



North Fork Kings

Groundwater Sustainability Agency

Division 1

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Laguna Irrigation District
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April 16, 2021

Division 3

Director Danielle Roberts
Laton Community Services District
Riverdale Public Utilities District
Lanare Community Services District

North Fork Kings Groundwater Sustainability Agency

Rural Community Advisory Committee

Division 4

Director Mark McKean
Crescent Canal Company
Stinson Canal & Irrigation Company

This is to inform you the Rural Community Advisory Committee meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 21, 2021 via **ZOOM Web/Teleconference**. **The web link and call-in information are on the Agenda**. As a result of the COVID-19 emergency and the Governor's Executive Orders N-29-20 and N-33-20, this meeting will occur via remote presence by video and teleconference. There will not be a physical public access location. The meeting will convene at 6:00 pm.

Division 5

Director Leonard Acquistapace
Riverdale Irrigation District
Reed Ditch Company

Division 6

Director Stephen Maddox, Jr.
Liberty Mill Race Company
Burrel Ditch Company

Division 7

Director Tony Campos
Liberty Water District
Liberty Canal Company

- Angel Hernandez, *Vice Chair*
- Esther Espinoza
- Amanda Monaco
- Jim Petty
- Isabel Solorio
- Andrew Zonneveld, *Chair*

Mark McKean, *Chair*
Buddy Mendes, *Vice Chair*
Stephen Maddox, *Secretary-Treasurer*

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GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

1. This Committee Meeting will be held virtually, via an online video conferencing tool called [Zoom](#). **You DO NOT need a Zoom account to participate in the meeting.** You will simply need the meeting link, or the phone number and Meeting ID provided and can participate as a guest.
2. All meeting participants will have the option to join the meeting either:
 - a. via the Zoom app on your laptop/desktop computer, cell phone, or tablet,
 - b. via the Zoom website on your internet browser (be aware that this offers a more limited experience), or
 - c. via conference call on your cell phone or landline, following the prompts provided when you call.
3. If you plan to join the meeting via the Zoom app, please click the meeting link to join about ten minutes early, to allow time for the app to download to your device. Or you can download it ahead of time here: <https://zoom.us/download>.
4. This Committee Meeting will be monitored by a technical moderator, to ensure all participants have the proper settings in place for the duration of the meeting.
5. All meeting participants will first be placed into a virtual "waiting room" when they join the meeting and will be admitted to the meeting prior to the meeting's start.

North Fork Kings Groundwater Sustainability Agency (NFKGSA) Rural Community Advisory Committee Meeting

April 21, 2021
6:00 P.M. meeting convenes

ZOOM

Link: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87917288997?pwd=ekNMRXBiQ0s3dUhoUStSZjZDNEtYZz09>

One-Tap Mobile: +12532158782,,87917288997#,,,,*023641#

Call-In: +1 253 215 8782 US (Tacoma)

Meeting ID: 879 1728 8997 **Passcode:** 023641

MEETING AGENDA

All items on this agenda, whether or not expressly listed for action, may be deliberated upon and may be subject to action by the Committee Members. The Committee Members may consider agenda items in any order. Materials related to an item on this agenda submitted to the Committee Members after distribution of the agenda packet are available for public inspection at the Kings River Conservation District, 4886 E. Jensen Ave., Fresno 93725 during normal business hours.

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

The public may address the Committee Members on any item relevant to the GSA. To comment on an agenda item speaker should stand when the agenda item is announced. The conducting officer will indicate whether speakers are to make their comments before or after any staff comment or report. Public comment shall precede discussion of the item by the Committee Members. Comments by individuals and entities will be limited to three minutes or as may be reasonable as determined by the conducting officer.

3. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Committee will consider approval of the February 17, 2021 meeting minutes.
This is an action item. Requires simple majority approval.

4. COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORTS

Each Committee Member will have the opportunity to report on meetings and other events attended during the prior month on behalf of the NFKGSA RCAC. *No action will be taken.*

5. STAFF UPDATES

The Committee will receive staff updates on activities related to the RCAC. *No action will be taken.*

6. KINGS SUBBASIN ANNUAL REPORT OVERVIEW

The Committee will receive an overview of the 2021 Kings Subbasin Groundwater Sustainability Annual Report. *No action will be taken.*

7. NEXT MEETING DATE AND PROPOSED AGENDA ITEMS

June 16, 2021 at 6:00 pm

8. ADJOURNMENT

Purpose of the Rural Community Advisory Committee

Pursuant to Section 143-703(b) of the Act, the purpose of the Rural Community Advisory Committee is to assist the board to consider the interests of all beneficial uses and users of groundwater.

A person with a qualifying disability under the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 may request the NFKGSA to provide a disability-related modification or accommodation in order to participate in any public meeting of the NFKGSA. Such assistance includes appropriate alternative formats for the agendas and agenda packets used for any public meetings of the GSA. Requests for such assistance and for agendas and agenda packets shall be made in person, by telephone, facsimile, or written correspondence to the Kings River Conservation District, 4886 E. Jensen Ave, Fresno, CA 93725, telephone 559.237.5567, fax 559.237.5560 at least 48 hours before a public NFKGSA meeting.

North Fork Kings Groundwater Sustainability Agency
Rural Community Advisory Committee Minutes

February 17, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

Via ZOOM TELECONFERENCE

Members Present:

Angel Hernandez, Vice Chair

Amanda Monaco

Isabel Solorio

Andrew Zonneveld, *Chair*

Jim Petty

Esther Espinoza

Members Absent:

Others Present:

Cristel Tufenkjian, Kings River Conservation District

Angela Islas, Self-Help Enterprises

Steve Haugen, Kings River Water Association

Item 1: CALL TO ORDER

Presenter: Chair Zonneveld

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 p.m.

Item 2: PUBLIC COMMENT

Presenter: Chair Zonneveld

Discussion: None.

Actions: None.

Item 3: CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Presenter: Chair Zonneveld

Discussion: None

Actions: Motion by Petty, seconded by Solorio to approve the December 9, 2020 minutes. The Committee unanimously approved the motion.

(AYES: Hernandez, Monaco, Petty, Zonneveld, Solorio, Espinoza; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: None

Item 4: COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORTS

Presenter: Chair Zonneveld

Discussion: Petty reported that letters will be going into the NFKGSA Board to communicate that Jim Petty will be the alternate for Division 3. Isabel Solorio reported that one of the two wells for the community of Lanare that Benzine has been detected. It is thought to be related to the use of chlorine in the well.

Actions: None

Item 5: STAFF UPDATES **Presenter:** Tufenkjian

Discussion: Tufenkjian reported that the NFKGSA February 24 Board meeting has been cancelled.

Item 6: SEMI-TROPIC PRESENTATION **Presenter:** Haugen

Discussion: Kings River Water Association Watermaster Steve Haugen provided an overview of Semitropic Water Storage District's filing of an aggressive action to take water from the Kings River down to Kern County. Depending on the outcome at the State Water Resources Control Board, it could have a detrimental impact for our communities, residents and agriculture in the region. Haugen reported that the process at the State Board is very technical and is conducted through the administrative hearing office. To supplement the process the State Board allows a policy statement that can come from individuals and districts that will help the Board understand what the area is like. Haugen reported that KRWA is looking to have local community representatives make policy statements letting the State Board understand the importance of keeping the water in this area and not take it to other areas. RCAC member Esther Espinoza volunteered to provide comments. Haugen stated he will work through Cristel and Amanda to coordinate policy statements and letters. Discussion followed regarding Semitropics filing was a two prong attack on flood waters and water rights. Some of the water is flood water that is to be used to help the GSAs bring the subbasins into balance under SGMA. Haugen stated that if KRWA can't keep the permits and licenses, the GSAs can't accomplish their sustainability goals. Angela Islas from Self-Help Enterprises offered to reach out to communities that Self-Help assists to coordinate comment letters.

Item 7: NEXT MEETING DATE, PROPOSED AGENDA ITEMS **Presenter:** Zonneveld

Discussion: The next meeting will take place on April 21, 2021 at 6 pm.

Actions:

Item 8: ADJOURNMENT **Adjourned:** 7:09 pm

Discussion: None

Actions: None

Respectfully submitted,

Board Secretary

_____ approved on April 21, 2021
Zonneveld, Board Chair