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Reminder: Resolution No. 2012-03



As a reminder, the Fox Canyon Groundwater Management Agency's Board of Directors adopted Resolution No. 2012-03 in May 2012. Resolution No. 2012-03 allows the Agency to impose a civil penalty of \$500.00 against any Operator who fails to submit a Semi-Annual Groundwater Extraction Statement or payment of the extraction charge by the due date noted on the statement. Please contact Ms. Jessica Rivera, FCGMA Temporary Clerk of the Board, at (805) 654-2014, should you have any questions or concerns.

New Irrigation Allowance Index

Calendar year 2012 is the last year scheduled for the Irrigation Efficiency (IE) calculation. Starting in calendar year 2013, the Irrigation Allowance Index replaces the IE calculation. What this means is IE filers will fill out the IE paperwork as usual for the 2012-2 filing period; however, a year from now when the 2013-2 filing is due, Operators will file using the new Irrigation Allowance Index. The Agency's website has the new forms and water allowance values available for viewing. Also, we expect to soon have some brief training videos, detailing the new method, on our website. Please note that for growers in the Las Posas Eastern and Western Management Sub Areas, groundwater use in excess of 4.0 acre-feet per acre per calendar year shall be subject to extraction surcharges pursuant to the Agency's Ordinance Code.

FCGMA Online Database

The FCGMA Online Database is available for use. Please contact FCGMA staff for your username and password if you would like to conveniently access your account and process your Semi-Annual Extraction statements online. You can also take advantage of the E-Pay system, which allows you to pay your Semi-Annual Extraction statements online using your credit card information. Should you have any questions or require any assistance with your account, please contact Ms. Jessica Rivera, Temporary Clerk of the Board, at (805) 654-2014.

Meter Calibration Reminder

The December 28, 2012 meter calibration deadline has passed for the final phase of the second Agency-wide verification of flowmeter accuracy. If you received notice to calibrate your meter and have not done so, or your last calibration test was conducted over three years ago, please contact Ms. Jessica Rivera, FCGMA Temporary Clerk of the Board, at (805) 654-2014 with current status. If you have technical questions regarding meter calibration, please contact Ms. Kathleen Riedel, Groundwater Specialist, at (805) 654-2954.

Newly Formed FCGMA Committees

At the July 25, 2012 regular FCGMA Board meeting, the Board of Directors approved the creation of the Fox Canyon Groundwater Management Agency's Executive, Operations and Fiscal Committees. Each Committee panel consists of two Board members, and with the exception of the Operations Committee, the Committees meet on an as needed basis. The Operations Committee has scheduled regular meetings for calendar year 2013, to be held on the third Wednesday of every other month. All Operations Committee meetings will be

held in the Atlantic Conference Room, located at the Ventura County Government Center, Administration Building, at 800 S. Victoria Avenue, Ventura, California. All Committee meetings are appropriately posted on our bulletin board, located at the Ventura County Government Center, Hall of Administration Building at 800 S. Victoria Avenue, Ventura, California. You can also view the meeting announcements, agendas and other Committee meeting materials on our website at www.fcgma.org, under the NEWS column. Please contact Ms. Jessica Rivera, FCGMA Temporary Clerk of the Board, at (805) 654-2014, should you

have any questions or concerns regarding the Committee meetings.

Operations Committee Meeting Schedule

January 16th	July 17th
March 20th	September 18th
May 15th	November 20th

All Operations Committee meetings begin at 2:00 P.M.

John K. Flynn Water Stewardship Award

Annual Request for Stakeholder Nominations for John K. Flynn Water Stewardship Award

In 2003, a Groundwater Steward Award was established to honor long time County Supervisor and former FCGMA Director John Flynn for his many accomplishments and contributions to the Fox Canyon GMA. The award was meant to recognize an individual or entity

that contributed the most to protecting groundwater, enhancing water quality, or assisting the FCGMA in efforts to manage the water resources in this area. The award shall be made to that individual or organization who, during the past year or years, has made the greatest

contribution to the preservation and improvement of quality and/or quantity of groundwater in the FCGMA. Please forward stakeholder nominations to Ms. Jessica Rivera, FCGMA Temporary Clerk of the Board, by March 1, 2013 at Jessica.rivera@ventura.org.

2013 REGULAR BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE



The FCGMA has scheduled regular Board meetings for calendar year 2013. Board meetings are held on the fourth Wednesday of each month except as noted.

All meetings will be held at the Ventura County Government Center, Administration Building, in the County Board of Supervisor's Hearing Room at 800 S. Victoria Avenue, Ventura, California.

Schedule

January 23rd	July 24th
February 27th	August—Dark
March 27th	September 25th
April 24th	October 23rd
May 22nd	November—Dark
June 26th	December 4th

All Board meetings begin at 1:30 P.M.