

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

MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR MEETING ON JANUARY 25, 2021

The East Kaweah Groundwater Sustainability Agency (“EKGSA”) Board of Directors duly met for a Regular meeting on Monday, January 25, 2021, via video/phone conference and in person – COVID -19 protocol.

OPEN SESSION: Convened at 3:05 p.m. with a quorum.

- 1. DIRECTORS PRESENT:** Milanesio, Micari (remote), Watson (remote), Ferrara (remote), Buldo (remote), Peltzer (remote), George, Hornung.

DIRECTORS ABSENT: Burkett, Roberts, Flores.

OTHERS PRESENT: Michael Hagman, Executive Director; Joe Hughes, Legal Counsel; John Komar, Special Counsel; Matt Klinchuch, Consulting Engineer; Cruz Romero, Staff Engineer; Kathy Bennett, Senior Analyst; and various members of the committees and public.

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

AYES: Milanesio, Micari, Watson, Ferrara, Buldo, Peltzer, George, Hornung.

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Burkett, Roberts, Flores.

- 3. PUBLIC COMMENT:** No comments.

- 4. MINUTES:** Motion to adopt and ratify the minutes provided by the Secretary from the October 26, 2020 Regular Board meeting and the December 1, 2020 Special Board meeting was made by Director Buldo, seconded by Director George, and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Milanesio, Micari, Watson, Ferrara, Buldo, Peltzer, George, Hornung.

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Burkett, Roberts, Flores.

5. ADMINISTRATION:

- a. Financial Reports: Executive Director reviewed the unaudited 4th Quarter 2020 financial reports provided by the Senior Analyst.
- b. Payments: Senior Analyst provided the EKGSA check register. After some brief discussion on the financial reports and the payments, a motion to accept the unaudited FY2020 4th Quarter financial statements and ratify payments made to meet the obligations of the EKGSA was made by Director George, seconded by Director Peltzer, and carried on the following vote:

AYES: Milanesio, Micari, Watson, Ferrara, Buldo, Peltzer, George, Hornung.

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Burkett, Roberts, Flores.

- c. Update on Proposition 68 – WCB Grant (RCIS): Executive Director reported on the status of the RCIS effort. Reports and invoices have all been submitted and WCB has reimbursed the EKGSA for 2 quarters (April 2020 – September 2020). RCIS Steering Committee meetings and several planning meetings have been held.
- d. Update on Proposition 68 – Basin Planning Grant: Executive Director provided an update on the administration and projects. Quarterly reports for the grant have been submitted on time. The \$180,000 reimbursement for SkyTem has not been received, but all documents have been reviewed and signed.
- e. Technical Advisory Chair – Discussion on Board considering a Chair for the TAC.

6. GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY PLAN IMPLEMENTATION:

Advisory Committee Efforts: Director Ferrara and Hagman reported on the most recent AC meeting and the need for the Committee to have more direction from the Board on the “cultural issues” entwined in accomplishing sustainability. Hagman suggested the Board consider a study session. After discussion, the Board determined to have study sessions and a motion was made by Director George, seconded by Director Peltzer, and carried on the following vote:

AYES: Milanesio, Micari, Watson, Ferrara, Buldo, Peltzer, George, Hornung.

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Burkett, Roberts, Flores.

- b. Technical Advisory Committee Efforts: Hagman/Klinchuch reported on the most recent TAC meeting.
- c. Subbasin Efforts: No meetings since the last Board meeting.
- d. GSP Implementation: Hagman, Romero and Klinchuch provided an update on Implementation.
- e. Consider Adoption of two policies:
 - 1. **GW 2020-01**
 - 2. **GW 2020-02**

There was considerable discussion on these two policies. Several recommendations were to be reviewed by Counsel and taken to the upcoming study sessions. Board will then meet to consider adoption of the policies.

- 7. **CLOSED SESSION:** Board went into closed session at 4:25 p.m. and after discussion, came out of closed session at 4:52. There was no reportable action.

8. CALENDAR YEAR 2021 MEETING SCHEDULE:

Motion to adopt the meeting schedule for calendar year 2021 was made by Director Watson, seconded by Director Hornung, and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Milanesio, Micari, Watson, Ferrara, Buldo, Peltzer, George, Hornung.

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Burkett, Roberts, Flores.

9. SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING:

The Executive Director reported that the next regularly scheduled board meeting will be held on April 26, 2021. However, the Board asked Hagman to set up a study session in March.

10. ADJOURNMENT:

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

AYES: Milanesio, Micari, Watson, Ferrara, Buldo, Peltzer, George, Hornung.

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Burkett, Roberts, Flores.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:25 p.m.

Michael D. Hagman
Secretary, East Kaweah GSA

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

MINUTES FOR THE SPECIAL MEETING ON FEBRUARY 19, 2021

The East Kaweah Groundwater Sustainability Agency (“EKGSA”) Board of Directors duly met for a Special meeting on Friday, February 19, 2021, via video/phone conference and in person – COVID -19 protocol.

