

**EAST KAWEAH GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

MINUTES FOR THE SPECIAL MEETING ON JANUARY 28, 2019

The East Kaweah Groundwater Sustainability Agency (“EKGSA”) Board of Directors duly met for a special meeting on Monday, January 28, 2019, at the Exeter Museum located at 125 S. B Street, Exeter, CA 93221.

OPEN SESSION: Convened at 3:10 p.m.

1. DIRECTORS PRESENT: Milanesio, Buldo, Watson, Ferrara, Roberts, Weddle, Gobler.

DIRECTORS ABSENT: George, Crocker, Peltzer, Rivera, Burkett.

OTHERS PRESENT: Michael Hagman, Executive Director; Joe Hughes, Legal Counsel; Matt Klinchuch, Engineer; Trilby Barton, Provost & Pritchard; and various members of the public.

2. APPROVE THE AGENDA: Motion to approve the agenda was made by Director Ferrara, seconded by Director Buldo, and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Milanesio, Buldo, Watson, Ferrara, Roberts, Weddle, Gobler.

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: George, Crocker, Peltzer, Rivera, Burkett.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: The Board and public performed the pledge of allegiance to the American flag.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT: No comments.

5. MINUTES:

Motion to adopt and ratify the minutes provided by the Secretary was made by Director Ferrara, seconded by Director Watson, and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Milanesio, Buldo, Watson, Ferrara, Roberts, Weddle, Gobler.

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: George, Crocker, Peltzer, Rivera, Burkett.

6. ADMINISTRATION:

a. Amended Conflict of Interest Code – Discussion and Appropriate Action to Adopt:

Board reviewed and discussed potential updates to the Conflict of Interest Code.

Motion to authorize adoption of the revised Conflict of Interest Code was made by Director Roberts, seconded by Director Weddle, and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Milanesio, Buldo, Watson, Ferrara, Roberts, Weddle, Gobler.

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: George, Crocker, Peltzer, Rivera, Burkett.

b. Financial Administration:

Accounts Payable: The Executive Director provided a listing of the Agency's Accounts Payable and backup documentation and requested ratification of the payments made to meet the obligations of the Authority.

Motion to authorize ratification of the payments made as presented by the Executive Director was made by Director Roberts, seconded by Director Watson, and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Milanesio, Buldo, Watson, Ferrara, Roberts, Weddle, Gobler.

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: George, Crocker, Peltzer, Rivera, Burkett.

Affidavit of Reconciliation: Motion to accept the Affidavit of Reconciliation as presented by the Executive Director was made by Director Watson, seconded by Director Weddle, and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Milanesio, Buldo, Watson, Ferrara, Roberts, Weddle, Gobler.

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: George, Crocker, Peltzer, Rivera, Burkett.

Presentation of Unaudited Financial Statement: Executive Director presented an unaudited financial statement.

Motion to adopt the unaudited financial statement as presented by the Executive Director was made by Director Gobler, seconded by Director Roberts, and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Milanesio, Buldo, Watson, Ferrara, Roberts, Weddle, Gobler.

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: George, Crocker, Peltzer, Rivera, Burkett.

7. **GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY EFFORTS:**

a. Committee/Team Reports:

- Advisory Committee: The Executive Director gave a report on the activities of the Advisory Committee. Director Ferrara reported that the Advisory Committee did not meet in December, but did meet on January 21, 2019.
- Technical Advisory Committee: Director Gobler gave a report on TAC activities.
- Kaweah Sub-Basin Management Team: The Executive Director gave a report on their January 16, 2019 meeting.
- The Executive Director reported on substantial cost overruns that have been experienced with respect to some Consultants efforts.

b. Sub-Basin Setting Development:

Executive Director provided the Board with an update on consultant's efforts and agreements and presented a draft subbasin water budget.

c. Consider a Method of Process for Getting a Sub-Basin or Basin Study for SGMA's Impact to the Economy. Executive Director advised that retention of an economist by the subbasin (and not just the EKGSA) should be considered and that he would proceed in that direction.

d. GSP Development Status & Timeline:

Executive Director provided the Board with a report on the GSP development. There was discussion and a request from the Board that Legal Counsel make a presentation to the Board at the next meeting addressing the concepts of prescription, self-help, and subordination.

e. EKGSA Communications and Engagement Plan Effort:

Trilby Barton provided the Board with an update on C&E Plan efforts.

8. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION:

Executive Director referenced the item listed on the Agenda for Closed Session and advised the Board and public that these items would be discussed under Closed Session.

CLOSED SESSION BEGAN AT 4:55 PM

A. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL—POTENTIAL LITIGATION:

Potential litigation pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (d) of Government Code § 54956.9 (d) (2): One Case.

Following the closed session, Legal Counsel reported that no reportable action was taken in the Closed Session.

9. OTHER MISCELLANEOUS: NONE

10. ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn was made by Director Buldo, seconded by Director Gobler, and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Milanasio, Buldo, Watson, Ferrara, Roberts, Weddle, Gobler.

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: George, Crocker, Peltzer, Rivera, Burkett.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:34 p.m.

Michael D. Hagman
Secretary, East Kaweah GSA

**EAST KAWEAH GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

MINUTES FOR THE SPECIAL MEETING ON APRIL 22, 2019

The East Kaweah Groundwater Sustainability Agency (“EKGSA”) Board of Directors duly met for a special meeting on Monday, April 22, 2019, at the Exeter Museum located at 125 S. B Street, Exeter, CA 93221.

OPEN SESSION: Convened at 3:00 p.m.

1. **DIRECTORS PRESENT:** Milanesio, Buldo, Watson, Ferrara, Roberts, Gobler, George, Peltzer,

DIRECTORS ABSENT: Crocker, Rivera, Burkett.

OTHERS PRESENT: Michael Hagman, Executive Director; Joe Hughes, Legal Counsel; Matt Klinchuch, Engineer; Trilby Barton, Provost & Pritchard; and various members of the public.

