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Meeting of the

Technical Advisory Committee

Friday, June 5, 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
Dale West – Stone Corral ID
Cruz Romero – Lindmore ID
Matt Klinchuch – EKGSA Technical Lead
Calvin Monreal – Consultant
Nick Keller – Consultant
Members of the Public

Members Absent:

City of Lindsay (Camarena)
EKGSA At Large (Cruz)
Sentinel Butte MWC (Buldo)

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 May 1, 2020 Meeting – Committee Member Wallace made a motion to approve the Minutes and was seconded by Committee Member Bock. 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 – Hagman updated the group on several Subbasin items.
 1. RCIS – The firm ICF has been hired as the consultant for the effort. A Steering Committee is being established with Ag and Community representatives from across the Subbasin. Targeting an initial meeting later in June.
 2. Round 3 Prop 68 Grant – Received a final executed agreement just prior to the TAC meeting.
 3. The Subbasin is wrapping up previous grant (2017) used for GSP development.



- ii. Subbasin Technical Efforts – The Subbasin GSAs are requesting all data used and generated during the GSP development from the Subbasin consulting team. The intent is to release an RFP for new DMS in the future. Hagman also noted the comment period for the Kaweah Subbasin GSPs ended June 3rd. There had not been much time to review ahead of the meeting, but about 10 comment letters had come in. Discussion ensued related to what DWR’s next steps were and the anticipated outcome of their review.
 - b. Advisory Committee and Board Direction/Needs (discussion) – Hagman updated his intent for working through policy development needed for the EKGSA. The aim is to lead with the Advisory Committee to work through initial policy development. Points from the Advisory Committee will be brought back to the TAC for technical evaluation. Ultimate decision will rest with the Board of Directors when the time comes. Hagman noted the most critical policy will likely be focused on the groundwater allocation.
 - c. GSP Implementation Items
 - i. Monitoring Network – Hagman reported that Staff is working through developing monitoring network needs associated with what was proposed in the GSP.
 - 1. Groundwater Level Monitoring – Staff is working on locating monitoring well sites. The target is to find good locations within County and/or State easements instead of needing to go on private property.
 - 2. Groundwater Quality Monitoring – Landowner agreements for proposed quality monitoring are needed.
 - 3. Subsidence Monitoring – Initial survey of the proposed subsidence sites has been done, next is to establish monuments at the set locations.
 - ii. Irrigation Demand
 - 1. LandIQ Update – Hagman reported that May is the first full month of analysis and will be the first report from LandIQ. Turnaround time is typically a month, so first report anticipated at the end of June
 - 2. Management Area Water Budgets – Hagman and Klinchuch provided a brief overview of a tool being developed for evaluating/discussing groundwater drafting in the management areas throughout the GSA. Discussion was had on how various components of the tool would be updated with better data.
6. **New/Other Business** – Hagman shared the finished outreach mailer that is to go out in the coming weeks. The goal is to share awareness of the 2017-2019 period, where the GSP and first Annual Report can be found, and what the Subbasin GSAs are focused on initially.
7. **Announcements**
 - a. Next Meeting Date and Time: July 3, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. (*New Date Needed*) – The TAC selected the next meeting date to be July 1 at 10:00 a.m. Venue is to be determined.



8. Adjournment – Chair Gobler adjourned the meeting at 11:20 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Matt Klinchuch".

Matt Klinchuch, Secretary
East Kaweah GSA Technical Advisory Committee