North Fork Kings Groundwater Sustainability Agency Rural Community Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

October 16, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. Riverdale Community Education Center, Board Room

Members Present:

Angel Hernandez

Amanda Monaco

Jim Petty

Andrew Zonneveld

Pablo Avila

Members Absent:

Dan Conway

Tommy Fritz

Isabel Solorio

Vicente Hernandez

Others Present:

Cristel Tufenkjian, Kings River Conservation District

Charlotte Gallock, Kings River Conservation District

Item 1: CALL TO ORDER

Presenter:

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Chair Zonneveld

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The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

Item 2: PUBLIC COMMENT

<u>Discussion</u>: None.

Actions: None.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Presenter:

Chair Zonneveld

Discussion: None.

Actions:

Item 3:

Motion by Petty, seconded by A. Hernandez. The Committee unanimously carried to approve the August 21, 2019 meeting minutes.

(AYES: A. Hernandez, Monaco, Petty, Zonneveld, Avila; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Solorio, Conway, Fritz, V. Hernandez)

Item 4:

COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORTS

Presenter:

Chair Zonneveld

Discussion:

Monaco reported on two meetings hosted by Leadership Counsel for Justice and Accountability held in Lanare. The meetings, one each held with community members and the Lanare Community Services District, reviewed the North Fork Kings GSA draft GSP. A list of five recommendations were made by the community members and CSD board.

Petty reported the Riverdale Public Utilities District Board decided not to hold a community meeting given the North Fork Kings GSA hosted a community GSP workshop.

Actions: None.

Item 5: STAFF UPDATES Presenter: Cristel Tufenkjian

Discussion:

Tufenkjian reported the GSP comment period concludes October 21st. The North Fork Kings GSA will hold a Public Hearing on October 23rd to hear verbal comments. Spanish GSP workshop materials are now available on the website at www.northforkkings.org/gspresources.

Gallock reported several public workshops on the GSP have been hosted. Several comment letters have been received. The GSP is a comprehensive document that will allow adaptive management and over time grant a better understanding of our hydrogeologic conditions. Both inter-basin and intra-basin coordination efforts will continue throughout implementation.

Actions: None.

Item 6: <u>DISCUSS COMMITTEE COMMENTS ON GROUNDWATER</u> Presenter: Andy Zonneveld

SUSTAINABILITY PLAN DRAFT

Discussion:

Monaco reported concerns regarding drinking water impacts based on minimum thresholds and undesirable results outlined in the GSP. According to a drinking water impact technical analysis commissioned by Leadership Counsel for Justice and Accountability and Self-Help Enterprises, 83% of domestic wells in a two-mile radius around monitoring wells in the GSA area would go dry at the GSP's defined minimum thresholds. State data was used to conduct the analysis. It was recommended by the organizations that a mitigation plan be included in the GSP to support community residents whose wells go dry, and that the GSA's consultants conduct and include a drinking water impact analysis in the GSP.

Zonneveld cited there is a community well installed in Lanare providing drinking water. Petty cited Riverdale installed two wells over the last few years to provide drinking water. Considerations include how many are reliant on domestic wells versus the community wells, and what wells were included in the technical analysis. Avila supported the study being more robust to include how many domestic wells the 85% translates to. Concerns of fiscal impact must be taken into consideration for GSP management actions, and external funding sources will be critical to implementing programs. Concerns remained over lack of detail for a mitigation program. Committee members expressed domestic well impacts are relevant. Leadership Counsel plans to improve specifics of the study and a mitigation program.

Monaco asked whether a stormwater drainage project in Lanare is being considered for inclusion in the GSP. Gallock confirmed that falls under storage basin projects included in the GSP.

Actions: None.

Item 7: OTHER ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION Presenter: Chair Zonneveld

<u>Discussion</u>: None. <u>Actions:</u> None.

Item 8: NEXT MEETING DATE AND PROPOSED AGENDA ITEMS Presenter: Chair Zonneveld

Discussion:

The next meeting will take place December 18, 2019 at 6:00 pm.

Actions: None.

Item 9:	<u>ADJOURNMENT</u>		Adjourned	7:02 pm
<u>Discussion</u> : None.				
Actions: None.				
		Respectfully submitted,		
			Stephen Ma	ddox Jr., Board Secretary
	approved	on November 13, 2019		
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Andrew Zonn	eveld, Committee Chair			