2. **APPROVE THE AGENDA:** Motion to approve the agenda was made by Director Watson, seconded by Director Ferrara, and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Milanesio, Buldo, Watson, Ferrara, Roberts, Gobler, George, Peltzer.

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Crocker, Rivera, Burkett.

3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** The Board and public performed the pledge of allegiance to the American flag.

4. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** No comments.

5. **MINUTES:**

Motion to adopt and ratify the minutes provided by the Secretary was made by Director Buldo, seconded by Director Roberts, and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Milanesio, Buldo, Watson, Ferrara, Roberts, Gobler, George, Peltzer.

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Crocker, Rivera, Burkett.

6. ADMINISTRATION:

- a. Executive/Administrative Assistant Services: The Executive Director gave a report. Following discussion, Director George made a motion to form an ad hoc committee to review and make a recommendation regarding future executive and administrative services for EKGSA, which was seconded by Director Roberts, and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Milanesio, Buldo, Watson, Ferrara, Roberts, Gobler, George, Peltzer, Burkett.

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Crocker, Rivera.

Directors George, Burkett, and Gobler were then appointed to the ad hoc committee.

- b. Staffing and Funding Beyond 2019: The Executive Director gave a report. Following discussion, Director Ferrara moved to keep the current dues formula intact, which was seconded by Director Watson, and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Milanesio, Buldo, Watson, Ferrara, Roberts, Gobler, George, Peltzer, Burkett.

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Crocker, Rivera.

Following discussion, on motion of Director Watson, seconded by Director Gobler, the Executive Director was directed to solicit proposals for providing Proposition 218 compliance for an EKGSA land-based assessment to pay for GSP compliance costs, which was carried on the following vote:

AYES: Milanesio, Buldo, Watson, Ferrara, Roberts, Gobler, George, Peltzer, Burkett.

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Crocker, Rivera.

Following discussion, Director Watson moved to direct the Technical Advisory Committee to review the possible use of an extraction fee based on groundwater

use above allocated native yield to help fund GSP implementation, which was seconded by Director George and carried on the following vote:

AYES: Milanesio, Buldo, Watson, Ferrara, Roberts, Gobler, George, Peltzer, Burkett.

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Crocker, Rivera.

c. Financial Administration:

- Accounts Payable: The Executive Director provided a listing of the Agency's Accounts Payable and backup documentation and requested ratification of the payments made to meet the obligations of the Authority.

Motion to authorize ratification of the payments made as presented by the Executive Director was made by Director Buldo, seconded by Director Peltzer, and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Milanesio, Buldo, Watson, Ferrara, Roberts, Gobler, George, Peltzer, Burkett.

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Crocker, Rivera.

- Affidavit of Reconciliation: Motion to accept the Affidavit of Reconciliation as presented by the Executive Director was made by Director Roberts, seconded by Director Watson, and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Milanesio, Buldo, Watson, Ferrara, Roberts, Gobler, George, Peltzer, Burkett.

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Crocker, Rivera.

- Presentation of Unaudited Financial Statement: Executive Director presented an unaudited financial statement.

Motion to adopt the unaudited financial statement as presented by the Executive Director was made by Director Buldo, seconded by Director Ferrara, and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Milanasio, Buldo, Watson, Ferrara, Roberts, Gobler, George, Peltzer, Burkett.

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Crocker, Rivera.

- Cash Flow Planning: Motion to make a call for funds in the amount of \$125,000 using the Plan Development method of allocation was made by Director George, seconded by Director Robert, and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Milanasio, Buldo, Watson, Ferrara, Roberts, Gobler, George, Peltzer, Burkett.

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Crocker, Rivera.

7. GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY EFFORTS:

a. Committee/Team Reports:

- Advisory Committee: The Executive Director gave a report on the activities of the Advisory Committee. Director Ferrara reported that the Advisory Committee met on April 15, 2019.
- Technical Advisory Committee: Director Gobler gave a report on TAC activities.
- Kaweah Sub-Basin Management Team: The Executive Director gave a report.

b. Sub-Basin Setting Development: Executive Director provided the Board with an update on consultant's efforts and agreements and presented a draft subbasin water budget.

c. GSP Development Status & Timeline: Executive Director provided the Board with a report on the GSP development.

d. EKGSA Communications and Engagement Plan Effort: Trilby Barton provided the Board with an update on C&E Plan efforts.

8. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION:

Executive Director referenced the item listed on the Agenda for Closed Session and advised the Board and public that these items would be discussed under Closed Session.

CLOSED SESSION BEGAN AT 5:45 PM

A. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL—POTENTIAL LITIGATION:

Potential litigation pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (d) of Government Code § 54956.9 (d) (2): One Case.

Following the closed session, Legal Counsel reported that no reportable action was taken in the Closed Session.

9. OTHER MISCELLANEOUS:

None.

10. ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn was made by Director Peltzer, seconded by Director Gobler, and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Milanesio, Buldo, Watson, Ferrara, Roberts, Gobler, George, Peltzer, Burkett.

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Crocker, Rivera.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:31 p.m.

**EAST KAWEAH GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

MINUTES FOR THE SPECIAL MEETING ON JUNE 24, 2019

The East Kaweah Groundwater Sustainability Agency (“EKGSA”) Board of Directors duly met for a special meeting on Monday, June 24, 2019, at the Exeter Museum located at 125 S. B Street, Exeter, CA 93221.

OPEN SESSION: Convened at 3:00 p.m.

1. **DIRECTORS PRESENT:** Buldo, Burkett, Crocker, Ferrara, George, Gobler, Milanesio, Roberts, Peltzer, Watson

DIRECTORS ABSENT: Rivera

OTHERS PRESENT: Hagman, Executive Director; Hughes, Legal Counsel; Klinchuch, Engineer; Barton, Provost & Pritchard; and various members of the public.

