ATASCADERO BASIN

Groundwater Sustainability Agency

Executive Committee Meeting Agenda

Meeting Date: Wednesday, March 9, 2022

Meeting Time: 4:30 p.m.

Meeting Location: Templeton CSD Board Meeting Room 206 5th Street Templeton, California 93465

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Roll Call
- 3. Pledge of Allegiance
- 4. Order of Business Executive Committee members may request to change the order of business.

5. Introductions

6. General Public Comments

The Executive Committee invites members of the public to address the committee on any subject that is within the purview of the committee and that is not on today's agenda. Comments shall be limited to three minutes.

7. Consent Agenda

The following items are considered routine and non-controversial by staff and may be approved by one motion if no member of the Executive Committee wishes an item removed. If discussion is desired, the item may be removed from the Consent Agenda by an Executive Committee member and will be considered separately. Questions or clarification may be made by the Executive Committee members without removal from the Consent Agenda. Individual items on the Consent Agenda are approved by the same vote that approves the Consent Agenda unless an item is pulled for separate consideration. Members of the public may comment on the Consent Agenda items.

- a. Minutes January 19, 2022
- 8. Old Business:
- 9. New Business:
 - a. Adopt Annual Report to DWR
 - b. Request for Future Items
 - c. Next Meeting: to be determined
- 10. Informational Items
- 11. Adjournment



Executive Committee Meeting Minutes from Wednesday, January 19, 2022

The Executive Committee (Committee) of the Atascadero Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency (GSA) held a meeting via teleconference on Wednesday, January 19, 2022, at 4:30 p.m.

<u>Roll Call:</u> Chairperson Grigger Jones called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. Present at the Committee meeting were Voting Members Jones, Navid Fardanesh, Susan Funk, Debbie Arnold, John Hamon. A quorum (minimum of 4 voting representatives) of the Committee was established. Voting Member Rob Rossi and Non-voting Member Tom Mora were absent.

Meeting Attendees:

Atascadero Mutual Water Company – John Neil County of San Luis Obispo – Angela Ford Templeton Community Services District – Jeff Briltz GEI Consultants – Michael Cornelius GSI Water Solutions – Paul Sorensen GSI Water Solutions – Nate Page

<u>Remote Meeting Resolution</u>: Chairperson Jones introduced a Resolution No. 2022-01 authorizing the Executive Committee to continue the use of remote teleconferencing for Executive Committee meetings for the next 30 days.

A motion was made by Member Funk to adopt Resolution No. 2022-01 authorizing the Executive Committee to continue the use of remote teleconferencing for Executive Committee meetings for the next 30 days, seconded by Member Hamon. Voice vote of Voting Members: Ayes – Jones, Fardanesh, Funk, Arnold, Hamon. Nays – none. Motion carried.

<u>Order of Business</u>: The Committee Members reviewed the order of the meeting's agenda and confirmed to conduct the meeting as presented in the agenda.

Introductions: None

<u>General Public Comments</u>: Chairperson Jones opened public comment and, seeing none, closed public comment.

Consent Agenda:

<u>Agenda 8.a:</u> November 3, 2021, Meeting Minutes – The Committee reviewed the minutes from the November 3, 2021, meeting.

A motion was made by Member Funk to approve the minutes, seconded by Member Fardanesh. Voice vote of Voting Members: Ayes – Jones, Fardanesh, Funk, Arnold, Hamon. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Old Business Agenda: (None)

New Business Agenda:

<u>Agenda 10.a: Appointment of Officers</u> – The Committee elected members to serve as Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary, and Treasurer for 2022.

A motion was made by Member Funk to elect Member Jones as Chair for 2022, seconded by Member Hamon. Voice vote of Voting Members: Ayes – Jones, Fardanesh, Funk, Arnold, Hamon. Nays – none. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Member Arnold to elect Member Hamon as Vice Chair for 2022, seconded by Member Hamon. Voice vote of Voting Members: Ayes – Jones, Fardanesh, Funk, Arnold, Hamon. Nays – none. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Member Jones to elect Member Rossi as Secretary for 2022, seconded by Member Arnold. Voice vote of Voting Members: Ayes – Jones, Fardanesh, Funk, Arnold, Hamon. Nays – none. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Member Hamon to defer election of a Treasurer for 2022 due to the GSA not having any assets or liabilities at this time, seconded by Member Funk. Voice vote of Voting Members: Ayes – Jones, Fardanesh, Funk, Arnold, Hamon. Nays – none. Motion carried.

<u>Agenda 10.b: GSP Draft Resolution of Adoption</u> – GSA staff member Neil introduced the item. Michael Cornelius of GEI provided the Committee with an overview of the work that went into preparing the final draft of the GSP including a summary of the costs associated with GSP preparation. A resolution was presented to the Committee to approve the GSP for the Atascadero Basin and authorize its filing with the California Department of Water Resources.

A motion was made by Member Hamon to adopt Resolution 2022-02 approving the GSP and authorizing its filing with the California Department of Water Resources, seconded by Member Arnold. Roll-call vote of Voting Members: Fardanesh - AYE, Funk - AYE, Arnold - AYE, Hamon – AYE, Jones - AYE. Nays – none. Motion carried.

