless of the area/zone this operation is located.
- e. All commercial agricultural operations which request water will have their property inspected by the General Manager or designee, at which time the infrastructure will be evaluated to ensure that it is capable of handling the increased water volume.
- f. In the event the infrastructure is not adequate for the increased volume of

water, an agreement will be made with the commercial agricultural operation to upgrade the infrastructure or work with the District to do so before the application will be approved.

- g. If an infrastructure upgrade is required but the commercial agricultural operation will not pay for or participate in upgrading the infrastructure, the application will be denied.

Any commercial agricultural operation or business will be required to comply with all requirements listed below.

h. **REASONS FOR DENIED WATER SERVICE**

1. No negative impact to neighbors
2. No excessive pedestrian or vehicle traffic based on site visits and complaints.
3. No excessive signage
4. No excessive noise as determined by the District and complaints
5. No excessive lights, glare or brightness
6. No negative smells determined by District and complaints
7. No negative impact to fire suppression capabilities
8. Inadequate water supply
9. Violation of State diversion and permit limits

Noncompliance with any of these requirements or from excessive complaints will result in your application being denied.

Sec 2.12 Regular Water Service shall mean water service for normal domestic, commercial and industrial facilities, commercial and industrial purposes on a permanent basis, and the water available therefore.

Adopted 6/23/15



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STUDY SESSION
GSD WATER FOR AGRICULTURAL CROPS

I met with Doug and Rio after the Special Meeting on September 6, 2017 to discuss the growing number of requested cannabis permits and associated water requirements along with how many people are currently using GSD water for all types of commercial agricultural businesses. The following information is what came from that meeting and to be used for discussion in developing a commercial ag water use ordinance.

A proposal which came from the meeting which would be a good idea regardless of any changes to our ordinance is to develop a pamphlet for all customers which, teaches about water conservation, risks of high water usage, healthy river requirements and techniques which assist in efficient farming practices.

Another proposal was to develop a forbearance program for customers which require water for agricultural use within GSD boundaries or areas within our SOI.

PROPOSAL #1 FROM LAST MEETING

1. Separate “Commercial Agriculture” water meter installed for every customer using over 500gpd average over 30 days (15,000 gallon per month) (20 units)
2. Annual permit required to identify:
 - a. What type of agricultural crop
 - b. Size of crop
 - c. Estimated water demand
 - d. Drainage consideration for outdoor water use
 - e. Months of estimated high water usage
3. New connection fee (\$8,000) required for commercial agriculture meter
4. Commercial agriculture meter will be turned off when:
 - a. Payment not received
 - b. Drought conditions are present
 - c. When we are in jeopardy of violating our diversion requirements and permit
 - d. The District is unable to meet residential water demand

PROPOSAL #2 FROM STUDY SESSION

1. Require annual “Commercial Agriculture” permit
 - a. What type of agricultural crop
 - b. Size of crop
 - c. Estimated water demand
 - d. Drainage consideration for outdoor water use

- e. Months of estimated high water usage
- 2. \$5,000--\$10,000 fine for non-compliance with GSD ordinance and permit
- 3. Promote and assist in catchment opportunities for GSD customers
- 4. Promote May---June as “Fill Your Tank” month
- 5. Promote healthy river practices which includes re-use, efficient growing practices and containment of soil additives
- 6. Any residential customer using over 20 units (15,000 gallons) per month or 500 gpd will be inspected and be subject to the commercial agricultural requirements, inspections and fees.
- 7. Customers will have to comply with Humboldt County requirements as well as Garberville Sanitary District or be denied water for commercial agricultural use.
- 8. If customers identified as commercial agricultural water users do not comply with GSD requirements, they will be subject to fines up to \$10,000 and an increased water usage rate of \$10/per unit (748gallons) above 20 units.
- 9. No commercial agricultural water will be allowed between July 1st and the first rain unless authorized by the General Manager or designee.

JUSTIFICATION FOR COMMERCIAL AGRICULTURE WATER PERMITS

- 1. Infrastructure demand
- 2. Equipment size and ability to provide additional water
- 3. Tank sizes and availability of water for fire flow and residential demand
- 4. We must be good stewards of the water we remove from the river
- 5. We have to stay under our diversion rate for State compliance
- 6. Cost and ability to provide additional water for the growing commercial agricultural business within our boundaries.
- 7. Residential customers must be our first priority and we must ensure they have adequate water for domestic use.