2. **APPROVE THE AGENDA:** Motion to approve the agenda was made by Director Ferrara, seconded by Director Crocker, and carried by the following vote:

AYES:	Buldo, Burkett, Crocker, Ferrara, George, Gobler, Milanesio, Roberts, Peltzer, Watson
NOES:	None
ABSTAIN:	None
ABSENT:	Rivera

3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** The Board and public performed the pledge of allegiance to the American flag.

4. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** No comments.

5. **MINUTES:**

Motion to adopt and ratify the April 22, 2019 Special Board meeting minutes provided by the Secretary was made by Director Ferrara, seconded by Director George, and carried by the following vote:

AYES:	Buldo, Burkett, Crocker, Ferrara, George, Gobler, Milanesio, Roberts, Peltzer, Watson
NOES:	None
ABSTAIN:	None
ABSENT:	Rivera

6. **ADMINISTRATION:**

- a. **Future Executive/Administrative Assistant Services:** Director George provided a status report on their efforts regarding future executive/administrative services. It was noted that the Committee expected to have a recommendation at the next Board meeting.

- b. Staffing and Funding Beyond 2019: The Executive Director provided the Board with only one proposal that was submitted regarding assistance from qualified applicants to provide the land-based assessment election (Prop 218). It was noted that Hagman sought proposals from four engineering firms. Only Provost and Pritchard (P&P) submitted a proposal. Hagman recommended the Board accept P&P's proposal. After further discussion, Director Crocker moved to accept Provost and Pritchard's proposal for engineering services for EKGSA's Land-based Assessment, which was seconded by Director Watson, and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Buldo, Burkett, Crocker, Ferrara, George, Gobler, Milanesio, Roberts, Peltzer, Watson
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Rivera.

After considerable discussion on what the EKGSA will put in the "Assessment Budget" it was recommended to forgo further discussion until the Board decides on how it will staff the EKGSA in the future.

7. GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY EFFORTS:

- a. Sustainable Management Criteria – Policy Matrix on SMCs, Management Areas, Minimum Thresholds:
- i. Executive Director Hagman provided the Management Areas Maps developed by Klinchuch in coordination with the EKGSA Advisory Committee and Technical Advisory Committee. The two committees were not in agreement with the how many management areas should be in the EKGSA. The AC recommended only two management areas. This recommendation was based on the concern that the Districts would then ostensibly be controlling groundwater and two areas would be easier and less expensive to manage. Hagman noted that groundwater (native supply) is a right associated with principles of water law and that a District cannot control native groundwater. Hagman also stated the Kaweah Sub-basin has developed a water accounting framework that is consistent with water law essentially stating that federal surface supply and/or appropriated surface supply that goes into the ground from their foreign/salvaged supply will be owned by the original water supply owner. Hagman also noted that the cost would not be more because much of the data that will be needed by the EKGSA is already a requirement of the federal contractors. After further discussion, Director George moved to adopt nine management areas provided by the EKGSA Technical Advisory Committee which was seconded by Director Peltzer and was carried by the following vote:

AYES: Buldo, Burkett, Crocker, Ferrara, George, Gobler, Milanesio, Roberts, Peltzer, Watson
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Rivera.

The attached map was approved by the action above.

- ii. SMC Policy Matrix: Executive Director Hagman provided a matrix for policy development. The document had been vetted and discussed by the EKGSA Advisory Committee and Technical Advisory Committee. Klinchuch answered questions from the Board as well as the audience. After substantial discussion, Director Watson made a motion that the attached matrix be adopted for development in the Groundwater Sustainability Plan and was seconded by Director Burkett. The motion passed by the following vote.

AYES: Buldo, Burkett, Crocker, Ferrara, George, Gobler, Milanesio, Roberts, Peltzer, Watson
 NOES: None
 ABSTAIN: None
 ABSENT: Rivera.

**East Kaweah Groundwater Sustainability Agency
 Sustainable Management Criteria**

Sustainability Indicator	GW Elevation	GW Storage	SW-GW Connection	GW Quality	Land Subsidence
Undesirable Result	Unreasonable lowering of groundwater levels resulting in significant impacts to supply	Unreasonable reduction in groundwater storage	Unreasonable depletion of interconnected surface water and groundwater, where present	Unreasonable long-term changes of water quality concentrations from baseline conditions to significantly impact users of groundwater	Unreasonable impacts to critical infrastructure (i.e. Friant-Kern Canal)
Measurement Methodology	Groundwater Levels	Groundwater Levels (Proxy)	Groundwater Levels (Proxy)	Sampling for 9 COCs at Ag wells in Monitoring Network; Utilize public system Title 22 quality monitoring	Annual survey of set Mile Posts along the FKC and one at a Plainview Mutual Water Company Well - InSAR data to be used when available
Minimum Threshold	2040 Projected GW elevation based on the baseline (1997-2017) trend analysis of GW levels at wells throughout the GSA (10 Threshold Regions)	2040 Projected GW elevation based on the baseline (1997-2017) trend analysis of GW levels at wells throughout the GSA (10 Threshold Regions)	2040 Projected GW elevation based on the baseline (1997-2017) trend analysis of GW levels at wells throughout the GSA (10 Threshold Regions)	No long-term (10 yr running average) increase in concentration beyond recognized Ag or Urban standards for those wells under the threshold. For those wells over the recognized Ag or Urban standards, no long-term increases by 20% in concentration	9.5" of subsidence in a year (relate to no more than 10% capacity reduction in current capacity of the FKC)
Measurable Objective	Spring 2017	Spring 2017	Spring 2017	No unreasonable increase in concentration caused by groundwater pumping and recharge efforts.	No subsidence/impacts to CVP deliveries along the FKC related to groundwater pumping within the EKGSA
Interim Milestones	Proportionate to % of overdraft to be corrected in 5 year intervals through implementation period	Proportionate to % of overdraft to be corrected in 5 year intervals through implementation period	Proportionate to % of overdraft to be corrected in 5 year intervals through implementation period	No change from current Objective (to be re-evaluated at the 5 yr milestone pending data collection)	No change from current Objective

NOTES:

With regard to Water Quality: (1) Actions to be taken when concentrations of recognized standards exceed 80%, not including wells already exceeding the recognized standards (2) Challenges exist for values 75%-125% of the recognized MCL or Ag standards - Staff to address in body of document

- b. Monitoring Network – Klinchuch provided the Board with maps of monitoring sites within the EKGSA. Including sites for Groundwater Elevation, Water Quality, and ground elevations.
- c. Draft Water Budget – Hagman provided the Board Kaweah Sub-basin water budget. Some discuss occurred relative to how the EKGSA and the other Kaweah Sub-basin GSAs will work through data gap issues in the future. Hagman noted that there will be a sub-basin coordination agreement. Hagman also noted that there will be a short discussion on that in agenda item e. coming up.

