

## **MEETING MINUTES**

Meeting of the

## Technical Advisory Committee

### Friday, July 28, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. at the office of Provost & Pritchard Consulting Group 130 N. Garden Street, Visalia, CA 93291

### Meeting Attendees

James Jordan, Wutchumna WC (Chair) Dale West, Stone Corral ID Mike Hagman, Lindmore ID Ismail Oudra, Lindmore ID Tim Gobler, Wonderful Aaron Bock, Tulare County Tim Bailey, Tulare County Matt Klinchuch, EKGSA Technical Consultant

## Absent:

City of Lindsay Exeter ID Ivanhoe ID Lindsay-Strathmore ID

- 1. Call to Order Committee Chair Jordan called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.
- 2. Self-Introductions The members in attendance gave a brief self-introduction. Hagman explained that at the TAC meetings he and Ismail Oudra are acting as representatives of Lindmore ID.
- 3. Public Comment— No public comments were provided.

# 4. Committee Administration

- a. Set regular meeting date and time
  - i. The members present proposed for the Committee to meet the 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday each month starting at 9:00 a.m. The meetings are proposed to be held at the Visalia office of Provost & Pritchard for now.
- b. Discussion on Quorum and Voting



- i. The following items are proposed for the Technical Advisory Committee make-up and are anticipated to be voted on at the next scheduled meeting.
  - Each agency member of EKGSA must provide member to the Committee, making a 7-member Committee, plus the nonvoting Chair person.
  - A Quorum requires 4 members present, no decisions/approvals can be made if less than 4 members are in attendance.
  - 3. Voting on items will require a simple majority of members present; (4 need 3, 5 need 3, 6 need 4, 7 need 4)
- c. Election of Vice Chair
  - i. The Members present propose to recommend to EKGSA Board that Matt Klinchuch serve as vice chair to the Committee
- d. Other items?
  - i. Hagman, as Executive Director, was tasked with developing and sending a letter to each member agency to identify representative for the Committee. The request will be that the agency consistently send the same representative and that this representative can at least serve in this role through GSP submittal in 2020.
- 5. Committee Business
  - a. Status Report on Kaweah Subbasin Efforts to date
    - i. Mike Hagman and Matt Klinchuch discussed status of the Kaweah Subbasin efforts with regards to the Subbasin TAC (EKGSA Members include Mike Hagman, Tom Weddle, and Matt Klinchuch) and Subbasin Management Team (EKGSA Members include Terry Peltzer, Mike Hagman, Tom Weddle and technical assistance from Matt Klinchuch). Current items include: pursuing a grant application through the Mid-Kaweah GSA and their consultant GEI through a Letter of Intent, developing a work plan for the Subbasin Coordination and EKGSA GSP, and an MOU is being developed amongst the 3 GSAs and is currently being reviewed/developed by the attorneys representing each GSA.
  - b. Review data request from 7/24 Board Meeting
    - The members present reviewed and discussed the data types list that was presented at the 7/24 EKGSA Board Meeting. The members reviewed the data types and set timelines for member agencies to provide data. Deadlines were set in tiers based on anticipated availability, with Tier 1



being 30 days (8/31), Tier 2 being 60 days (9/30), and Tier 3 to be determined.

- 6. New/Other Business— No new or other business items were discussed.
- 7. Announcements
  - a. Next Meeting: August 11, 2017 at 9:00 a.m.
- 8. Adjournment Committee Chair Jordan adjourned the meeting at 11:11 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Matt Klinchuch, Secretary East Kaweah Technical Advisory Committee



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#### **Meeting Attendees:**

James Jordan, Wutchumna WC (Chair) Tom Weddle, Exeter ID & Ivanhoe ID Dale West, Stone Corral ID Mike Hagman, Lindmore ID Ismail Oudra, Lindmore ID Mike Camarena, City of Lindsay Carrie Monteiro, County of Tulare Scott A Edwards, Lindsay-Strathmore ID Matt Klinchuch, EKGSA Technical Consultant Karen Yohannes, Stakeholder Joan Fischer, Stakeholder