OPEN SESSION: Convened at 3:05 p.m. with a quorum.

1. **DIRECTORS PRESENT:** Milanesio, George, Hornung, Micari (remote), Watson (remote), Ferrara (remote), Buldo (remote), Roberts (remote), Caudillo (remote), Weddle (remote)

DIRECTORS ABSENT: Burkett

OTHERS PRESENT: Michael Hagman, Executive Director; Joe Hughes, Legal Counsel; Matt Klinchuch, Consulting Engineer; Cruz Romero, Staff Engineer; Kathy Bennett, Senior Analyst; and various members of the committees and public.

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

AYES: Milanesio, George, Hornung, Micari, Watson, Ferrara, Buldo, Roberts, Caudillo, Weddle.

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Burkett.

3. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** No comments.

4. **CLOSED SESSION:** Board went into closed session at 3:15 p.m. and after discussion came out of closed session at 4:02 p.m. Following the closed session, Legal Counsel reported that on motion of Director George, seconded by Director Ferrara, and unanimously carried, authorization was given to Legal Counsel to defend the GSA in the matter of Domenigoni Ranch central, LLC v. East Kaweah Groundwater Sustainability Agency, et al., Tulare county Superior Court Case No, VCU 285398.

5. **SCHEDULE STUDY SESSION:** After discussion, the board determined there would be a study session on March 15, 2021 at 3:00 p.m. and March 22, 2021 at 3:00 p.m. for developing policies and methodologies.

6. ADJOURNMENT:

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

AYES: Milanesio, George, Hornung, Micari, Watson, Ferrara, Buldo, Roberts, Caudillo, Weddle.

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Burkett.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:20 p.m.

Michael D. Hagman
Secretary, East Kaweah GSA

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

MINUTES FOR THE SPECIAL MEETING ON MARCH 15, 2021

The East Kaweah Groundwater Sustainability Agency (“EKGSA”) Board of Directors duly met for a Special meeting on Monday, March 15, 2021, via video/phone conference and in person – COVID -19 protocol.

OPEN SESSION: Convened at 3:00 p.m. with a quorum.

1. **DIRECTORS PRESENT:** Milanesio, George, Hornung, Burkett, Ferrara, Roberts, Peltzer, Caudillo (remote), Buldo (arrived at the venue at 3:15 PM).

DIRECTORS ABSENT: Micari, Watson

OTHERS PRESENT: Michael Hagman, Executive Director; Joe Hughes, Legal Counsel; John Komar, Special Counsel; Matt Klinchuch, Consulting Engineer; Trilby Barton, Provost & Pritchard; Cruz Romero, Staff Engineer; Kathy Bennett, Senior Analyst; and various members of the committees and public.

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

3. **AYES:** Milanesio, George, Hornung, Burkett, Ferrara, Roberts, Peltzer, Caudillo.

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Micari, Watson, Buldo

4. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** Chairman Milanesio asked for public comment and some questions were asked as to format of this meeting. Chairman noted that would be explained after the administrative items were finished.

5. **MINUTES:** Motion to adopt and ratify the minutes provided by the Secretary for the January 25, 2021 Regular Board meeting with modifications, and February 19, 2021 Special Board meeting was made by Director George, seconded by Director Burkett, and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Milanesio, George, Hornung, Burkett, Ferrara, Roberts, Peltzer, Caudillo.

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Micari, Watson, Buldo.

6. **STUDY SESSION:** Chairman Milanesio explained that today’s meeting would focus on the Executive Director’s presentation and developing direction to staff for more information. Chairman Milanesio noted that public input into today’s meeting would be allowed at the end of the meeting. Chairman Milanesio directed Executive Director Hagman to begin his presentation. Hagman reviewed the Power Point presentation as a background for developing “solutions, policies and processes” for the EKGSA. At approximately 5:00 the Board took questions from the public. Hagman noted that comments in the “Zoom Chat Room” would be provided to the Board at the next study session. No actions were taken at the meeting. Staff was directed to provide substantial material or working tools for the Board at the next Board meeting.
7. **CLOSED SESSION:** Board went into closed session at 5:26 p.m. and came out of closed session at 5:31 p.m. and Chairman Milanesio announced that there was no reportable action taken in closed session.
8. **ADJOURNMENT:** After some discussion, the board determined there would need to be an additional Board meeting. A motion was made by Director Ferrara, seconded by Director George, to establish another meeting for March 29, 2021 and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Milanesio, George, Hornung, Burkett, Ferrara, Roberts, Peltzer, Caudillo, Buldo.

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Micari, Watson

The meeting was then adjourned by Chairman Milanesio at 5:32 p.m.

Michael D. Hagman
Secretary, East Kaweah GSA

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

MINUTES FOR THE SPECIAL MEETING ON MARCH 22, 2021

The East Kaweah Groundwater Sustainability Agency (“EKGSA”) Board of Directors duly met for a Special meeting on Monday, March 22, 2021, via video/phone conference and in person – COVID -19 protocol.