- d. Project and Management Actions – Hagman explained to the Board that this will become a chapter in the sustainability plan. However, as of now, there isn't any policy discussion needed. Most of the projects are conceptual and the actions will require substantial vetting and policy direction from the Board of Directors.
- e. Coordination Agreement – Hagman provided the Board with one section of the Basin Sustainable Goal and Undesirable Results. He noted that the Mid Kaweah GSA will be using it as a guiding document for a chapter in their GSP. The other two GSAs are going to reference the Coordination Agreement with common language. Hagman and Hughes are working in a sub-basin manager's group to develop the coordination agreement. Some version of the agreement it will be placed as an Appendix in the Draft GSP.
- f. 90% Draft of the GSP: Klinchuch expressed to the Board that many of the GSP chapters are out to the managers and TAC for their review. He expects to have public draft ready for the next Board meeting in late July.

8. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION:

President Milanesio called the meeting to closed session at 5:50 PM and out of closed session at 6:10 PM. President Milanesio announced no reportable action was taken in closed session.

9. ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn was made by Director Burkett, seconded by Director George, and carried by the following vote:

AYES:	Buldo, Burkett, Crocker, Ferrara, George, Gobler, Milanesio, Roberts, Peltzer, Watson
NOES:	None
ABSTAIN:	None
ABSENT:	Rivera.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:12 p.m.

**EAST KAWEAH GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

MINUTES FOR THE SPECIAL MEETING ON JULY 29, 2019

The East Kaweah Groundwater Sustainability Agency (“EKGSA”) Board of Directors duly met for a special meeting on Monday, July 29, 2019, at the Exeter Museum located at 125 S. B Street, Exeter, CA 93221.

OPEN SESSION: Convened at 3:10 p.m.

- 1. DIRECTORS PRESENT:** (Left to right) Roberts, Peltzer, Ferrara, Milanesio, Burkett, George, Watson, Gobler.

DIRECTORS ABSENT: Crocker, Rivera, Buldo.

OTHERS PRESENT: Michael Hagman, Executive Director (Hagman); Joe Hughes, Legal Counsel (Hughes); Matt Klinchuch, Engineer (Klinchuch); Trilby Barton, Provost & Pritchard; and various members of the public.

- 2. APPROVE THE AGENDA:** Motion to approve the agenda was made by Director Gobler, seconded by Director Roberts, and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Burkett, Ferrara, George, Gobler, Milanesio, Peltzer, Roberts, Watson.
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Buldo, Crocker, Rivera.

- 3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** The Board and public performed the pledge of allegiance to the American flag.

- 4. PUBLIC COMMENT:** No comments.

- 5. MINUTES:**

Motion to adopt and ratify the minutes of the June 24, 2019 Board meeting as provided by the Secretary was made by Director Ferrara, seconded by Director George, and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Burkett, Ferrara, George, Gobler, Milanesio, Peltzer, Roberts, Watson.
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Buldo, Crocker, Rivera.

- 6. ADMINISTRATION:**

- a. EKGSA Future Staffing Model Ad Hoc Recommendation and consider long term options for staffing in conjunction with closed session:

Chairman Milanesio adjourned to closed session pursuant to Government Code section 54957 to evaluate the performance and discuss the future employment of the Executive Director and GSA staff. After 25 minutes, the Board came out of closed session. No action was taken in closed session.

After everyone returned to the room, Hagman shared with the Board the Ad Hoc Committee's staffing recommendation memo as well as his memo (originally provided to the Ad Hoc Committee). The Ad Hoc Committee's staffing recommendation was to continue sharing resources between the EKGSA and Lindmore Irrigation District. It was noted that there were several provisions in the recommendation. Hagman also noted to the Board that the additional services were already placed in the budgets the Board will discuss later in the Board meeting. Motion to adopt the recommendation of the Ad Hoc Committee extending the current agreement with Lindmore ID providing continued executive leadership, administrative services and modifying the recommendation to add engineering and analytics to the agreement was made by Director George, seconded by Director Ferrara, and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Burkett, Ferrara, George, Gobler, Milanesio, Peltzer, Roberts, Watson.
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Crocker, Rivera, Buldo.

- b. Funding EKGSA efforts: The Executive Director explained to the Board that there were cost centers that the Board should consider creating and then associating these cost centers with a revenue stream based on their beneficiaries as follows:

Governance: *Recommendation – Collect for this cost center from member agency call for funds.*

The costs related to managing the Board of Directors and associated committees (executive leadership, administrative/secretarial/financial services, legal advice, meeting costs, insurance, audits, and other associated costs). He noted that this budget will be approximately \$211,000 for FY2020. He reminded the Board that they had been collecting money from the member agencies for these costs on a "dues" formula (each agency paying an equal 1/7th of the costs) for fiscal years 2017, 2018 and 2019 and that the Board had previously authorized collecting in this manner for FY2020. Hagman's recommendation was to continue this in perpetuity. Director Gobler asked if this is the last time the Board would be discussing this funding methodology or could they, in the future, add these costs to the Land Based Assessment (LBA) Hagman noted that the Board will get an LBA 5-10-year budget in about three months that he and Klinchuch will be developing. At that time the Board could direct staff to add these costs to the LBA election. His recommendation is to not add them to the LBA now or in the future but to continue collecting them from member agencies. No action was taken by the Board asking staff to apply these costs to the LBA.

