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Meeting of the

Technical Advisory Committee

**Friday, February 1, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. at the
Exeter Museum (upstairs)
125 S. B Street, Exeter, CA 93221**

Meeting Attendees:

Tim Gobler – Wutchumna WC (Chair)
Mike Hagman – Lindmore ID
Calvin Monreal – Lindmore ID
Craig Wallace – Lindsay-Strathmore ID
Tom Weddle – Exeter and Ivanhoe IDs
Dale West – Stone Corral ID
Mike Camarena – City of Lindsay
Paul Buldo – Sentinel Butte MWC
Aaron Bock – County of Tulare; County of Tulare – Landowner
Members of the Public

Members Absent:

EKGS At Large

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** — No public comments were received.
4. **Committee Administration**
 - a. Review and Approve Meeting Minutes from January 4, 2019 Meeting – Committee Member Hagman made a motion to approve the Minutes and was seconded by Committee Member Wallace. The motion passed. Committee Member Bock abstained from the vote.
5. **Committee Business**
 - a. Status Report on Kaweah Subbasin Efforts to date – Mike Hagman updated the group on Subbasin-level efforts since the previous meeting.
 - i. Management Team – The Management Team meeting was held on January 16th. At the meeting the Management Team discussed a potential methodology for setting Minimum Thresholds by using the groundwater level trend from the dry 2006 – 2016 period to project to 2040. There was also brief discussion on how to set the Measurable Objectives using rolling averages and providing a safeguard for drought conditions.



ii. Sub-Basin Technical Efforts – Hagman informed the Committee that the GSAs and their technical staff were reviewing concerns with the Subbasin water budget with the GEI technical team.

- b. Discussion on Water Budget/Accounting Framework – Hagman updated the group with more details on concerns and discussions for the water budget amongst the GSAs and GEI. The consensus is to move forward with addressing major changes now and use the next five years to gather data and revise. This will take some additional budget from the GSAs. The major items to move forward are the ET and rainfall analyses, River inflow, and mountain course inflow. A motion was made by Hagman and seconded by Committee Member Hagman to recommend proceeding in this fashion. The motion passed.

A second item discussed was the base period. The GSAs are looking to use a more current planning period for setting the water budget and conditions than the 37-year period dating back to 1981. The two options are 1998-2013 and 1997-2017. A motion was made by Committee Member Bock and seconded by Committee Member Weddle to move forward with the 1997-2017 period. The motion passed.

- c. Potential Policy Development Update – The Committee discussed potential policy items related to Minimum Thresholds and utilizing groundwater levels as a proxy for measuring Undesirable Results. Hagman circulated a memo with draft proposals for consideration by the Committee. The Committee was tasked with reviewing and further discussion would be had at a future meeting after feedback was provided by the EKGSA Advisory Committee.
- d. Review GSP Status and Schedule – The schedule was briefly discussed. With delays in some components to the Basin Setting and Water Budget, the goal is to now have a draft GSP by late June to early July. Committee members reminded the group they would like to see chapters as available, not all at once near the end of the projected timeline.
- e. Potential Projects – Specific projects were not discussed. More information is expected at the next meeting.

6. **New/Other Business** — Hagman noted that the Board would like to start seeing information on management areas. The TAC will take up this topic at the next meeting.

7. **Announcements**

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



8. Adjournment – Chair Gobler adjourned the meeting at approximately 12:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Matt Klinchuch, Secretary
East Kaweah GSA Technical Advisory Committee