

**WESTERN MANAGEMENT AREA  
CITIZEN ADVISORY GROUP  
MEMORANDUM**

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DATE: May 24, 2021

TO: WMA GSA Committee

FROM: WMA Citizen Advisory Group

SUBJECT: Review and Discussion Draft Water Budget Technical Memorandum

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**Western Management Area (WMA) Citizens Advisory Group (CAG) Members:**

CAG Members in attendance: Ms. Karen Kistler, and Mr. Charles Witt.

Staff and Consultants in attendance: Mr. Bill Buelow (SYRWCD), Mr. Curtis Lawlor (Stetson), Ms. Kristin Worthley (City of Lompoc), Mr Joe Barget (VVCSD), and Mr. Jerry Gruber (MHCSD).

There was two members of the public in attendance: Ms. Laurie Tamura and Mr. Bryan Bondy

**Purpose**

The WMA GSA Committee requested staff for the GSA agencies to coordinate meetings of the WMA CAG. Through a coordinated effort, the CAG held a meeting via teleconference due to the COVID-19 restrictions. The meeting was held on May 11, 2021. The purpose of the meetings was for the WMA CAG (CAG) to review the Draft Water Budget Technical Memorandum. The Memorandum was prepared by the Stetson Engineer's team. A copy of the documents was made available to the CAG prior to the meeting at [www.SantaYnezWater.org](http://www.SantaYnezWater.org).

**CAG Comments on Draft Water Budget Technical Memorandum**

- The CAG members did not have specific comments on the Draft Water Budget.
- Mr. Karen Kistler did provide some comments on the recent presentation by Stetson on the Groundwater Model.

**Comments by the Public in Attendance:**

- Mr. Bryan Bondy of the Santa Ynez Water Group recommended reviewing calculation issues that were outlined to Curtis Lawler in an email and ET values, which may be

double counted. Discussion followed about specific examples of potential double counting.

- Mr. Steve Slack (CDFW) said that Stetson did a good job preparing the memo and it was a much more complicated surface water system than the EMA. Asked if approach by consultants was different.
  - Mr. Lawler said that the geology and surface geology are different between the two areas.