SGMA Ongoing Implementation: *Recommendation – To place costs associated with this cost center in the LBA election.*

This cost center is associated with all the ongoing costs necessary to comply with SGMA and to update and maintain the GSP, Basin Setting, and to collect data and fill data gaps. The estimated costs were about \$860,000 annually for this cost center and that this budget

reflected Lindmore's proposed compensation for the engineering and analytic services. Hagman also noted that he is not asking the Board to adopt a budget today, but to take action to direct him to place these costs in the LBA budget. He reiterated that at a future meeting the Board would see a budget for the LBA associated costs for approval at that time. Hagman also noted that the City of Lindsay is preparing its community for an LBA election. City staff has stated that they are recommending the City pay for their share of the costs on behalf of its constituents to avoid conflict or confusion that likely would occur if both elections are out at the same time. Hagman noted that this could be done easily by just assigning costs for this activity to the City based on their share of acreage within the EKGSA. Hagman also explained that Lindsay-Strathmore, the City of Lindsay, and Strathmore Public Utility District, already do water quality assessment (which are included as a line item in this recommendation) on their associated wells. Hagman explained that to the extent that their efforts provide benefit to the EKGSA, an agreement could be developed between the agencies which provide a commensurate payment for their reporting. In this way their constituents aren't paying twice for the monitoring effort. After considerable discussion, Director Watson made a motion to approve costs associated with SGMA Ongoing Implementation, as provided, be included in the LBA election effort. This motion seconded by Director Burkett, and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Burkett, Ferrara, George, Gobler, Milanesio, Peltzer, Roberts, Watson.
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Buldo, Crocker, Rivera.

SGMA One Time Costs for Implementation: *Recommendation – Collect the needed money for these costs from willing member agencies or other debtors and place the repayment of this debt and associated debt costs in the LBA and repay the debtors from proceeds of the LBA over the next five years.*

Hagman reported to the Board that expenses in this cost center are relatively large amounts and one-time in nature. These costs include installation of monitoring wells/sites and stream gauges, well video logging, and other similar costs necessary for filling data gaps and gathering data necessary to firm up the EKGSA overdraft as well as funding the LBA Election effort. Hagman explained the GSP will state that the GSA will begin collecting data to fill these data gaps with these cost center tools immediately. As such this is a primary action in the GSP and will require immediate funding. Per State law, the EKGSA can assign debt service to the LBA. Therefore, the EKGSA could enter debt obligations with willing member agencies immediately and use the money to immediately implement these activities. Then the LBA could collect sufficient moneys to repay the debt obligations.

After considerable discussion, Director Ferrara made a motion to approve the cost center "SGMA One Time Cost", to borrow the needed money from willing member agencies, to assign this debt service collection to the LBA, and repay the participating agencies from revenues generated by the intended LBA, it was seconded by Director Peltzer, and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Burkett, Ferrara, George, Gobler, Milanesio, Peltzer, Roberts, Watson.
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Buldo, Crocker, Rivera.

Projects and Management Actions: *Recommendation – Collect revenues from benefitting individuals/agencies based on a groundwater demand rate.*

Hagman stated that these costs were associated with payments necessary to reduce the EKGSA's share of the overdraft. Hagman explained to the Board that it is the EKGSA's responsibility to do whatever is necessary to eliminate its assigned share of the overdraft condition of the sub-basin. Projects and Management actions will therefore have to either add surface supply water or reduce groundwater demand or some combination of the two.

Hagman explained that the EKGSA is currently "assigned" an overdraft of approximately 28,000 AF by the Water Accounting Framework (an appendix that will be in the Coordinated Agreement). He notes this overdraft value could be higher or lower depending on future data gathering efforts and results of the EKGSA and coordination of that data with the sub-basin partners.

Hagman's recommendation to collect this on a demand rate, associates the user of groundwater with the condition of overdraft. Hagman provided a draft budget figure and suggested collecting this cost center from the individuals/agencies that are causing the overdraft.

Directors asked when adoption of this revenue policy would be necessary. Hagman explained that prior to adoption of this revenue policy, there are several other policy decisions the Board needs to make such as allocation, how to measure demand, what water to place the cost on, etc. Additionally, he explained that today's presentation is provided to let the Board know his recommendation is not to place these costs in the LBA. If the Board chooses to place them in the LBA, this revenue approach will charge everyone for the overdraft even if they are not causing the overdraft. If the Board wants it in the LBA, we need to have that answered today since Hagman and Klinchuch are moving forward with developing the required LBA budget and assessment basis. Those who shared comments in the room, agreed with this concept of charging those who are causing the overdraft. No action was taken to add these costs to the LBA effort and collection of these revenues will be discussed when the EKGSA is prepared to implement projects and management actions.

- c. Proposition 218 – Budget for Prop 218 and which acres to include: *Recommendation – Exclude the City of Lindsay and all parcels in the EKGSA that are equal to or less than 2 acres and to collect \$40,000 immediately from the member agencies as an advance for covering this year's LBA effort which will be repaid as provided above.*

After considerable discussion, the Motion to exclude from the assessment lands those parcels within the City of Lindsay and all parcels equal to or less than two acres in size was made by Director Watson, seconded by Director Roberts, and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Burkett, Ferrara, George, Gobler, Milanesio, Peltzer, Roberts, Watson.
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Buldo, Crocker, Rivera.

Motion to make a call for funds in the amount of \$40,000 from member agencies based on weighted acreage was made by Director George, seconded by Director Peltzer, and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Burkett, Ferrara, George, Gobler, Milanesio, Peltzer, Roberts, Watson.
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Buldo, Crocker, Rivera.

- d. Fiscal Year 2018 Audited Financial Statements – The Executive Director gave a status update.

7. GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY EFFORTS:

- a. Draft Groundwater Sustainability Plan – Consider schedule for release.

A schedule for release of the Groundwater Sustainability Plan was provided by Hagman/Hughes.

