

Stanislaus & Tuolumne Rivers Groundwater Basin Association Groundwater Sustainability Agency

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MEETING MINUTES

June 10, 2020 (1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.)

The meeting was called to order at 1:35 p.m.

1. Welcome and Introductions

The following members of the Stanislaus and Tuolumne Rivers Groundwater Basin Association Groundwater Sustainability Agency (STRGBA GSA) attended via Zoom:

Modesto Irrigation District (MID): John Davids
Oakdale Irrigation District (OID): Eric Thorburn
City of Modesto: Miguel Alvarez
Stanislaus County: Walt Ward

Other Attendees

Public: Liz Elliott, Todd Groundwater

Phyllis Stanin, Todd Groundwater

Chase Hurley, Water & Land Solutions Hilary Reinhard, Provost & Pritchard

Alexis Stevens, Somach, Simmons & Dunn

Melissa Williams, MID Kirsten Pringle, Stantec Khandriale Clark, Stantec

Gordon Enas, MID

Dave Orth Luis Uribe

2. Business from the Public

N/A

3. Approve 6/10/20 Minutes [Action item]

Thorburn moved, 2nd by Ward, to approve 6/10/20 meeting minutes. Motion carried.

4. GSP Budget and Schedule

Enas reported that Todd Groundwater has expended approximately 40% of the budget and 50% of the time scheduled through May 31, 2020.



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5. GSP Update

Stanin gave an update on the GSP. The administrative draft of Section 3 Basin Setting is ready for GSA review. The next task will be to develop current and projected water budgets as part of the Sustainable Management Criteria.

6. Public Outreach Update

Pringle summarized the first public workshop. Pringle is also preparing a summary document of questions received and a list of workshop attendees. The summary document will be included as an attachment to the GSP. The next public workshop is scheduled for Fall 2020.

7. Stakeholder Assessment Findings

Pringle presented a summary of findings from the Stakeholder Assessment Interviews. Pringle also mentioned that the next steps needed to encourage greater stakeholder involvement will include preparing a Communication and Engagement Plan, distributing a periodic newsletter, and developing a series of fact sheets explaining groundwater, SGMA and the GSP.

8. Monitoring Well Grant

Elliot provided an update on the DWR Prop 68 grant. City of Modesto (City) signed a contract with DWR for the grant funding. City also entered into a contract with Todd Groundwater for well design and construction. The contract scope includes installing up to 18 monitoring wells at 9 locations. The first task will be developing a map of proposed well locations for GSA approval.

9. Coordination with Eastern San Joaquin and Turlock GSA's

Member agencies summarized the coordination meetings with the Turlock and Eastern San Joaquin Subbasin GSA's. To further coordination between the subbasins, the GSA's will prepare a joint newsletter, share email lists, conduct joint Technical Advisory Committee meetings, develop combined fact sheets, and hold public "office hours".

10. Next meeting:

July 8, 2020 at 1:30 p.m. via Zoom webinar.

11. Items too late for the agenda

N/A