OPEN SESSION: Convened at 3:05 p.m. with a quorum.

1. **DIRECTORS PRESENT:** Milanesio, George, Hornung, Burkett, Ferrara, Roberts (remote), Peltzer, Micari, Watson (remote), Caudillo (remote), Buldo (remote).

DIRECTORS ABSENT: None.

OTHERS PRESENT: Michael Hagman, Executive Director; Joe Hughes, Legal Counsel; Matt Klinchuch, Consulting Engineer; Trilby Barton, Provost & Pritchard; Cruz Romero, Staff Engineer; Kathy Bennett, Senior Analyst; and various members of the committees and public.

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

3. **AYES:** Milanesio, George, Hornung, Burkett, Ferrara, Roberts, Peltzer, Micari, Watson, Caudillo, Buldo.

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

4. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** Chairman Milanesio asked for public comment. There was no public comment.

5. **MINUTES:** Motion to adopt and ratify the minutes provided by the Secretary for the March 15, 2021 Special Board meeting was made by Director Caudillo, seconded by Director Hornung, and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Milanesio, George, Hornung, Burkett, Ferrara, Roberts, Peltzer, Micari, Watson, Caudillo, Buldo.

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

6. **ADMINISTRATIVE:**

- a. **Resolution 2021-01:** Attesting to the right to collect Land Based assessments and authorize collection through the County Tax Rolls. Executive Director Hagman reviewed the decision to have the assessments collected through the county and after discussion, motion to approve Resolution 2021-01 was made by Director Hornung, seconded by Director Buldo, and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Milanesio, George, Hornung, Burkett, Ferrara, Roberts, Peltzer, Micari, Watson, Caudillo, Buldo.

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

- b. **Agreement for Compensation to County of Tulare for Collection of Special Assessments:** Executive Director Hagman discussed the agreement with Tulare County and answered questions from the Directors. After discussion, a motion to approve the Agreement with Tulare County was made by Director George, seconded by Director Hornung, and carried by the following vote:

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

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: Micari

ABSENT: None

7. **STUDY SESSION:** Executive Director Hagman presented an Excel spreadsheet meant as a “working tool” to use at this study session and the next session. He went through how the spreadsheet formulas work to show outcomes with any policy recommendations on allocation that the Board presents. After several comments, the Board directed Hagman to develop a priority list of policies and recommendations for considering at the next meeting.
8. **CLOSED SESSION:** Board went into closed session at 5:55 p.m. and came out of closed session at 6:02 p.m. and Chairman Milanesio announced that there was no reportable action taken in closed session.
9. **ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting was adjourned by Chairman Milanesio at 6:04 p.m.

Michael D. Hagman
Secretary, East Kaweah GSA

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

MINUTES FOR THE SPECIAL MEETING ON MARCH 29, 2021

The East Kaweah Groundwater Sustainability Agency (“EKGSA”) Board of Directors duly met for a Special meeting on Monday, March 29, 2021, via video/phone conference and in person – COVID -19 protocol.

OPEN SESSION: Convened at 3:05 p.m. with a quorum.

1. **DIRECTORS PRESENT:** Milanesio, George, Hornung, Burkett, Ferrara, Roberts (remote), Peltzer, Micari (remote), Buldo.

DIRECTORS ABSENT: Caudillo, Watson.

OTHERS PRESENT: Michael Hagman, Executive Director; Joe Hughes, Legal Counsel; Matt Klinchuch, Consulting Engineer; Trilby Barton, Provost & Pritchard; Cruz Romero, Staff Engineer; Kathy Bennett, Senior Analyst; and various members of the committees and public.

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

3. **AYES:** Milanesio, George, Hornung, Burkett, Ferrara, Roberts, Peltzer, Micari, Buldo.

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Caudillo, Watson

4. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** Chairman Milanesio asked for public comment. There was no public comment.

5. **MINUTES:** Motion to adopt and ratify the minutes provided by the Secretary for the March 22, 2021 Special Board meeting was made by Director Peltzer, seconded by Director Buldo, and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Milanesio, George, Hornung, Burkett, Ferrara, Roberts, Peltzer, Micari, Buldo.

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Caudillo, Watson

6. **Study Session:**

- a. **Review Management Actions and Projects for reducing overdraft in the EKGSA:** Executive Director Hagman reviewed the management actions and projects
 - b. **Policy Direction:**
7. **CLOSED SESSION:** No closed session.
 8. **Next Meeting** – April 26, 2021
 9. **ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting was adjourned by Chairman Milanesio at 5:20 p.m.

Michael D. Hagman
Secretary, East Kaweah GSA

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

MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR MEETING ON APRIL 26, 2021

The East Kaweah Groundwater Sustainability Agency (“EKGSA”) Board of Directors duly met for a Regular meeting on Monday, April 26, 2021, via video/phone conference and in person – COVID -19 protocol.

