

PASO ROBLES GROUNDWATER BASIN ADVISORY COMMITTEE:
TEMPLETON COMMUNITY CENTER

December 18, 2014
Meeting Minutes

An audio recording of the meeting and materials submitted during public comment are available online at www.PasoBasin.org

Approximately 2:00 pm the meeting is called to order

1. Introductions and determination of a Quorum- Quorum established.
2. Approve November Meeting Minutes- The November 20, 2014, Paso Robles Groundwater Basin Advisory Committee was reviewed. One amendment was made to correct the spelling of Alternate Member Jaime Hendrickson's name in part e. Member Luft moves to approve the November meeting minutes, as amended, with a second by Alternate Member Cunha (19-0-1-4).
3. Subcommittee Reports/ Recommended PBAC Actions-
 - a. Computer Model Update- Subcommittee Chair Sue Luft requests that the Committee submit a letter advising the Board of Supervisors to support recommendations for model refinement and additional model runs. Discussion ensues regarding stabilization of sub- basins and supplemental water supply availability. Member Wilmore motions to approve the subcommittees request with a second by Member Christianson. Committee voted unanimously (20-0-0-4). Discussion ensues regarding inflow calculations and basin watershed boundaries as provided by the consultant.
 - b. Conservation- Subcommittee Chair Devin Best reports the subcommittee will meet on January 8, 2014, and will have recommendations for the Committee shortly thereafter.
 - c. In-Basin Projects- Subcommittee Chair Larry Werner mentioned that the subcommittee did not meet in December and the next meeting is scheduled for January 7, 2014.
 - d. Management- Subcommittee Chair Christine Halley states that the subcommittee met on December 1, 2014. The subcommittee reviewed the assignment of power with respect to the LAFCO guidelines as well as LAFCO's role on the proposed Water District. The subcommittee also discussed the formation of Groundwater Sustainability Agencies (GSA) and what is necessary for all of the agencies across the basin to work together. Bulletin 118 basin boundaries and model boundaries were also a topic of discussion, specifically, which boundaries will be used to

determine GSA's. The next subcommittee meeting will be at 9:00 am on January 12, 2014 at the Paso Robles City Council Chambers; Ms. Halley asks the meeting be publically noticed. Discussion ensues on Proposition 1 grant money available, grant applications and a determination of an applicant.

- e. Outreach and Education- Subcommittee Chair Jaime Hendrickson announced the subcommittee met on November 24, 2014. The next subcommittee meeting is scheduled for January 5, 2014. Ms. Howard, Public Works Staff, notes that after consulting with County Counsel, Public Works determined it was not appropriate to fund the subcommittees outreach efforts. The decision was made due to Staff proceeding with the LAFCO application for a water district under the direction of the Board of Supervisors. Discussion ensues on the charge of the Subcommittee. The Subcommittee will take on a "review and advise" role due to the lack of funding.
 - f. Supply Options- Subcommittee Chair Jeff Briltz reports that the subcommittee has not met since their last meeting. The subcommittee is awaiting the release of draft Technical Memorandums from County Staff, the Tech Memos will subsequently be reviewed and the Committee will then be advised.
4. Update on Paso Robles Water and Wastewater Treatment Plant Projects- Matt Thompson, City of Paso Robles Public Works Department Environmental Engineer, gave a presentation on the city's water treatment plant, waste water treatment plant upgrades, and the recycled water initiative. Discussion ensues on water quality of recycled water. Mr. Thompson reports the preliminary design will be completed in the spring. The production of recycled water is estimated to cost \$10M- \$13M. The recycled water facility, projected to be completed in 3-4 years, will be located north of Highway 46 near the east interchange with Highway 101. Discussion arises regarding the salinity of water that will be placed back into the basin and hardness of Nacimiento water. The Committee discussed the introduction of supplemental water at different locations throughout the city.
 5. Update on Nacimiento Pipeline Repair- Ms. Howard, Public Works Staff, informs the Committee the Nacimiento pipeline repair is on schedule. Ms. Howard announced the Board of Supervisors authorization to proceed with the pipeline repair. Member John Neil, Atascadero Mutual Water Company, stated the goal is to have the pipeline available for use by April 1, 2015; Paso Robles successively will commission their water treatment plant. Nacimiento pipeline repair includes a 26" diameter high density polyethylene pipe to be inserted into the existing 30" steel pipe, in which the existing pipe will act as a sleeve. The new pipe will decrease capacity by about 14%, however, availability of the pipeline is more critical than a reduction in capacity. The County will be looking to expedite the bidding process. The cause of failure is being investigated.
 6. Public Comment- Resident Cindy Steinbeck speaks to the quiet title claim filed by her family and several other landowners overlying the Paso Basin and recent associated court action, as well as overlying landowner water rights, basin management and the potential

role of adjudication. Various Committee members speak to the expense and long time frames for adjudication proceedings and the need to focus on actions that provide additional water and/or offset demand for the benefit of the Paso Basin.

7. Future meeting topics/committee comments- Near- term topics include potential new uses of Lake Nacimiento water in the Basin, development of catchment basins for storm water, and Nacimiento/ Salinas contracts along with reservoir updates. Other recommendations include details on the City of San Luis Obispo water rights license; an update to the computer model including watershed area that drains to the lakes; and a time frame and a more detailed presentation on Proposition 1 money available. Water waste ordinance, update on exportation of water ordinance, and the possible development of a more robust annual monitoring and reporting program are all proposed topics.
8. Adjourn- Meeting adjourned approximately 4:00 pm.

The Paso Robles Advisory Committee approved these minutes on January 22, 2015.

/s/ Courtney Howard

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