After some discussion a motion to adopt the following schedule was made by Director Gobler, seconded by Director Watson, and carried by the following vote:

July 30, 2019 – Release of an administrative draft of the GSP to select agencies and individuals

August 29, 2019 – Close comment period on administrative draft GSP

September 16, 2019 – Board considers approving a “Notice of Intent to Adopt the GSP” and sets a hearing date to consider comments and adoption of the GSP

December 16, 2019 – Hearing to take comments on the draft GSP.

Week of January 13, 2020 – Board to consider adoption of the GSP

AYES: Burkett, Ferrara, George, Gobler, Milanesio, Peltzer, Roberts, Watson.
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Buldo, Crocker, Rivera.

8. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION:

Executive Director referenced the item listed on the Agenda for Closed Session and advised the Board and public that these items would be discussed under Closed Session. Chairman Milanesio adjourned the meeting to closed session at 5:26 PM.

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – POTENTIAL LITIGATION

Potential litigation pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (d) of Government Code § 54956.9 (d) (2): One Case.

Closed Session concluded at 6:10 PM. Following the closed session, Hughes reported that there was no reportable action taken in the Closed Session.

9. SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING:

Chairman Milanesio set a special meeting (as adopted in the GSP schedule) for September 16, 2019.

10. ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn was made by Director Burkett, seconded by Director Roberts, and carried by the following vote:

AYES:	Burkett, Ferrara, George, Gobler, Milanesio, Peltzer, Roberts, Watson.
NOES:	None
ABSTAIN:	None
ABSENT:	Buldo, Crocker, Rivera.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:12 p.m.

**EAST KAWEAH GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

MINUTES FOR THE SPECIAL MEETING ON SEPTEMBER 16, 2019

The East Kaweah Groundwater Sustainability Agency (“EKGSA”) Board of Directors duly met for a special meeting on Monday, September 16, 2019, at the Exeter Museum located at 125 S. B Street, Exeter, CA 93221.

OPEN SESSION: Convened at 3:06 p.m.

- 1. DIRECTORS PRESENT:** Roberts, Peltzer, Ferrara, Milanesio, George, Watson, Gobler, Buldo.

DIRECTORS ABSENT: Burkett, Rivera, Crocker.

OTHERS PRESENT: Michael Hagman, Executive Director; Joe Hughes, Legal Counsel; Matt Klinchuch, Engineer; Trilby Barton, Provost & Pritchard; and various members of the public.

- 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** The Board and public performed the pledge of allegiance to the American flag

- 3. APPROVE THE AGENDA:** The Executive Director asked that the closed session and GSP items on the agenda be addressed immediately following approval of the minutes. Motion to approve the agenda with those changes was made by Director Roberts, seconded by Director George, and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Roberts, Peltzer, Ferrara, Milanesio, George, Watson, Gobler, Buldo.
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Burkett, Rivera, Crocker.

- 4. PUBLIC COMMENT:** Karen Yohannes commented expressing her disappointment that the County white area representative on the Board was not present.

- 5. MINUTES:**

Motion to adopt and ratify the minutes of the July 29, 2019 Board meeting as provided by the Secretary was made by Director Watson, seconded by Director Peltzer, and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Roberts, Peltzer, Ferrara, Milanesio, George, Watson, Gobler, Buldo.
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Burkett, Rivera, Crocker.

- 6. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION:**

The Executive Director referenced the item listed on the Agenda for Closed Session and advised the Board and public that these items would be discussed under Closed Session. Chairman Milanesio adjourned the meeting to closed session at 3:10 PM.

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – POTENTIAL LITIGATION

Potential litigation pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (d) of Government Code § 54956.9(d)(2): One Case.

Closed Session concluded at 3:43 PM. Following the closed session, Hughes reported that there was no reportable action taken in the Closed Session.

Director Crocker arrived at this point in the meeting.

7. GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY EFFORTS:

- a. Notice to Set a Hearing Date and of the Intent to Adopt a Groundwater Sustainability Plan.

Motion to set December 16, 2019 at 3:00 PM as the date and time for the hearing on the Groundwater Sustainability Plan was made by Director George, seconded by Director Roberts, and carried by the following vote:

AYES:	Roberts, Peltzer, Ferrara, Milanesio, George, Watson, Gobler, Buldo, Crocker.
NOES:	None
ABSTAIN:	None
ABSENT:	Burkett, Rivera.

Matt Klinchuch provided an overview of the draft GSP and its elements that will be released on September 17 as well as the manner in which the document was developed.

Motion to release the draft GSP and give notice of the intent to adopt a GSP was made by Director Ferrara, seconded by Director Gobler, and carried by the following vote:

AYES:	Roberts, Peltzer, Ferrara, Milanesio, George, Watson, Gobler, Buldo, Crocker.
NOES:	None
ABSTAIN:	None
ABSENT:	Burkett, Rivera.

Chair Milanesio left at this point in the meeting and passed the gavel to Vice Chair Ferrara.

8. ADMINISTRATION:

- a. Funding EKGSA efforts: The Executive Director reported to the Board that a letter will be sent to the GSA's member agencies seeking funding of about \$2.5 million as a five-year loan at 3.5% for 2020 activities. The loan would be paid back from a landowner assessment following compliance with Proposition 218.

Motion to proceed with the loan process was made by Director Watson, seconded by Director Buldo, and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Roberts, Peltzer, Ferrara, George, Watson, Gobler, Buldo, Crocker.
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Burkett, Rivera, Milanesio.

- b. Fiscal Year 2018 Audited Financial Statements – Dennis Hilton made a presentation regarding the audited financial statements.

Motion to accept the audited financial statements with a correction on page 5 was made by Director Crocker, seconded by Director Watson, and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Roberts, Peltzer, Ferrara, George, Watson, Gobler, Buldo, Crocker.
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Burkett, Rivera, Milanesio.