OPEN SESSION: Convened at 3:00 p.m. with a quorum.

1. **DIRECTORS PRESENT:** Milanesio, Micari (remote), Watson (remote), Ferrara (remote), Buldo (remote), Roberts (remote), Burkett (remote), Weddle (for Peltzer, remote), George, Hornung.

DIRECTORS ABSENT: Caudillo.

OTHERS PRESENT: Michael Hagman, Executive Director; Joe Hughes, Legal Counsel; Matt Klinchuch, Consulting Engineer; Trilby Barton, Provost & Pritchard; Cruz Romero, Staff Engineer; Kathy Bennett, Senior Analyst; Dennis Hylton, CPA; and various members of the committees and public.

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

AYES: Milanesio, Micari, Watson, Ferrara, Buldo, Roberts, Burkett, Weddle (for Peltzer), George, Hornung.

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Caudillo.

3. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** No comments.

4. **MINUTES:** Motion to adopt and ratify the minutes provided by the Secretary from the March 29, 2021, Special Board Meeting was made by Director Hornung, seconded by Director Roberts, and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Milanesio, Micari, Watson, Ferrara, Buldo, Roberts, Burkett, Weddle (for Peltzer), George, Hornung

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Caudillo.

5. ADMINISTRATION:

- a. Financial Reports: Executive Director reviewed the unaudited 1st Quarter 2021 financial reports provided by the Senior Analyst.
- b. Payments: Senior Analyst provided the EKGSA check register. After some brief discussion on the financial reports and the payments, a motion to ratify payments made to meet the obligations of the EKGSA was made by Director Hornung, seconded by Director George, and carried on the following vote:

AYES: Milanesio, Micari, Watson, Ferrara, Buldo, Roberts, Burkett, Weddle (for Peltzer), George, Hornung.

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Caudillo.

- c. Audit Presentation: Dennis Hylton presented the audit report. A motion to accept the Audit was made by Director George, seconded by Director Hornung, and carried on the following vote:

AYES: Milanesio, Micari, Watson, Ferrara, Buldo, Roberts, Burkett, Weddle (for Peltzer), George, Hornung.

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Caudillo.

- d. Proposition 68 – WCB Grant (RCIS): Executive Director reported on the status of the RCIS effort. All reports and request for reimbursement are in. All activities are on timeline.
- e. Proposition 68 – Basin Planning Grant: Executive Director provided an update on the administration and projects. All reports and requests for reimbursement are in. All activities are on timeline.

6. GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY PLAN IMPLEMENTATION:

Advisory Committee Efforts: Director Ferrara reported on the most recent AC meeting.

- b. Technical Advisory Committee Efforts: Klinchuch reported on the most recent TAC meeting and noted that the TAC had been assigned to do tasks by the Board.
- c. Subbasin Efforts: Hagman and Romero provided an update.

- d. GSP Implementation: Hagman, Romero and Klinchuch provided an update on Implementation.
- e. Update of Board of Directors Direction to Staff/Technical Advisory Committee:
 - 1. Allocation Methodology
 - 2. Billing Mechanism
 - 3. Other Tools Needed
 - 4. Other Potential Glidepath methodologies
- 7. **CLOSED SESSION:** Board went into closed session at 4:28 p.m. and after a short discussion, came out of closed session at 4:35. There was no reportable action.
- 8. **SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING:**

The Executive Director reported that the next regularly scheduled board meeting will be held on July 26, 2021. The Board discussed meeting in person and zoom for outside participants.
- 9. **ADJOURNMENT:**

The meeting was adjourned at 4:35 p.m.

Michael D. Hagman
Secretary, East Kaweah GSA

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

MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR MEETING ON July 26, 2021

The East Kaweah Groundwater Sustainability Agency (“EKGSA”) Board of Directors duly met for a Regular meeting on Monday, April 26, 2021, via video/phone conference and in person – COVID -19 protocol.

OPEN SESSION: Convened at 3:05 p.m. with a quorum.

1. **DIRECTORS PRESENT:** Milanesio, Micari, Caudillo (remote), Ferrara, Buldo, Roberts, Burkett, Peltzer, George, Hornung.

DIRECTORS ABSENT: Watson.

OTHERS PRESENT: Michael Hagman, Executive Director; Joe Hughes, Legal Counsel; Matt Klinchuch, Consulting Engineer; Trilby Barton, Provost & Pritchard; Cruz Romero, Staff Engineer; Kathy Bennett, Senior Analyst; and various members of the committees and public.

2. **APPROVE THE AGENDA:** Executive Director informed the Board that Legal Counsel requested the Closed Session agenda item be moved up to be next. Motion to approve the agenda with the change that Closed Session be #3 on the agenda was made by Director Peltzer, seconded by Director Micari, and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Milanesio, Micari, Caudillo, Ferrara, Buldo, Roberts, Burkett, Peltzer, George, Hornung.