# Members Absent:

None

- 1. Call to Order Committee Chair Jordan called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.
- 2. Self-Introductions The members in attendances gave a brief self-introduction.
- 3. Public Comment—No public comments were provided.
- 4. Committee Administration
  - a. Review and Approve Meeting Minutes from July 28, 2017 Meeting A motion was made by Committee Member West and seconded by Committee Member Hagman to approve the minutes from the July 28<sup>th</sup> meeting. The motion passed unanimously.
  - b. Set regular meeting date and time The committee agreed to continue having monthly meetings on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday starting at 9:00 a.m. at the Visalia office of Provost & Pritchard for the time being.
  - c. Discussion on Quorum and Voting A motion was made by Committee Member Hagman, seconded by Committee Member Weddle, and passed unanimously for the following items regarding the Technical Advisory Committee make-up:
    - i. The TAC will have 11 members, each board member can have a representative at the TAC. Each Board member will designate a person and alternative at their own expense.



- ii. A quorum requires 6 members be present
- iii. Voting on items will require a simple majority of the members present.
- d. Election of Vice Chair The TAC will recommend to the EKGSA Board that Matt Klinchuch serve as vice chair to the Committee
- e. Other items? No other items were brought to attention

## 5. Committee Business

- a. Status Report on Kaweah Subbasin Efforts to date The Subbasin Management or Technical team had not met since the previous East Kaweah TAC meeting. The only updates were that the Mid-Kaweah GSA had submitted a bill for reimbursement that is to be reviewed by the East Kaweah Management Team members. It was also shared that GEI will be leading the grant application for the Subbasin through the Mid-Kaweah GSA. The Final PSP is expected to be available by the end of August and GSAs will have 9 weeks to submit an application from the release of the Final PSP.
- b. Review data request from 7/24 GSA Board Meeting The members recapped the data request made from the July 24<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting for all the member agencies. Committee Chair Jordan emphasized to the member agencies the importance of getting this data together sooner than waiting for the set deadlines. The conversation also discussed the necessity of satellite imagery for obtaining historical crop demand versus utilizing long-time District data and meters on a small percentage of wells. The Committee agreed there may be a combination of methods used after data is collected and there is a better understanding of the data gaps.

## 6. New/Other Business-

a. A question was raised to whether there is going to be a market based upon allocation developed for the Subbasin. The members present discussed their thoughts on a market, but ultimately agreed that the Subbasin and respective GSAs still need to evaluate further.

### 7. Announcements

- a. Next Meeting: September 8, 2017 at 9:00 a.m.
- 8. Adjournment Committee Chair Jordan adjourned the meeting at 11:11 a.m.



Respectfully Submitted, 100

Matt Klinchuch, Secretary, East Kaweah GSA Technical Advisory Committee



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### **Meeting Attendees**

James Jordan, Wutchumna WC (Chair) Dale West, Stone Corral ID Mike Hagman, Lindmore ID Ismail Oudra, Lindmore ID Tom Weddle, Exeter ID & Ivanhoe ID Mike Camarena, City of Lindsay Aaron Bock, Tulare County Tim Bailey, Tulare County Tim Gobler, Wonderful Mark Larsen, GKGSA Allan Lombardi, Land Owner Joan Fisher, Landowner

Absent: Sentinel Butte MWC Scott Edwards, Lindsay-Strathmore ID Matt Klinchuch, EKGSA Technical Consultant

- 1. Call to Order Committee Chair Jordan called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.
- 2. Self-Introductions The members in attendance gave a brief self-introduction. James Jordan Explained that Matt Klinchuch will be joining the meeting later and Ismail Oudra is going to cover for him.
- Public Comment— Joan Fisher made two comments: one for the city of Woodlake proposed marijuana crop category for land use Email from farm team to comment on the state water board's wetlands and dredged and fill materials procedures. Deadline for comments is set September 18<sup>th</sup>, 2017

