

Groundwater Sustainability Commission
Regular Meeting Minutes (Approved)
June 21, 2021

The following members were present:

- Bob Schiebelhut**, Chair, EVGMWC
- Mark Zimmer**, Vice Chair, GSWC
- Dennis Fernandez**, Member, ERMWC/VRMWC
- Dawn Ortiz-Legg**, Member, County of San Luis Obispo
- Andy Pease**, Member, City of San Luis Obispo

1. Call to Order	Chair Schiebelhut: calls the meeting to order at 3:00 PM.																									
2. Roll Call	City Staff, Mychal Boerman: calls roll.																									
3. Pledge of Allegiance	Chair Schiebelhut: leads the Pledge of Allegiance.																									
4. Public Comment – Items not on Agenda	Chair Schiebelhut: opens the floor for public comment. None																									
5. Approval of Meeting Minutes: • May 20, 2021	<p>Chair Schiebelhut: opens discussion for Agenda Item 5 - Approval of Meeting Minutes for the May 20, 2021, Groundwater Sustainability Commission meeting and asks for comments from the Commission; there are none.</p> <p>Motion By: Member Pease Second By: Member Fernandez Motion: The Commission moves to approve the May 20, 2021, meeting minutes.</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="text-align: left;">Members</th> <th style="text-align: center;">Ayes</th> <th style="text-align: center;">Noes</th> <th style="text-align: center;">Abstain</th> <th style="text-align: center;">Recuse</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Bob Schiebelhut (Chair)</td> <td style="text-align: center;">X</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Toby Moore (Vice Chair)</td> <td style="text-align: center;">X</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Andy Pease (Member)</td> <td style="text-align: center;">X</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Dennis Fernandez (Member)</td> <td style="text-align: center;">X</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Members	Ayes	Noes	Abstain	Recuse	Bob Schiebelhut (Chair)	X				Toby Moore (Vice Chair)	X				Andy Pease (Member)	X				Dennis Fernandez (Member)	X			
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6. Response to Comments on GSP Chapter 8 – Sustainable Management Criteria	<p>County Staff, Dick Tzou and GSP Consultant Team, Dave O'Rourke present on response to comments on received on GSP Chapter 8 – Sustainable Management Criteria:</p> <p>Discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Received a comment from National Marine Fisheries Services (NMFS). Attached to agenda packet. • Dave O'Rourke reviewed NMFS questions/comments and planned responses. • The Stillwater Technical Memorandum will be released for review at this meeting and will summarize the hydrologic information relative to Groundwater Dependent Ecosystems based on mapping data provided by DWR. 																									

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Technical Memorandum was previously referenced in Chapter 7 – Monitoring Network and will be an appendix to the GSP. There will be a 30 day comment review period and it will be released in the compiled GSP public draft where and an additional public comment period will be opened. • As shown in Chapter 7, proposing up to 5 new stream gauges and monitoring wells. <p>Chair Schiebelhut opens the floor for public comment, there are none.</p>																														
<p>7. Draft GSP Chapter 9 and 10: Projects and Management Actions and Implementation Plan and Draft Technical Memorandum on Groundwater Dependent Ecosystem (GDE) for Review and Comment</p>	<p>GSP Consultant Team, Michael Cruickshank and Dan Heimel present on the following topics:</p> <p>Chapter 9 - Projects and Management Actions Chapter Organization</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Management Actions • Demand Management Plan • Adaptive Management • SWP: 4 state water projects highlighted in map • Other Projects highlighted • Projects are described in detail in the chapter • Model Results from combined projects shared • Metering of de minimis wells <p>Chapter 10 – Implementation Chapter Organization</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Implementation Outline • Implementation Schedule • Implementation Costs 2022 - 2027 – developing a fee study will be one of the first implementation steps to determine cost sharing. • Next Steps <p>County Staff, Dick Tzou: proposes to reschedule the August 11, 2021, meeting to August 18, 2021.</p> <p>Motion By: Chair Schiebelhut Second By: Member Ortiz-Legg Motion: The Commission moves to reschedule the August 11, 2021, GSC meeting to August 18, 2021.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="540 1598 1495 1829"> <thead> <tr> <th>Members</th> <th>Ayes</th> <th>Noes</th> <th>Abstain</th> <th>Recuse</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Bob Schiebelhut (Chair)</td> <td>X</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Mark Zimmer (Vice Chair)</td> <td>X</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Dawn Ortiz-Legg (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> <tr> <td>Dennis Fernandez (Member)</td> <td>X</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Members	Ayes	Noes	Abstain	Recuse	Bob Schiebelhut (Chair)	X				Mark Zimmer (Vice Chair)	X				Dawn Ortiz-Legg (Member)	X				Andy Pease (Member)	X				Dennis Fernandez (Member)	X			
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Recommendation: GSAs to Receive and File Chapter 9 - Projects and Management Actions and Chapter 10 - Implementation Plan and GDE Technical Memorandum.

Chair Schiebelhut opens the floor for public comment:

Keith Watkins: speaks.

Member Pease: comments that it would be appropriate to understand utilization of recycled water in the winter and agrees that clarifications can be made.

Discussion:

- Fee study – Costs to be distributed proportionally to beneficiaries (including administrative costs and studies). Fee study should determine cost study, not outlined in chapter. Fee study will cover not only projects, but whole administrative process as well.
- Turf grass will be addressed as part of the non de minimis users and in demand management plan. Clarifying language will be added to define turf grass as a non-crop prior to release of draft chapters.
- Determination on prescribed water use would come as part of a management action taken in the first year or so as part of the metering program, so that there is a reliance on metered data vs. estimated data.
- Limitations on the use of the City’s recycled water as it pertains to crops or irrigation; permit may have to be modified with the Regional Board and studies would have to take place for agronomic applications. Possible for use with direct application but not directly to a recharge basin.
- Text will be added to table 9.2 to explain weighting factors at top of spreadsheet.
- Righetti Dam is not listed as a project due to water rights issues. Several things in their permit would need to be updated. Mentioned in Chapter 5 that if more water were to be released, it would be beneficial to the basin, but not considered a project.

Motion By: Member Pease

Second By: Chair Schieblehut

Motion: The Commission moves that Draft Chapters 9 – Projects and Management Actions and Chapter 10 – Implementation Plan and GDE Technical Memorandum be received and filed by the GSAs and released for public comment.

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8. Future Items	GSC Meeting Rescheduled to August 18, 2021 Admin Draft of the complete GSP				
9. Next Meeting	August 18, 2021, at 3:30 p.m. via Zoom				
10. Adjourn	The Commission adjourns the meeting at 4:07 p.m.				

DRAFTED BY: City and County Staff