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Watson.

3. **CLOSED SESSION:** Board went into closed session at 3:10 p.m. and after discussion, came out of closed session at 3:51p.m. There was no reportable action.

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

5. **MINUTES:** Motion to adopt and ratify the minutes provided by the Secretary from the April 26, 2021, Regular Board Meeting was made by Director Hornung, seconded by Director Buldo, and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Milanesio, Micari, Caudillo, Ferrara, Buldo, Roberts, Burkett, Peltzer, George, Hornung.

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Watson.

6. ADMINISTRATION:

- a. Shared Resources Agreement: Executive Director noted the current Agreement is ends after December 31, 2021 and asked the Board for direction whether to get the Ad Hoc Committee together again or approve an extension. Director George requested that the Ad Hoc Committee meet. Chair Milanesio appointed Directors George, Burkett, and Buldo for the Ad Hoc Committee representing EKGSA.
- b. Financial Reports: The Senior analyst reviewed the unaudited 2nd Quarter 2021 financial reports she provided and answered questions from the Board.
- c. Payments: Senior Analyst provided the EKGSA check register. After some brief discussion the payments, a motion to ratify payments made to meet the obligations of the EKGSA was made by Director George, seconded by Director Roberts, and carried on the following vote:

AYES: Milanesio, Micari, Caudillo, Ferrara, Buldo, Roberts, Burkett, Peltzer, George, Hornung.

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Watson.

- d. Proposition 68 – WCB Grant (RCIS): Executive Director reported on the status of the RCIS effort and the public meeting about the Kaweah Groundwater Subbasin RCIS was on the 21st. Director Roberts commented unfavorably regarding establishing a space for the environmental groups in the Kaweah Subbasin. Hagman noted that the RCIS is not a regulatory document and can not guide land use in the Kaweah Subbasin. Director Roberts simply noted that it is a start.
- e. Proposition 68 – Basin Planning Grant: Executive Director provided an update on the administration and projects. All reports and requests for reimbursement are in. Actions for the Well Videoing have been delayed until wells are not used. This is likely to occur in earnest after November of this year.

7. GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY PLAN IMPLEMENTATION:

- a. Advisory Committee Report: Director Ferrara reviewed that the AC is discussing methods of allocation and groundwater policies.
- b. Technical Advisory Committee Efforts: Director Buldo reported the TAC is doing a lot of work and having a lot of discussion as they try to complete the tasks assigned by the Board. Waiting on legal direction and information from P&P to facilitate completion of tasks.

- c. Subbasin Efforts: Executive Director noted the next meeting is coming up.
- d. GSP Implementation: Executive Director reviewed the spreadsheet of 12 months of Land IQ data compiled by the Staff Engineer. The spreadsheet is an ET versus surface supply tool that still needs cleaning up.
- e. Update to Board of Directors Direction regarding Staff/Technical Advisory Committee efforts to develop groundwater control methodologies: Hagman reported that the Technical Advisory Committee work is moving forward and is focused on allocating water and giving the allocation an ownership of supply to bank, trade, sell, lose, etc. Hagman reported that the Advisory Committee wanted a copy of a non-allocation method that controls overdraft with dollars assigned to extractions (Fee Model). They wanted it to be part of their broader document that looks at methods reviewed by the Advisory Committee.

8. SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING:

The Executive Director reported that the next regularly scheduled board meeting will be held on October 25, 2021. Special meeting of the Board of Directors was established for August 19, 2021 at 3:00 p.m.

9. ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 5:38 p.m.

Michael D. Hagman
Secretary, East Kaweah GSA

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

MINUTES FOR THE SPECIAL MEETING ON August 19, 2021

The East Kaweah Groundwater Sustainability Agency (“EKGSA”) Board of Directors duly met for a Special meeting on Thursday August 19, 2021, via video/phone conference and in person – COVID -19 protocol.

OPEN SESSION: Convened at 3:03 p.m. with a quorum.

1. **DIRECTORS PRESENT:** Milanesio, George, Hornung, Burkett, Ferrara, Roberts, Peltzer, Micari, Buldo, Caudillo (remote), Watson (remote).

DIRECTORS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Michael Hagman, Executive Director; Joe Hughes, Legal Counsel; Matt Klinchuch, Consulting Engineer; Trilby Barton, Provost & Pritchard; Cruz Romero, Staff Engineer; Kathy Bennett, Senior Analyst; and various members of the committees and public.

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

AYES: Milanesio, George, Hornung, Burkett, Ferrara, Roberts, Peltzer, Micari, Buldo, Caudillo, Watson

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

3. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** Chairman Milanesio asked for public comment. Director Micari commented on the RCIS.