## 4. Committee Administration

a. Review and Approve Meeting Minutes from August 11, 2017 Meeting Motion to approved the august 11,2017 meeting minutes:



1<sup>st</sup> Mike Hagman/ 2<sup>nd</sup> Tom Weddle. Motion approved by unanimous vote of those present

- b. Meeting date and time Potentially slide start time back to 10:00 a.m. Motion to approved moving the start time for the TAC meeting to 10:30 am: 1<sup>st</sup> Mike Hagman/ 2<sup>nd</sup> Dale West. Motion approved by unanimous vote of those present
- c. Other items:

Mike Hagman suggested to have a motion for allowing Ismail Oudra to act as the meeting secretary in the absence of Matt Klinchuch:

 $1^{st}$  Mike Hagman/  $2^{nd}$  Dale West. Motion approved by unanimous vote of those present

# 5. Committee Business

- a. Update on Data Request
  - i. Ismail Oudramentioned that to date only Lindmore ID and Stone Corral ID have submitted data for crop acreage, well level data and surface water deliveries.
  - ii. Tom Weddle stated that the data for Exeter ID & Ivanhoe ID is available and need to be send.
  - iii. Mike Camarena brought the Final Report for Expansion of the Kaweah River Basin Groundwater Management Plan Monitoring Program and Data Management System
  - iv. Aaron Bock gave an update on the Data gathering for the county white space area.
- b. Status Report on Kaweah Subbasin Efforts to date
  - i. Mike Hagman stated that the MOU is under review by the Legal counsel and it is expected to be presented for the EKGSA Board meeting planned for October 2017.
  - ii. Mark Larsen added that the legal counsel has already reviewed the MOU and highlighted that there are some policy issues that need to be solved by the Subbasin Management Team during their next meeting.
  - iii. Both Mike Hagman and Mark Larsen mentioned that East and Greater Kaweah GSAs paid around \$40,000 each for the work done by Mid Kaweah GSA at the Subbasin level.
  - iv. No update about the Grant application that Mid Kaweah is preparing on behalf of the Subbasin. More to come after the Subbasin TAC meeting.



c. Coordination/Data Sharing with Kaweah Sub-Basin TAC

The attendees discussed the data sharing within the Kaweah Subbasin and how it is important to coordinate the efforts between the three GSAs to avoid overlap and redundancy in data collection. They also highlighted the importance of having a common methodology to deal with data gaps mainly for the County white space. Aaron Bock asked if it would be more effective to send an information request to landowners. To which mike Hagman responded that from Lindmore ID experience sending information request is not productive because you get at best 20% return. Allan Lombardi mentioned that it will be worth looking at the Tule River Subbasin case. Finally, Tim Gobler talked about the work done for Kern county by GEI and ITRC for crop water demand estimation using spatial data and satellite imagery. This work covered 20 years of data and costs \$300,000. Tim Gobler suggested that he can present the results of the study during the next TAC meeting.

### 6. New/Other Business-

- i. James Jordan brought to the attention of the group the development of a new antelope valley subdivision in the north-east side of Sentinel Butte MWC. Aaron Bock added that the subdivision will cover around 125 acres with 42 lots. He also mentioned that an EIR is under preparation and will have to go through the public comments.
- ii. A copy of the email from Farm Team relative to the State Water Board's wetlands and dredged and fill materials procedures for comments was distributed to the attendance. Mike Hagman suggested that the committee members get more time to review it and provide their comments through email before submitting a TAC Committee comment letter to the SWRCB before September20, 2017.