- c. Board to Consider Setting a Budget Hearing Date for October 28, 2019:

Motion to approve a budget hearing date of October 28, 2019 was made by Director Crocker, seconded by Director George, and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Roberts, Peltzer, Ferrara, George, Watson, Gobler, Buldo, Crocker.
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Burkett, Rivera, Milanesio.

9. SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING:

The Executive Director reported that the next board meeting will be held on October 28, 2019.

10. ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn was made by Director Peltzer, seconded by Director Gobler, and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Roberts, Peltzer, Ferrara, George, Watson, Gobler, Buldo, Crocker.
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Burkett, Rivera, Milanesio.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:24 p.m.

**EAST KAWEAH GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

MINUTES FOR THE SPECIAL MEETING ON OCTOBER 28, 2019

The East Kaweah Groundwater Sustainability Agency (“EKGSA”) Board of Directors duly met for a special meeting on Monday, October 28, 2019, at the Exeter Museum located at 125 S. B Street, Exeter, CA 93221.

OPEN SESSION: Convened at 3:05 p.m.

- 1. DIRECTORS PRESENT:** Watson, Ferrara, Roberts, George, Peltzer, Crocker, Buldo.

DIRECTORS ABSENT: Milanesio, Gobler, Burkett, Rivera.

OTHERS PRESENT: Michael Hagman, Executive Director; Joe Hughes, Legal Counsel; Matt Klinchuch, Engineer; Trilby Barton, Provost & Pritchard; Tom Weddle, EKGSA Technical Advisory Committee member; and various members of the public.

- 2. APPROVE THE AGENDA:** Motion to approve the agenda was made by Director Buldo, seconded by Director Roberts, and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Watson, Ferrara, Roberts, George, Peltzer, Crocker, Buldo.

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Milanesio, Gobler, Burkett, Rivera.

- 3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** The Board and public performed the pledge of allegiance to the American flag.

- 4. PUBLIC COMMENT:** No comments.

- 5. MINUTES:**

Motion to adopt and ratify the minutes provided by the Secretary from the September 16, 2019 Special Board meeting was made by Director Peltzer, seconded by Director Buldo, and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Watson, Ferrara, Roberts, George, Peltzer, Crocker, Buldo.

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Milanesio, Gobler, Burkett, Rivera.

6. ADMINISTRATION:

- a. Interagency Coordination Agreement – Board was given direction on developing a two-year agreement with Lindmore ID for Executive and Implementation Management (February 1, 2020- January 31, 2022).

Motion to refer the draft agreement to Legal Counsel for review was made by Director George, seconded by Director Watson. Following discussion, the motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: Watson, Ferrara, Roberts, George, Peltzer, Crocker, Buldo.

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Milanesio, Gobler, Burkett, Rivera.

- b. Financial Reports – Executive Director and Kathryn Bennett provided financial reports to the Board.

Motion to approve the financial reports as presented was made by Director Watson, seconded by Director Crocker. Following discussion, the motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: Watson, Ferrara, Roberts, George, Peltzer, Crocker, Buldo.

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Milanesio, Gobler, Burkett, Rivera.

- c. Consider Ratification of the payments for FY 2019 – Quarter 2 and 3 Executive Director provided the Board with Accounts Payable listing and backup documentation and requested ratification of the payments made to meet the obligation of the Authority.

Motion to ratify the payments made for FY 2019 – Quarter 2 and 3 was made by Director Crocker, seconded by Director George, and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Watson, Ferrara, Roberts, George, Peltzer, Crocker, Buldo.

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Milanesio, Gobler, Burkett, Rivera.

- d. HEARING: Proposed Fiscal Year 2020 Budget - A hearing was held to allow the public to address the Board on budget items and budget in total.

Motion to adopt the budget for FY 2020 was made by Director Peltzer, seconded by Director Roberts, and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Watson, Ferrara, Roberts, George, Peltzer, Crocker, Buldo.

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Milanesio, Gobler, Burkett, Rivera.

- e. Call for Funds: Board discussed and established the FY 2020 Governance Call for Funds in the sum of \$224,000.

Motion to adopt the budget for FY 2020 was made by Director Crocker, seconded by Director Watson, and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Watson, Ferrara, Roberts, George, Peltzer, Crocker, Buldo.

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Milanesio, Gobler, Burkett, Rivera.

- f. FY 2019 Audit Engagement Letter – Board discussed hiring Dennis L. Hylton to audit Fiscal Year 2019 activities.

Motion to approve the audit engagement letter from Dennis L. Hylton was made by Director Crocker, seconded by Director Watson, and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Watson, Ferrara, Roberts, George, Peltzer, Crocker, Buldo.

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Milanesio, Gobler, Burkett, Rivera.

- g. LandIQ – Executive Director presented and Board discussed the agreement to perform ET analysis. Motion to approve a three-year agreement with LandIQ as recommended by Executive Director was made by Director George, seconded by Director Peltzer, and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Watson, Ferrara, Roberts, George, Peltzer, Crocker, Buldo.

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Milanesio, Gobler, Burkett, Rivera.

h. Resolution 2019-02 Authorizing Participation in a Prop 68 Grant for Sub-Basin Work.

Motion to approve the Resolution 2019-02 as presented to the Board was made by Director Roberts, seconded by Director Watson, and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Watson, Ferrara, Roberts, George, Peltzer, Crocker, Buldo.

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Milanesio, Gobler, Burkett, Rivera.

i. RCIS – Grantee and Proponent for Development of a Regional Conservation Investment Strategy Plan through the Prop 68 Grant process.

Motion to accept the role of Grantee and Proponent for Development of a Regional Conservation Investment Strategy Plan through the Prop 68 Grant process was made by Director Crocker, seconded by Director Watson, and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Watson, Ferrara, Peltzer, Crocker, Buldo.

NOES: Roberts, George

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Milanesio, Gobler, Burkett, Rivera.

7. GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY EFFORTS:

No report.

8. CLOSED SESSION:

There was no Closed Session.