4. **MINUTES:** Motion to adopt and ratify the minutes provided by the Secretary for the July 26, 2021, Regular Board meeting was made by Director Buldo, seconded by Director Burkett, and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Milanesio, George, Hornung, Burkett, Ferrara, Roberts, Peltzer, Micari, Buldo, Caudillo, Watson.

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

5. **Allocation Methodology:** Director Ferrara introduced the Advisory Committee memorandum to the Board of Directors noting the AC wanted the Board to have it ahead of any decisions they may make on allocations. It is informational to anyone, and AC will not make a recommendation.

Draft Annual Report: Trilby reviewed the draft annual report that included the changes recommended by the Advisory Committee and informed the Board there will be irrigation efficiency resources on the EKGSA website.

6. **CLOSED SESSION:** The Board went into closed session at 3:18 p.m. and came out of closed session at 5:59 p.m. Chairman Milanesio announced that there was no reportable action taken in closed session.
7. **NEXT MEETING:** October 25, 2021
8. **ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting was adjourned by Chairman Milanesio at 6:00 p.m.

Michael D. Hagman
Secretary, East Kaweah GSA

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

MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR MEETING ON OCTOBER 25, 2021

The East Kaweah Groundwater Sustainability Agency (“EKGSA”) Board of Directors duly met for a Regular meeting on Monday, October 25, 2021, via video/phone conference and in person – COVID -19 protocol.

OPEN SESSION: Convened at 3:00 p.m. with a quorum.

1. **DIRECTORS PRESENT:** Milanesio, Micari, Watson (remote), Ferrara, Buldo, Ramirez, Burkett, Peltzer, George, Hornung, Caudillo (remote).

DIRECTORS ABSENT:

OTHERS PRESENT: Michael Hagman, Executive Director; Joe Hughes, Legal Counsel; Matt Klinchuch, Consulting Engineer; Trilby Barton, Provost & Pritchard; Cruz Romero, Staff Engineer; Kathy Bennett, Senior Analyst; and various members of the committees and public.

2. **DISCUSS AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON FINDINGS NEEDED TO UTILIZE ALTERNATIVE TELECONFERENCING REQUIREMENTS DURING A STATE OF EMERGENCY:** A motion to approve the continued state of emergency and have Board attendance in person was made by Director Micari, seconded by Director Hornung, and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Milanesio, Micari, Watson, Ferrara, Buldo, Ramirez, Burkett, Peltzer, George, Hornung, Caudillo.

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

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

AYES: Milanesio, Micari, Watson, Ferrara, Buldo, Ramirez, Burkett, Peltzer, George, Hornung, Caudillo.

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

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

5. **MINUTES:** Motion to adopt and ratify the minutes provided by the Secretary from the August 19, 2021, Special Board Meeting was made by Director George, seconded by Director Hornung, and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Milaneseo, Micari, Watson, Ferrara, Buldo, Ramirez, Burkett, Peltzer, George, Hornung, Caudillo.

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

6. **ADMINISTRATION:**

- a. FY2022 Annual Budget: Executive Director reviewed the draft FY2022 Annual Budget and reviewed the analysis of reserves for Governance, Plan and Implementation and projected loss for Governance activities in FY2021. A motion to set a hearing date on December 10th, 2021 at 3:00 p.m. to consider adoption of the budget for FY2022 was made by Director George, seconded by Director Micari, and carried on the following vote:

AYES: Milaneseo, Micari, Watson, Ferrara, Buldo, Ramirez, Burkett, Peltzer, George, Hornung, Caudillo.

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

- b. Shared Resources Agreement: Director George provided a report to the Board noting that both EKGSA and Lindmore ID were very satisfied with the shared services. Executive Director reviewed the Addendum to Agreement for Management and Administrative Services. This addendum was developed jointly by each agencies legal counsel. Hagman noted that the Addendum was allowed by the original agreement if only the contract period or rates of payment were changing. This is the case on this addendum, the rate of compensation is proposed to increase \$10,000 each of the next to contract periods for 2022 & 2023. A motion to continue the Shared Resources Agreement and approve the Addendum was made by Director George, seconded by Director Watson, and carried on the following vote:

AYES: Milaneseo, Micari, Watson, Ferrara, Buldo, Ramirez, Burkett, Peltzer, George, Hornung, Caudillo.

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

- c. Financial Reports: Senior Analyst provided and reviewed the unaudited 3rd Quarter 2021 financial reports. After discussion which included holding off on developing a loan agreement to offset the projected loss of Governance activities, a motion to accept the unaudited FY 2021 3rd Quarter financial statements was made by Director Ferrara, seconded by Director Peltzer, and carried on the follow vote:

AYES: Milanesio, Micari, Watson, Ferrara, Buldo, Ramirez, Burkett, Peltzer, George, Hornung, Caudillo.

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

- d. Payments: Senior Analyst provided the EKGSA check register. After some brief discussion on the payments, a motion to ratify payments made to meet the obligations of the EKGSA was made by Director Buldo, seconded by Director Hornung, and carried on the following vote:

AYES: Milanesio, Micari, Watson, Ferrara, Buldo, Ramirez, Burkett, Peltzer, George, Hornung, Caudillo.

