

INDIAN WELLS VALLEY GROUNDWATER AUTHORITY

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PUBLIC WORKSHOP: A Comprehensive Look at Our Groundwater Studies Thursday, April 30, 2026; 6:00 p.m.

NOTICE: *This public presentation will be live streamed for those wishing to participate virtually.*

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you are a disabled person and you need a disability-related modification or accommodation to participate in this meeting, please contact April Keigwin at (805) 764-5452. Requests must be made as early as possible and at least one full business day before the start of the meeting.

Questions from the Public

The public will be allowed to ask questions after each presentation. Please be mindful of extended discussion in consideration of time and others.

1. CALL TO ORDER – 6:00 p.m.

- a. Pledge of Allegiance
- b. Introduction of Speakers

2. GROUNDWATER DATA AT YOUR FINGERTIPS – AN INTERACTIVE PRESENTATION

An interactive public website that provides full access to groundwater data, allowing users to explore, visualize, and better understand the information driving GSP decisions. Built for transparency, it turns complex data into clear insights the public can see, use, and question. - *(Stetson Engineers - Joel Bernard / Stephan Bork) – 10 minute presentation*

3. MAPPING THE INVISIBLE – THE GSP AND USE OF SKYTEM DATA

SkyTEM provides a high-resolution picture of subsurface conditions across the basin, but its value lies in verification—cross-checked with well logs and field data is essential to ensure accuracy. *(Dr. Ryan Smith / Stetson Engineers) – 15 minute presentation*

4. COMPARATIVE REVIEW OF TECHNICAL REPORTS – AN EXPLANATION FROM DR. TODD KINKAID

Even when using the same data, groundwater models can produce vastly different results due to differences in assumptions, calibration methods, and how subsurface conditions are interpreted. This presentation explains how those choices drive outcomes—and why understanding them is critical for informed decision-making. – *(Dr. Todd Kinkaid) – 30 minute presentation*

5. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – MAY 13, 2026

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PUBLIC COMMENT NOTICE

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- **Watch meetings on-line:**

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- **Call in for public comments:**

If you wish to make verbal comment, *please call (760) 499-5010*. This phone line will allow only one caller at a time, so if the line is busy, please continue to dial. We will be allowing a 20-30 second pause between callers to give time for media delays and callers to dial in. Due to media delays, please mute your streaming device while making public comment. If you wish to comment on multiple items, you will need to call in as each item is presented.

- **Submit written comments:**

We encourage submittal of written comments supporting, opposing, or otherwise commenting on an agenda item, for distribution to the Board prior to the meeting. Send emails to akeigwin@rgs.ca.gov written correspondence may be sent to April Keigwin, Clerk of the Board, 100 W. California Ave., Ridgecrest, CA 93555. Please specify to which agenda item your comment relates.