

Groundwater Sustainability Commission

Minutes (Approved)

April 18, 2018

The following members or alternates were present:

Adam Hill, Member, County of San Luis Obispo

Bob Schiebelhut, Member, EVGMWC

Dennis Fernandez, Member, ERMWC/VRMWC

Mark Zimmer, Member, GSWC

Andy Pease, Member, City of San Luis Obispo

1. Call to Order	City Staff, Aaron Floyd, calls the meeting to order at 3:04 PM																														
2. Roll Call	City Staff, Aaron Floyd, calls roll.																														
3. Pledge of Allegiance	City Staff, Aaron Floyd leads the Pledge of Allegiance.																														
4. Introductions and Appointment of Officers	City Staff, Aaron Floyd: Introduces Commission Members, Alternate Commission Members and County Staff.																														
	Commission Members discuss appointments of Chairperson and Vice Chairperson.																														
	Motion By: Adam Hill																														
	Second By: Dennis Fernandez																														
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5. Public Comment – Items not on Agenda	<p>Chairperson Schiebelhut: opens the floor for public comment on items not on the Agenda.</p> <p>Lee Knudtson: introduces himself and describes the business that he represents (Wellntel).</p>																														
6. Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA)	<p>County Staff, Carolyn Berg: provides a PowerPoint presentation on the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) and provides an overview on key topics related to SGMA.</p> <p>Chairperson Schiebelhut: opens the floor for public comment</p> <p>Meeting attendee (name unknown): speaks.</p>																														

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	<p>County Staff, Carolyn Berg: Responds to the public question regarding basin boundary modifications to the Los Osos Basin; states the County has until June 30 to submit request to modify boundaries, but not being considered for SLO basin.</p>
<p>7. Overview “Memorandum of Agreement Regarding Preparation of a Groundwater Sustainability Plan for the San Luis Obispo Valley Groundwater Basin”</p>	<p>City Staff, Aaron Floyd: provides a PowerPoint presentation and an overview of the “Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) Regarding Preparation of a Groundwater Sustainability Plan for the San Luis Obispo Valley Groundwater Basin” (SLO Basin), addressing key elements and roles defined in the MOA.</p> <p>Commission Member, Dennis Fernandez: asks if the Commission will still exist once the GSP is submitted.</p> <p>County Staff, Carolyn Berg: states that the Commission would still exist until the State approves the GSP; the GSP will define what governance structure makes the most sense for GSP implementation.</p> <p>Commission Member, Andy Pease: what is the timing of budgets?</p> <p>County Staff, Carolyn Berg: participating parties have provided their defined share this year’s annual portion of administration costs; City and County have budgeted for next year’s costs; the budget will be a discussion on a future agenda.</p> <p>Chairperson Schiebelhut: opens the floor for public comment</p> <p>Alternate Member, Toby Moore: asks if there is an intention for consultant services to come back to the Commission and what the Commission’s role will be in regard to choosing consultants and Scope of Work; asks if Alternates can participate in the consultant selection process.</p> <p>County Staff, Carolyn Berg: states that under MOA, the County is the SLO Basin’s contracting agent; City and County staff and one designated Commission member participate in reviewing scope of work and request for proposal (RFP)/ selection process; the scope of work will come back to Commission; responds that designated member or alternate could participate in the selection process.</p>
<p>8. Groundwater Sustainability Commission Conflict of Interest Code</p>	<p>County Staff, Carolyn Berg: provides an overview of conflict of interest codes and the various legal requirements under government code; states the importance of having decision making bodies adopt conflict of interest codes and disclose financial interests within the jurisdiction that they are representing; all staff involved will be required to disclose their financial interests through the Form 700;</p>

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	<p>once the Commission approves the resolution, it will be sent the County Board (as the official code reviewing body) for final approval.</p> <p>Vice Chairperson, Mark Zimmer: asks about Form 700 filing deadline.</p> <p>Alternate Member, Toby Moore: asks what the “date of assuming office” is for the Form 700.</p> <p>County Staff, Carolyn Berg: will seek clarification and bring back to Commission.</p> <p>Motion By: Adam Hill Second By: Mark Zimmer Motion: The Commission moves to adopt the Conflict of Interest Code Resolution.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="578 852 1489 1083"> <thead> <tr> <th>Members</th> <th>Ayes</th> <th>Noes</th> <th>Abstain</th> <th>Recuse</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Bob Schiebelhut (Chairperson)</td> <td>X</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Mark Zimmer (Vice Chairperson)</td> <td>X</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Dennis Fernandez (Member)</td> <td>X</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Adam Hill (Member)</td> <td>X</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Andy Pease (Member)</td> <td>X</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Members	Ayes	Noes	Abstain	Recuse	Bob Schiebelhut (Chairperson)	X				Mark Zimmer (Vice Chairperson)	X				Dennis Fernandez (Member)	X				Adam Hill (Member)	X				Andy Pease (Member)	X			
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<p>9. Overview of Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) Scope, State Grant Funding Award, and Consultant Selection Process</p>	<p>County Staff, Carolyn Berg: presents an outline of the initial scope of work and main tasks necessary to complete a GSP for the SLO Basin; discusses requirements of awarded grant funding from the California Department of Water Resources (DWR) and provides an overview of the GSP contracting and development milestones/timing.</p> <p>Commission Member, Dennis Fernandez: asks if a time table has been developed to achieve certain tasks within the work scope.</p> <p>County Staff, Carolyn Berg: responds that County developed conceptual budgets, schedules, and scope of work for the grant application; once hired, the consultant will define a detailed schedule and seek Commission input.</p> <p>Commission Member, Andy Pease: asks where other basins are in the GSP process, if there is any opportunity for coordination, and if the entire state competing for these few firms.</p> <p>County Staff, Carolyn Berg: responds that coordination opportunities will be available through data management and land use agency interaction; states that many of the same consulting firms</p>																														

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may be interested; staff will be mindful of consultant teams' capacity to take on a new GSP.