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

- e. Proposition 68 – WCB Grant (RCIS): Executive Director reported on the status of the RCIS effort. The RCIS was submitted for the completeness review and received confirmation that it is technically complete. All reports and request for reimbursement are in. All activities are on timeline.

- f. Proposition 68 – Basin Planning Grant: Executive Director provided an update on the administration and projects. All reports and requests for reimbursement are in to date and for quarter ending September 30th, the invoice and report are underway to be submitted prior to November 30, 2021.

- g. Proposition 68 – Update on Implementation Grant: Executive Director reminded the Board that this grant is awarded to the Mid Kaweah GSA and focuses on DAC benefits and reviewed the two projects that we had that qualified – Lewis Creek Re-charge and the Mariposa Basin connection to Lindmore ID.

7. GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY PLAN IMPLEMENTATION:

- a. Advisory Committee Efforts: Director Ferrara reported on the most recent AC meetings in August and September were mostly informational and there was discussion regarding allocation methods and other methods of managing groundwater demand.

- b. Technical Advisory Committee Efforts: Klinchuch and Hagman reported on the most recent TAC meetings since the last Board meeting. Klinchuch noted the TAC has been looking at LandIQ results, grant work and the allocation work assigned by the Board.
- c. Subbasin Efforts: Hagman and Klinchuch provided an update on subbasin activities.
- d. GSP Implementation: Hagman and Klinchuch provided an update on Implementation.
- e. Update of Board of Directors Direction to Staff/Technical Advisory Committee:
 - 1. Allocation Methodology: Staff provided analysis developed by Provost and Pritchard in coordination with the TAC and the Executive Director identifying the remaining sustainable storage in the EKGSA. Also presented, was at the TAC recommendation of allocation of this remaining supply. The analysis of remaining groundwater and the allocation recommendation were requested by the Board. The TAC made recommendations for allocation of groundwater and associated policies on durability and transferability of the groundwater allocation

After some discussion the following action was taken:

Motion to approve the following policy matrix was made by Director Hornung, seconded by Director Burkett, and carried by the following vote:

Type	Durability				Transferability		
	Allowed	Duration in Years	Leave Behind	AMT	Transfer	Regulated by MA	Max Cap by MA Con
Native (Assessed Acreage)	Y	5	N	0.85	Y	N	Y
Plan Overdraft (Irrigated Acreage)	Y	5	N	0.30	Y	Y	Y
Transitional/Temporary (Irrigated Acreage)	Y	5	N	0.50	Y	Y	Y

AYES: Milanasio, Micari, Watson, Ferrara, Buldo, Ramirez, Burkett, Peltzer, Hornung, Caudillo.

NOES: George

ABSTAIN: Ramirez

ABSENT: None

- 8. **CLOSED SESSION:** Board went into closed session at 5:18 p.m. and after discussion, came out of closed session at 6:48 p.m. There was no reportable action.
- 9. **SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING:**

The Executive Director reported that the next regularly scheduled board meeting will be held on January 24, 2022 however the Board approved a Hearing date on

December 10th at 3:00 p.m. under item #7.a. After the meeting, the Chairman of the Board changed the meeting to December 3, 2021 at 3:00 p.m.

10. ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

Michael D. Hagman
Secretary, East Kaweah GSA

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

MINUTES FOR THE SPECIAL MEETING ON DECEMBER 3, 2021

The East Kaweah Groundwater Sustainability Agency (“EKGSA”) Board of Directors duly met for a Special meeting on Friday, December 3, 2021, via video/phone conference and in person – COVID -19 protocol.

OPEN SESSION: Convened at 3:05 p.m. with a quorum.

1. **DIRECTORS PRESENT:** Buldo, Burkett, Caudillo (remote), Ferrara, George, Hornung, Micari, Milanesio, Peltzer, Roberts, Watson

DIRECTORS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Michael Hagman, Executive Director; Joe Hughes, Legal Counsel; Matt Klinchuch, Consulting Engineer; Trilby Barton, Provost & Pritchard; Cruz Romero, Staff Engineer; 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 George, and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Buldo, Burkett, Caudillo (remote), Ferrara, George, Hornung, Micari, Milanesio, Peltzer, Roberts, Watson

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

3. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** Members of the public gave comments at this time.