<u>Agenda 10.c: Amendment to Appendix A of the GSA Conflict of Interest Code</u> – GSA staff member Ford introduced the item. She informed the Committee that the amendment to the GSA conflict of interest code was needed to add the newly created County of San Luis Obispo Groundwater Sustainability Director position to the designated position list.

A motion was made by Member Fardanesh to adopt Resolution No. 2022-03 amending the Atascadero Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency conflict of interest code, seconded by Member Funk. Voice vote of Voting Members: Ayes – Jones, Fardanesh, Funk, Arnold, Hamon. Nays – none. Motion carried. <u>Agenda 10.d: Request for Future Items</u> – The Committee did not offer any suggestions for future agenda items.

Agenda 10.e: Next Meeting: March 9, 2022, at 4:30 p.m.

Informational Items:

<u>Agenda 11.a: DWR Prop 1 Grant Progress Report, Q4 2021</u> – The Committee received the progress report.

Adjournment:

There being no further business to discuss, Chairperson Jones adjourned the meeting at 4:57 p.m.

Navid Fardanesh, Acting Secretary

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Groundwater Sustainability Agency

TO: Executive Committee

FROM: GSA Staff/ John Neil, Atascadero Mutual Water Company

DATE: March 9, 2022

SUBJECT: Agenda Item 9.a, Annual Report Approval

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Adopt Resolution 2022-04 approving the Atascadero Basin Groundwater Sustainability Plan Annual Report and authorize staff to submit the report to the Department of Water Resources.

DISCUSSION:

Groundwater Sustainability Agencies (GSAs) are required to prepare annual reports before April 1 of each year following submittal of their Groundwater Sustainability Plans (GSPs) to the Department of Water Resources (DWR). The DWR will be reviewing annual reports and GSPs to ensure that they are in conformance with Sustainable Groundwater Management Act, regulations, and likely to achieve the sustainability goal of the basin.

The annual report includes data and information used in the development of the GSP updated to reflect the most recent hydrologic data, and maps representing current conditions with narrative describing the progress made toward implementing the GSP.

On February 15, 2022, a public draft of the annual report for the water year ending September 30, 2021, was made available on the Atascadero Basin communication portal (<u>https://portal.atascaderobasin.com/</u>) for a 15-day public review and comment period. An email notice was sent to interested parties who have registered on the portal.

The annual report concludes, in general, that the groundwater elevations observed in the Basin during water years (WYs) 2017 through 2021 are stable in both the Alluvial Aquifer and Paso Robles Formation Aquifer. Positive and negative changes in groundwater elevations from year to year are observed in response to climatic variability and changes in pumping, but water levels at all representative monitoring site locations were maintained above minimum thresholds. The Alluvial Aquifer continues to show an ability to recharge rapidly after significant rainfall.

ATTACHMENTS:

- A. Resolution 2022-04
- B. Annual Report for the Groundwater Sustainability Plan for the Atascadero Basin (via weblink <u>https://portal.atascaderobasin.com/</u>)

RESOLUTION 2022-04

APPROVING THE ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILTIY PLAN FOR THE ATASCADERO BASIN, AND AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING ITS FILING WITH THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES

WHEREAS in August 2014, the California Legislature passed, and in September 2014 the Governor signed, legislation creating the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act ("SGMA") "to provide local groundwater sustainability agencies with the authority and technical and financial assistance necessary to sustainably manage groundwater" (Wat. Code, § 10720, (d)); and

WHEREAS SGMA requires sustainable management through the development of groundwater sustainability plans ("GSPs"), which can be a single plan developed by one or more groundwater sustainability agency ("GSA") or multiple coordinated plans within a basin or subbasin (Wat. Code, § 10727); and

WHEREAS the Atascadero Basin GSA Executive Committee approved submittal of a GSP for the Atascadero Basin (3-004.11 Salinas Valley Atascadero Area) to the Department of Water Resourced (DWR) on January 19, 2022; and

WHEREAS the Atascadero Basin GSA submitted the GSP for the Atascadero Basin to the DWR on January 30, 2022; and

WHEREAS GSAs are required to prepare annual reports before April 1 of each year following submittal of their GSP to the DWR; and

WHEREAS a public draft of the annual report for the water year ending September 30, 2021, was made available for review and comment on the Atascadero Basin communication portal (<u>https://portal.atascaderobasin.com/</u>) for a 15-day public review on February 15, 2022; and

WHEREAS an email was sent to all interested parties who have registered on the communications portal notifying them that the annual report was available for review and comment on February 15, 2022.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Executive Committee of the Atascadero Basin GSA hereby approves and authorizes the filing of the Atascadero Basin Groundwater Sustainability Plan Annual Report for the water year ending September 30, 2021, with the California Department of Water Resources. PASSED AND ADOPTED at a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Atascadero Basin GSA on March 9, 2022, by the following vote:

AYES: NOES: ABSENT: ABSTAIN:

(signature)

(printed name)

(title)

Secretary's Certification

I, Rob Rossi, Secretary of the Atascadero Basin GSA Executive Committee, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution is a true and correct copy entered into the Minutes of the Meeting of March 9, 2022, at which time a quorum was present, and no motion to amend or rescind the above resolution was made.

(signature)

(printed name)

(title)