9. CONSIDER ADOPTION OF CALENDAR YEAR 2020 MEETING SCHEDULE:

Motion to approve 2020 meeting calendar as presented by Executive Director was made by Director Buldo, seconded by Director Crocker, and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Watson, Ferrara, Roberts, George, Peltzer, Crocker, Buldo.

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Milanesio, Gobler, Burkett, Rivera.

10. SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING:

The Executive Director reported that the next board meeting will be a special meeting to be held on December 16, 2019. Next regular scheduled board meeting will be held on January 27, 2020.

11. ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn was made by Director Roberts, seconded by Director Peltzer, and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Watson, Ferrara, Roberts, George, Peltzer, Crocker, Buldo.

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Milanesio, Gobler, Burkett, Rivera.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

**EAST KAWEAH GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

MINUTES FOR THE SPECIAL MEETING ON DECEMBER 16, 2019

The East Kaweah Groundwater Sustainability Agency (“EKGSA”) Board of Directors duly met for a special meeting on Monday, December 16, 2019, at the Lindsay Wellness Center located at 860 North Sequoia Street, Lindsay, CA 93247.

OPEN SESSION: Convened at 3:08 p.m.

- 1. DIRECTORS PRESENT:** Camarena, Ferrara, George, Peltzer, Roberts (arrived at 3:10 p.m.), Milanesio, Gobler, Burkett.

DIRECTORS ABSENT: Watson, Crocker, Buldo, Rivera.

OTHERS PRESENT: Michael Hagman, Executive Director; Joe Hughes, Legal Counsel; Matt Klinchuch, Engineer; Trilby Barton, Provost & Pritchard; and various members of the committees and public.

- 2. APPROVE THE AGENDA:** Motion to approve the agenda was made by Director Roberts, seconded by Director Peltzer, and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Camarena, Ferrara, George, Peltzer, Roberts, Milanesio, Gobler, Burkett.

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Watson, Crocker, Buldo, Rivera.

- 3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** The Board and public performed the pledge of allegiance to the American flag.

- 4. PUBLIC COMMENT:** No comments.

- 5. MINUTES:**

Motion to adopt and ratify the minutes provided by the Secretary from the October 28, 2019 Special Board meeting was made by Director Ferrara, seconded by Director Burkett, and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Camarena, Ferrara, George, Peltzer, Roberts, Milanesio, Gobler, Burkett.

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Watson, Crocker, Buldo, Rivera.

6. PUBLIC HEARING – GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY PLAN:

Board conducted a public hearing and received comments on the draft Groundwater Sustainability Plan. The Executive Director acknowledged receiving written comments before the hearing from:

CA Department of Fish & Wildlife
City of Lindsay
Community Water Center
Exeter & Lindsay-Strathmore Irrigation Districts
Self-Help Enterprises
Tulare County Farm Bureau
Wonderful Citrus
Karen Yohannes
Alberto Corona
Concepcion Orozco
Emilia Montiel
Jose Manuel Zepeda
Maria Morales
Salud Lemus

The following stakeholders provided verbal comment:

Amanda Monaco, Leadership Counsel
Zach Haydt, Community Water Center
Blanca Escobedo, Leadership Counsel
Karen Yohannes, Landowner in EKGSA

A written comment was submitted during the hearing by Zach Haydt, which was the written version of his verbal comment. Amanda Monaco advised that Leadership Counsel had submitted its written comment earlier in the day.

The Chairman then closed the public hearing.

7. ADMINISTRATION:

- a. Interagency Coordination Agreement – Board was given direction on developing a two-year agreement with Lindmore ID for Executive and Implementation Management (January 1, 2020- December 31, 2021).

Motion to approve the agreement was made by Director George, seconded by Director Gobler. Following discussion, the motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: Camarena, Ferrara, George, Peltzer, Roberts, Milanesio, Gobler, Burkett.

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Watson, Crocker, Buldo, Rivera.

- b. Call for Funds: Board discussed and established the FY 2020 Plan Implementation Call for Funds in the sum of \$2,500,000.

Motion to make a call for funds for \$2,500,000 share of costs are based on acreage was made by Director Ferrara, seconded by Director Burkett, and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Camarena, Ferrara, George, Peltzer, Roberts, Milanesio, Gobler, Burkett.

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Watson, Crocker, Buldo, Rivera.

Further discussion ensued on the member agencies getting repaid by the EKGSA for this effort. Executive Director noted that he provided a potential solution but needed direction from the Board. Executive Director recommended the EKGSA place repayment of this call for funds into the land-based assessment process and repay the agencies. After some discussion the following action was taken:

Motion to approve repayment to the agencies for the above FY2020 Call for Funds and to place the repayment costs in the land-based assessment contemplated for FY2021 was made by Director Peltzer, seconded by Alternate Director Camarena and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Camarena, Ferrara, George, Peltzer, Roberts, Milanesio, Gobler, Burkett.

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Watson, Crocker, Buldo, Rivera.

- c. Kaweah Sub-Basin Coordination Agreement – Staff presented to the Board the currently developed Basin Coordination Agreement and its final appendices.

No action taken.

8. SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING:

Motion to set a special meeting to be held on January 17, 2020, at 3:00 at the Exeter Museum to consider adopting the final GSP was made by Director Gobler, seconded by Director George, and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Camarena, Ferrara, George, Peltzer, Roberts, Milanesio, Gobler, Burkett.

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Watson, Crocker, Buldo, Rivera.

9. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION:

Executive Director referenced the item listed on the Agenda for Closed Session and advised the Board and public that these items would be discussed under Closed Session.

CLOSED SESSION BEGAN AT 4:00 PM

A. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – POTENTIAL LITIGATION: [

Potential litigation pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (d) of Government Code § 54956.9: One Case.

At 5:03 PM, the Board came out of closed session and Legal Counsel reported that no reportable action was taken in the Closed Session.

10. ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn was made by Director Peltzer, seconded by Director Ferrara, and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Camarena, Ferrara, George, Peltzer, Roberts, Milanesio, Gobler, Burkett.

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Watson, Crocker, Buldo, Rivera.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:05 p.m.