



## MINUTES

### Meeting of the

### Technical Advisory Committee

Friday, October 4, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. at the  
Exeter Museum (upstairs)  
125 S. B Street, Exeter, CA 93221

#### Meeting Attendees:

Joe Ferrara – Chair  
Mike Hagman – EKGSA Executive Director  
Aaron Bock – County of Tulare; County of Tulare – Landowner  
Craig Wallace – Lindsay-Strathmore ID  
Tom Weddle – Exeter and Ivanhoe IDs  
Calvin Monreal – Lindmore ID  
Mike Camarena – City of Lindsay  
Paul Buldo – Sentinel Butte MWC  
Dale West – Stone Corral ID  
Mat Klinchuch – EKGSA Technical Lead  
Members of the Public

#### Members Absent:

EKGSA At Large  
Wutchumna WC

1. **Call to Order** –Chair Ferrara called the meeting to order at approximately 10:05 a.m.
2. **Self-Introductions** – The attendees gave brief self-introductions.
3. **Public Comment** — There were no public comments given.
4. **Committee Administration**
  - a. Review and Approve Meeting Minutes September 6, 2019 Meeting – Stakeholder Karen Yohannes clarified some of the wording to her public comments in the draft minutes. Committee Member Weddle made a motion to approve the Minutes with the requested edits and was seconded by Committee Member Monreal. The motion passed.
5. **Committee Business**
  - a. Status Report on Kaweah Subbasin Efforts to date – Mike Hagman and Matt Klinchuch updated the group on Subbasin-level efforts since the previous meeting.
    - i. Management Team – The Management Team had not met since the September TAC meeting and it was unknown if there would be an October meeting. The GSA Managers and Legal Counsels are still working through coordination agreement and DMS items. Hagman updated the group that there had been two Ag-focused outreach meetings earlier in the week that had approximately 200 attendees.
    - ii. Sub-Basin Technical Efforts – There were no items to report

**b. GSP Items**

- i. Kaweah Draft GSPs – All Kaweah GSPs are out in Public draft. Klinchuch lead discussion on two key items related to the East Kaweah and Greater Kaweah draft GSPs. The first item was a tabular comparison between groundwater level Minimum Threshold (MT) Measurable Objective (MO) water surface elevations. The focus was on levels at the boundary between the two GSAs. At some of the boundary locations there is significant difference between the proposed elevations. Further discussion is to be held between the East and Greater Kaweah GSAs regarding this item. To steep a gradient to the west can severely impact the East Kaweah. The second item was reviewing an updated draft of the Kaweah Subbasin Modeling Report. In general, the report followed much of the previous discussions. Concerns regarding the model's tendency to underestimate actual conditions, in particular at higher elevations on the east side were discussed. Comments on the report were to be submitted in the following week. Klinchuch advised the TAC work through him if they had additional comments.
- ii. Public Comment Period – Klinchuch shared that the East and Greater Kaweah GSPs are on the same track as far as public comment period goes. The Greater Kaweah is also holding a public hearing on December 16<sup>th</sup>. The Greater Kaweah will hold their meeting in the morning, and the East Kaweah's will be in the afternoon.
- iii. Other Miscellaneous – Hagman mentioned to the member agency managers at the meeting that funding options for the EKGSA were going to be discussed at the next October Board Meeting and he wanted to get some input from them other whether a loan to the EKGSA was a viable option or if they should consider other means for upcoming funding until the Prop 218 was in place.
- iv. Schedule & Next Steps – Klinchuch showed the GSP release schedule with the TAC and the next steps in the process for completing the GSP.

**6. New/Other Business** – The TAC requested there be discussion at a future meeting on whether the East Kaweah GSA will make public comment on other draft GSPs.

**7. Announcements**

- a. Next Meeting Date and Time: November 1, 2019 at 10:00 a.m.

**8. Adjournment** – Chair Ferrara adjourned the meeting at approximately 11:50 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Matt Klinchuch, Secretary  
East Kaweah GSA Technical Advisory Committee