4. **MINUTES:** Motion to adopt and ratify the minutes provided by the Secretary from the October 25, 2021, Regular Board Meeting with a correction to the vote on item #7.e.: Director George responded “nay”. With those changes, a motion was made by Director Ferrara, seconded by Director Micari, and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Buldo, Burkett, Caudillo (remote), Ferrara, George, Hornung, Micari, Milanesio, Peltzer, Watson

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: Roberts (wasn’t at the considered meeting)

ABSENT: None

5. **2022 MEETING SCHEDULE:** Motion to approve the 2022 EKGSA Regular Meeting Schedule was made by Director Micari, seconded by Director Hornung, and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Buldo, Burkett, Caudillo (remote), Ferrara, George, Hornung, Micari, Milanesio, Peltzer, Roberts, Watson

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

6. **RESOLUTION 2021-02:** Executive Director reviewed the Resolution 2021-02 to adopt the allocation of groundwater for EKGSA landowners. The resolution adopts the Board of Directors' action at the October 25, 2021 meeting approving the groundwater policy matrix. Motion to approve Resolution 2021-02 was made by Director George, seconded by Director Ferrara, and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Buldo, Burkett, Caudillo (remote), Ferrara, George, Hornung, Micari, Milanesio, Peltzer, Roberts, Watson

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

7. **HEARING:** The Executive Director reviewed the proposed FY2022 budget and answered questions from the Directors and public. After some discussion the following action was taken: Motion was made to adopt the proposed Fiscal Year 2022 Annual Budget by Director Hornung, seconded by Director Burkett, and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Buldo, Burkett, Caudillo (remote), Ferrara, George, Hornung, Micari, Milanesio, Peltzer, Roberts, Watson

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

8. **GROUNDWATER EXTRACTION RATE:** Executive Director reported that the EKGSA TAC wanted the Board to consider the options of fines and charges. After substantial discussion the Board renamed the allocations sources to "Native", "Tier 1 Penalty" and "Tier 2 Penalty". Each tier above "Native" could have a future fine to it. At this time the Board decided not to apply a penalty to "Tier 1 Penalty" and "Tier 2 Penalty" allocation sources.

After further discussion, Director George made a motion seconded by Director Peltzer to apply the full SGMA penalty to water in excess of the combined total of Native Allocation, Tier 1 Penalty and Tier 2 Penalty (1.65 AF for Allocation Year 2021/22) of \$500 per AF.

AYES: Buldo, Burkett, Caudillo (remote), Ferrara, George, Hornung, Micari, Milanesio, Peltzer, Roberts, Watson

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

9. **CLOSED SESSION:** Board went into closed session at 7:17 PM and after discussion, came out of closed session at 8:05 PM. There was no reportable action.

10. **SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING:**

The Executive Director reported that the next regularly scheduled board meeting will be held on January 24, 2022.

11. **ADJOURNMENT:**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 PM

Michael D. Hagman
Secretary, East Kaweah GSA

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

MINUTES FOR THE SPECIAL MEETING ON DECEMBER 20, 2021

The East Kaweah Groundwater Sustainability Agency (“EKGSA”) Board of Directors duly met for a Special meeting on Friday, December 20, 2021, via video/phone conference and in person – COVID -19 protocol.

OPEN SESSION: Convened at 3:00 p.m. with a quorum.

1. **DIRECTORS PRESENT:** In the Room: Brownfield, Burkett, and George / Remote Attendance: Buldo, Caudillo, Ferrara, Hornung, Micari (Arrived Remote at 3:23 PM), Peltzer, Roberts (Left at 3:34 PM) Watson.

DIRECTORS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Michael Hagman, Executive Director; Matt Klinchuch, Consulting Engineer; Cruz Romero, Staff Engineer; Kathy Bennett, Senior Analyst; and various members of the committees and public.

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

AYES: Brownfield, Burkett, George, Buldo, Caudillo, Ferrara, Hornung, Peltzer, Roberts, Watson.

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Micari

3. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** No public comment.

4. **CLOSED SESSION:** Board went into closed session at 3:05 p.m. and came out at 3:42 p.m. There was no reportable action. (Director Roberts left during Closed Session at 3:34 PM)

5. **CONSIDER FUNDING AMMENDMENT TO FY2022 EKGSA BUDGET:** The Executive Director reviewed the request from the EKGSA Board of Directors to hire administrative support for ongoing program implementation. Lindmore ID hired a Program Manager to fulfill that request. 95% of the position will be on EKGSA work and 5% Lindmore ID work. Hagman asked that the EKGSA Board approve paying Lindmore additional funds to cover the cost of this new employee and that more formal action would be taken at the January 24, 2022 Board meeting with regard to an amendment to the Adopted FY2022 Budget and a second addendum to the EKGSA/LID Shared Resources Agreement.

After considerable discussion, a motion to pay an additional \$145,000 to Lindmore ID for the Program Manager position was made by Director George, seconded by Director Buldo and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Brownfield, Burkett, George, Buldo, Caudillo, Ferrara, Hornung, Micari, Peltzer, Watson.

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Roberts

Executive Director Hagman reminded the Board that they will consider the formal action at the next full meeting of the Board.

6. **SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING:** The Executive Director reported that the next regularly scheduled board meeting will be held on January 24, 2022.
7. **ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting was adjourned at 3:57 p.m.

Michael D. Hagman
Secretary, East Kaweah GSA