Commission Member, Andy Pease: asks if the SLO Basin Characterization Study shows areas where more data is needed and if monitoring wells may be needed moving forward.

County Staff, Carolyn Berg: responds that one new designated monitoring well has been installed in Edna Valley and that other areas may be considered.

Commission Member, Andy Pease: asks if we are using the State-defined (or some other geologically-defined) SLO Basin boundary; states the importance of knowing in regards to property ownership.

County Staff, Carolyn Berg: states that there will be an opportunity for basin boundary modifications in 2020; will use State-defined boundary while developing technical support for potential future boundary modifications.

Vice Chairperson, Mark Zimmer: asks for clarification on GSP completion and when RFP will be ready for review.

County Staff, Carolyn Berg: responds that GSP must be adopted and submitted by January 2022; draft scope of work will be brought back to Commission.

Chairperson Schiebelhut: asks if the full \$850k for data management come from the State Grant Award.

County Staff, Carolyn Berg: confirms that \$850k will come from the state and that City/County will contribute partial funds for the 50% cost share.

Chairperson Schiebelhut: asks what needs to be filed with the State by mid-summer.

County Staff, Carolyn Berg: responds that the scope of work, at a minimum should be defined to finalize grant agreement.

Chairperson Schiebelhut: opens the floor for public comment

Alternate Member, Toby Moore: asks if GSI study is finalized and can be posted online; recommends initial GSP notification be developed to submit to DWR.

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	<p>Commission discusses an Alternate Member being nominated for a Consultant Selection Committee and agrees that Toby Moore would be an excellent candidate for the process.</p> <p>Motion By: Andy Pease Second By: Adam Hill Motion: The Commission moves to nominate Toby Moore as a member of the Consultant Selection Committee, with Mark Zimmer as the alternate.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="578 562 1489 789"> <thead> <tr> <th>Members</th> <th>Ayes</th> <th>Noes</th> <th>Abstain</th> <th>Recuse</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Bob Schiebelhut (Chairperson)</td> <td>X</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Mark Zimmer (Vice Chairperson)</td> <td>X</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Dennis Fernandez (Member)</td> <td>X</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Adam Hill (Member)</td> <td>X</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Andy Pease (Member)</td> <td>X</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Members	Ayes	Noes	Abstain	Recuse	Bob Schiebelhut (Chairperson)	X				Mark Zimmer (Vice Chairperson)	X				Dennis Fernandez (Member)	X				Adam Hill (Member)	X				Andy Pease (Member)	X			
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<p>10. Establish Regular Groundwater Sustainability Commission Meeting Schedule</p>	<p>The Commission discusses establishing a regular GSC Meeting Schedule and decides on at least quarterly meetings, with more frequent meetings as needed.</p> <p>Motion By: Dennis Fernandez Second By: Mark Zimmer Motion: The Commission moves to have the next meeting on Wednesday June 13, 2018, 3:30-5:30 PM and quarterly on the 2nd Wednesday at 3:30 PM thereafter.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="578 1167 1489 1394"> <thead> <tr> <th>Members</th> <th>Ayes</th> <th>Noes</th> <th>Abstain</th> <th>Recuse</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Bob Schiebelhut (Chairperson)</td> <td>X</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Mark Zimmer (Vice Chairperson)</td> <td>X</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Dennis Fernandez (Member)</td> <td>X</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Adam Hill (Member)</td> <td>X</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Andy Pease (Member)</td> <td>X</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Members	Ayes	Noes	Abstain	Recuse	Bob Schiebelhut (Chairperson)	X				Mark Zimmer (Vice Chairperson)	X				Dennis Fernandez (Member)	X				Adam Hill (Member)	X				Andy Pease (Member)	X			
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<p>11. Future Items</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consultation Selection Process • Notification to DWR to develop GSP • Geophysics Pilot Study – Cal Poly • Development of a Stakeholder Engagement Plan 																														
<p>12. Adjourn</p>	<p>Motion By: Adam Hill Second By: Andy Pease Motion: The Commission moves to adjourn the meeting at 4:39 PM</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="578 1780 1489 1892"> <thead> <tr> <th>Members</th> <th>Ayes</th> <th>Noes</th> <th>Abstain</th> <th>Recuse</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Bob Schiebelhut (Chairperson)</td> <td>X</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Mark Zimmer (Vice Chairperson)</td> <td>X</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Members	Ayes	Noes	Abstain	Recuse	Bob Schiebelhut (Chairperson)	X				Mark Zimmer (Vice Chairperson)	X																		
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