EAST KAWEAH GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY
REGULAR ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MINUTES FOR THE MEETING ON May 20, 2024

The East Kaweah Groundwater Sustainability Agency ("EKGSA") Advisory Committee duly met for their regular meeting on Monday, May 20, 2024.

OPEN Meeting: Quorum convened at 4:02 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Adrianna Becerra, Graham Burt (4:12pm), Nataly Escobedo Garcia, DeeDee Gruber, David Haas, Gregory Liebau, Alan Lombardi, Soapy Mulholland, Tien Tran (Quorum = 6 voting members)

MEMBERS ABSENT: Vito DeLeonardis

OTHERS PRESENT: Michael Hagman, Executive Director; Chris Hunter, Program Director; Kathryn Bennett, Senior Analyst; Matt Klinchuch, Stephen Humphrey, Intera, EKGSA Board member and members of the public.

1. **ROLL CALL AND INTRODUCTIONS:** Hagman conducted roll call and made introductions. He noted that the Board of Directors approved three new members to the Advisory Committee and welcomed: Adrianna Becerra, Nataly Escobedo Garcia and David Haas.

2. **APPROVE THE AGENDA**: The Staff and Committee had no changes or additions to the agenda. Motion to approve was made by Mulholland and seconded by Gruber.

   AYES: Adrianna Becerra, Nataly Escobedo Garcia, DeeDee Gruber, David Haas, Gregory Liebau, Alan Lombardi, Soapy Mulholland, Tien Tran

   NOES: None

   ABSTAIN: None

   ABSENT: Graham Burt, Vito DeLeonardis

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

4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Motion to approve Minutes for April 15, 2024, was made by Tran and seconded by Mulholland.

   AYES: Adrianna Becerra, Nataly Escobedo Garcia, DeeDee Gruber, David Haas, Gregory Liebau, Alan Lombardi, Soapy Mulholland, Tien Tran

   NOES: None

   ABSTAIN:

   ABSENT: Graham Burt, Vito DeLeonardis

5. EKGSA ACTIVITY REPORT

a. Technical Advisory Committee – Hagman reported that the TAC had made the recommendation to the Board to adopt the Kaweah Subbasin coordination on sustainable management criteria for the revised GSP. The technical team continues to work on subsidence in the western portion of the basin, and the comments from DWR deficiencies. In addition, the TAC is working through the Mitigation Plan.

b. Board of Directors – Hagman reported that the Board will be reviewing the 10x recommendation from TAC / AC.

6. KAWEAH SUB-BASIN ACTIVITY REPORT

a. Grant Updates – Hunter/Hagman/Klinchuch provided the committee with a brief update for each project within the DWR Implementation grants, and Hagman highlighted MLRP Flying Dragon project.

b. Subbasin Efforts – Klinchuch informed the committee that EKGSA has received a satisfactory submittal on the yearly update.

7. GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY PLAN IMPLEMENTATION

a. GSP determination

i. Deficiencies – Klinchuch walked through the presentation on the 2nd amended GSP revisions, in particular the definition of undesirable results, minimum thresholds, measurable objectives, subsidence, and mitigation. Hagman noted the importance of public input/participation and the scheduled Kaweah Subbasin joint Board meeting on May 30th.

ii. Mitigation – Hagan noted the mitigation program is on track for adoption in May/June of 2024.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Next meeting is Monday, June 17, 2024, at 4:00 PM.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:18 p.m.

Michael D. Hagman
Secretary, East Kaweah GSA