### 7. Announcements

- a. Next Meeting: October 13<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at 10:30 a.m.
- 8. Adjournment Committee Chair Jordan adjourned the meeting at 10:15 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Matt Klinchuch, Secretary East Kaweah GSA Technical Advisory Committee



## AGENDA

### Meeting of the

### **Technical Advisory Committee**

### Thursday, November 16, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. at the office of Provost & Pritchard Consulting Group 130 N. Garden Street, Visalia, CA 93291

#### Meeting Attendees

Neyba Amezcua –City of Lindsay Aaron Bock – County of Tulare Denise England – County of Tulare Tim Bailey – County of Tulare Tom Weddle – Exeter and Ivanhoe ID Ismail Oudra – Lindmore ID Scott Edwards – Lindsay-Strathmore ID Paul Buldo – Sentinel Butte MWC Dale West – Stone Corral ID Brian Brown – Grower Andy Edstrom – Wonderful Karen Yohannes – Landowner Allan Lombardi – Grower Matt Klinchuch – EKGSA Technical Consultant (Vice Chair)

#### Members Absent

County of Tulare (Landowner) County of Tulare (At Large) Wutchumna WC

- Call to Order Committee Vice Chair Klinchuch called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.
- 2. Self-Introductions The members in attendance gave a brief self-introduction.
- 3. Public Comment— Two public comments were made during this period.
  - a. Allan Lombardi States that landowners who are paying should have a right to the natural recharge (legal principal); engineering should follow. Every acre in the basin should have credit to something; regardless to soils/groundwater conditions. Feedback was provided from Tom Weddle, and some discussion followed.
  - **b.** Karen Yohannes Stated she doesn't want to see a groundwater market that isn't there.

### 4. Committee Administration

a. Review and Approve Meeting Minutes from September 8, 2017 Meeting – A motion was made by Committee Member West, seconded by Committee



Member Bock to approve the minutes for the September 8<sup>th</sup> meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

b. Update on Committee Membership – Vice Chair Klinchuch shared that Chair Jordan was no longer with Wonderful/Wutchumna Water Company. A replacement for his position would be filled in the future. The replacement needs to be approved by the EKGSA Board.

## 5. Committee Business

- a. Update on Data Request
  - i. An update was provided by Committee Member Bock and other County representatives on the County's data for the undistricted lands. The data was going though reviews between different staff at the County and was hoped to be available in the first quarter of 2018.
  - ii. Vice Chair Klinchuch provided an update on current data collected. He also discussed that the primary focus was on the groundwater data from the member entities. The goal with this data is to evaluate the groundwater trends over the 1996 2016 period to understand "ballpark ranges" for contour trends and water budget by the time Kaweah Subbasin Technical Coordination. A question was raised regarding subsidence and the feasibility to remedy the impact through the sustainability goals for 2040. The response is that it is something that will need to be taken into account as it is an Undesirable Result, but the Subbasin GSA's still need to work through that effort.
- b. Status Report on Kaweah Subbasin Efforts to date
  - Vice Chair Klinchuch updated the group that the Prop 1 grant for the Kaweah Subbasin was submitted by the grant deadline on November 13<sup>th</sup>.
    All three GSA's provided input and review on the product before it was submitted. The expectation is that grants will be awarded in late January.
  - ii. Vice Chair Klinchuch shared that Subbasin Coordination through the Management Team and Subbasin TAC had not yet started. The expectation is meetings for the two groups will begin in early 2018. These meetings are also Brown Act meetings.
- c. Coordination/Data Sharing with Kaweah Sub-Basin TAC
  - i. Since the Subbasin groups had not met, there was no further understanding on the specifics to how coordination and data sharing will



work at the Subbasin level. The DMS being developed by GEI is still to come.

- 6. New/Other Business— No additional business was discussed.
- 7. Announcements
  - a. Next Meeting: December 8, 2017 at 10:30 a.m. (This meeting was cancelled)
- 8. Adjournment Committee Vice Chair Klinchuch adjourned the meeting at 11:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Matt Klinchuch, Secretary

East Kaweah GSA Technical Advisory Committee