

North Fork Kings Groundwater Sustainability Agency Regular Meeting and Workshop Minutes

June 27, 2018 at 5:30 p.m.
Riverdale Memorial Hall

Members Present:

Frank Zonneveld, Division 2
Carol Hall, Division 3
Mark McKean, Division 4
Leonard Acquistapace, Division 5
Stephen Maddox Jr., Division 6
Tony Campos, Division 7

Members Absent:

Division 1

Others Present:

Cristel Tufenkjian, Kings River Conservation District
Eric Osterling, Kings River Conservation District
Brian Trevarrow, Kings River Conservation District
Scott Sills, Laguna Irrigation District

Regular Meeting

Item 1:	<u>CALL TO ORDER</u>	Presenter:	Chair McKean
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The meeting was called to order at 5:34 p.m.

Item 2:	<u>PUBLIC COMMENT</u>	Presenter:	Chair McKean
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Discussion:

Public members Jim Verboon provided the following written comments, dated June 27, 2018, for the Board's consideration:

- "Things to consider adopting for the NFKGSA soon.
- # Stop allowing exportation of surface and groundwater from the GSA.
 - # Stop upstream Diversions reducing Kings River flows through our GSA.
 - # Restrict multi-strada well construction, allowing shallow water to migrate and blend with deeper confined aquifers in the GSA."

Actions: None.

Item 3:	<u>CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MINUTES</u>	Presenter:	Chair McKean
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Discussion: None.

Actions:

Motion by Director Zonneveld, seconded by Director Acquistapace and it was unanimously carried to approve the April 25, 2018 Regular Meeting Minutes and May 9, 2018 Public Meeting Minutes, as presented.

(AYES: Frank Zonneveld, Carol Hall, Mark McKean, Leonard Acquistapace, Stephen Maddox Jr., Tony Campos;
NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Division 1)

Item 4: DIRECTOR REPORTS **Presenter:** Chair McKean

Discussion: None.

Actions: None.

Item 5: STAFF REPORTS **Presenter:** Eric Osterling

Discussion:

Program Administrator Eric Osterling reported he was on vacation for most of the month of May but did attend several meetings in June. Meetings he reported on include; June 15th NFKGSA Technical Working Group as well as a Kings Basin Technical Coordination meeting, June 13th he met with a representative of The Nature Conservancy regarding a new Groundwater Dependent Ecosystems (GDEs) evaluation tool they have developed, and on June 6th he and other local GSA managers met with an Australian economist named Mike Young to hear his proposal for water markets in SGMA implementation.

Actions: None.

Item 6: RECOMMENDATION TO ADOPT THE KINGS BASIN **Presenter:** Eric Osterling
INTEGRATED REGIONAL WATER MANAGEMENT PLAN
(IRWMP)

Discussion:

Osterling introduced agenda items 6, 7, and 8 as requirements for joining the Upper Kings Basin Integration Regional Water Management Authority (aka Kings Basin Water Authority). Osterling explained the purpose of the KBWA, which is to receive funding. In order to receive funding through the IRWM program, members must adopt agenda items 6-8, and place projects on the IRWM's projects list.

Actions:

Motion by Director Zonneveld, seconded by Director Campos and it was unanimously carried to adopt the Kings Basin Integrated Regional Water Management Plan.

(AYES: Frank Zonneveld, Carol Hall, Mark McKean, Leonard Acquistapace, Stephen Maddox Jr., Tony Campos;
NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Division 1)

Item 7: RECOMMENDATION TO BECOME AN INTERESTED PARTY **Presenter:** Eric Osterling
OF THE KINGS BASIN WATER AUTHORITY (KBWA)

Discussion:

Osterling distinguished between the members and interested parties within the KBWA, the rationale for the distinction and stated that there is no cost involved to join the KBWA as an interested party.

Actions:

Motion by Director Acquistapace, seconded by Director Maddox and it was unanimously carried for the North Fork Kings GSA to become an interested party member of the Kings Basin Water Authority.

(AYES: Frank Zonneveld, Carol Hall, Mark McKean, Leonard Acquistapace, Stephen Maddox Jr., Tony Campos;
NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Division 1)

Staff Cristel Tufenkjian provided details about the various public outreach activities performed and future workshops, presentations and webinars in order to receive stakeholder input for the GSP. Staff Rebecca Quist presented a "GSP Portal" webpage located at <http://northforkkings.org/gsp/>, to serve as supplementary information for the aforementioned outreach activities. The webpage will be updated to include the latest information for the GSP.

Tufenkjian announced that the first Rural Community Advisory Committee meeting is scheduled for 7:00pm tonight.

Actions: None.

Item 12: OTHER ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION **Presenter:** Chair McKean

Discussion: None.

Actions: None.

Item 13: NEXT MEETING DATE AND PROPOSED AGENDA ITEMS **Presenter:** Chair McKean

Discussion:

Special Meeting scheduled for Wednesday, July 25, 2018.

Regular Board Meeting scheduled for August 22, 2018.

Actions: None.

Item 14: ADJOURNMENT **Adjourned:** 6:01 p.m.

Study Session

Item 1: CALL TO ORDER **Presenter:** Chair McKean

The meeting was called to order at 6:01 p.m.

Item 2: ONGOING DISCUSSION: STRATEGIES AND POLICIES **Presenter:** Kevin Johansen
RELATED TO GSP DEVELOPMENT

Discussion:

Technical consultant Kevin Johansen reported on progress achieved regarding the ongoing Kings Subbasin coordination efforts, GSP development and presented management areas and water quality issues for consideration. Additionally, Johansen presented future work planned including upcoming tasks on the Water Budget, determining measurable objectives and minimum thresholds, water quality issues for consideration, and management areas. Technical staff are seeking agreement among the GSAs regarding methodology, acknowledging that current findings will change after more research is conducted and information is considered, and are including public outreach and solicitation for comments within the GSP development processes.

Johansen provided various draft findings including: unconfined aquifer storage changes, groundwater boundary flow, and water demand. Johansen evaluated five methodology alternatives and iterations, recommending alternative four as the method for apportioning responsibility for future Board consideration. The Board will take action regarding the information presented at a future Board meeting.

Actions: None.

Item 3: ADJOURNMENT

Adjourned: 8:01 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephen Maddox Jr., Board Secretary

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Mark McKean, Board Chair