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Meeting of the

Technical Advisory Committee

Wednesday July 1, 2020 at 10:00 a.m.
Held via Teleconference

Meeting Attendees:

Tim Gobler – Wutchumna WC, Chair
Mike Hagman – EKGSA Executive Director
Craig Wallace – Lindsay-Strathmore ID
Tom Weddle – Exeter and Ivanhoe IDs
Aaron Bock – County of Tulare, County of Tulare - Landowner
Michael Camarena – City of Lindsay
Dale West – Stone Corral ID
Paul Buldo – Sentinel Butte MWC
Cruz Romero – Lindmore ID
Matt Klinchuch – EKGSA Technical Lead
Calvin Monreal – Consultant
Nick Keller – Consultant
Joe Hughes John Kromar – Legal Counsel

Public participants:

- Joe Ferrara – Board Member
- Blanca Escobedo – Leadership Council – Advisory Committee
- Dan Dryer – Advisory Committee
- Justine Massey – Community Water Center
- Stacie Ann – NewCurrent
- Karen Yohannes – Stakeholder
- Johnny Gailey – Delta View
- Geoff Vanden Heuvel – Milk Producer’s
- Susan Simon – Tulare County

Members Absent:

EKGSA At Large (Cruz)

1. **Call to Order** – Chair Gobler 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 June 5, 2020 Meeting – Committee Member Bock made a motion to approve the Minutes and was seconded by Committee Member West. The motion passed.

5. Committee Business

- a. Status Report on Kaweah Subbasin Efforts to date – Mike Hagman and Matt Klinchuch updated the TAC on Subbasin-level efforts since the previous meeting.
 - i. Management Team – The Management Team still had not met, however there are several items coming up to fill an agenda, so there is intent to hold a Management Team Meeting. Whether there is a physical meeting location or solely remote remains to be determined amid the COVID-19 situation. Hagman also shared that with the Prop. 68 Grant Agreement signed, the Subbasin is looking to get repayment for the SkyTEM effort from late 2018.
 - ii. Subbasin Technical Efforts – Hagman and Klinchuch shared with the TAC that the Subbasin is looking into options for gathering well construction information from at least the Monitoring Network wells. Options include a borehole camera with Provost & Pritchard or talking with pump companies that will be pulling/servicing wells this next year. Hagman also shared that the Subbasin is looking to partner with Cal State Fresno for developing a Well Metering Pilot Study, an effort included in the Prop. 68 grant. Lastly, Hagman said that the Subbasin is gathering DMS data from the previous Subbasin consultant and storing with Provost & Pritchard for now. A Request for Proposals (RFP) is slated to go out for developing a DMS in the future.
 - b. GSP Implementation Items
 - i. Groundwater Allocation Policy Framework – Hagman, Klinchuch, and Joe Hughes (Legal Counsel) shared “strawman” draft policies being developed for the EKGSA. Three draft polices were shared covering Groundwater Allocation, Well Metering, and Demand Monitoring. This discussion had begun with the Advisory Committee and was now being brought to the TAC for more discussion. The EKGSA Board directed Staff to work with the committees to develop various policies and implementation framework by 2022 (the anticipated end of the GSP review by the Department of Water Resources). The discussion amongst the TAC, stakeholders, and staff focused on the Groundwater Allocation Policy. The result was for Staff and Legal Counsel to evaluate some options to bring back. The TAC postponed detailed discussion on the Metering and Measurement Policies.
 - ii. Management Area Water Budgets – Due to time constraints this topic was not discussed.
- 6. New/Other Business** –Mike Hagman and Cruz Romero updated the TAC on additional EKGSA efforts moving along.
- a. Hagman shared that the outreach flyers were being mailed in batches. Approximately 6,000 are to be sent and approximately 2,500 were remaining to be mailed.
 - b. Romero updated the TAC that work is still being done to finalize locations for the new monitoring well locations. Next steps will be to coordinate with the County for



encroachment permits and solicit quotes from some drillers. Current timeline is for drilling to begin in one to two months.

7. Announcements

- a. Next Meeting Date and Time: August 7, 2020 at 10:00 a.m.

8. Adjournment – Chair Gobler adjourned the meeting at approximately 11:55 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Matt Klinchuch, Secretary
East Kaweah GSA Technical Advisory Committee