

Tracy Subbasin GSP Coordination Committee Meeting

Thursday, February 17, 2022
1:00 PM to 3:00 PM

Teleconference Meeting Only

Teleconference Link: <https://stantec.zoom.us/j/93541056999>

Phone Number: 1-669-900-6833

Meeting ID: 935 4105 6999

DRAFT MINUTES

I. Opening of Meeting/Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 1:07 PM.

Roll call found the following Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SMGA) Groundwater Sustainability Agency (GSA) representatives present via teleconference:

- Lea Emmons, City of Tracy GSA
- David Weisenberger, BCID
- Greg Gibson, City of Lathrop GSA
- Greg Young, BBID
- Ryan Alameda, Stewart Tract
- Matt Zidar, San Joaquin County

Other attendees:

- Emily Finnegan, Stantec
- Khandriale Clark, Stantec
- Richard Shatz, GEI
- Jackson Cook, California Department of Water Resources
- Pauline Espinoza, GEI
- Jose Coronado, San Joaquin County
- John Brody, Delta-Mendota Subbasin SGMA

II. Scheduled Items

- A. Approval to Extend Resolution Proclaiming a Local Emergency, Ratifying the COVID-19 State of Emergency, and Authorizing Remote Teleconference Meetings of the Tracy Subbasin GSP Coordination Committee Pursuant to the Ralph M. Brown Act – *Action Item*

RESULT: APPROVED

MOVER: David Weisenberger

SECONDER: Lea Emmons

AYES: All

NOES: None

ABSENT: Matt Zidar (absent at the time of vote)

ABSTAIN: Non

- B. Approval of January 20 GSP Coordination Committee Meeting Minutes – *Action Item*

RESULT: APPROVED

MOVER: Lea Emmons

SECONDER: Greg Young

AYES: All

NOES: None

ABSENT: Matt Zidar (absent at the time of vote)

ABSTAIN: None

- C. Update on Annual Report – *Discussion Item*

Richard Shatz, GEI, presented some of the preliminary work conducted to support development of the Annual Report to gather input from the Committee on the work conducted thus far, answer remaining questions, and identify potential data gaps. The collection of materials presented included various tables, maps, and data sets that were organized by geographic location, water use type, or water user.

Greg Young, BBID, asked Mr. Shatz to clarify what he meant by the term “water use” as listed in the tables, specifically if the term referred to the amount of water that was consumed or how the water was used. Mr. Shatz responded that it was metered data from wells and surface water supplies and referred specifically to water delivered.

Mr. Shatz asked Greg Gibson, City of Lathrop, if the city was supplying all of the water to the U.S. Army depot. Mr. Gibson confirmed that the city was not.

Mr. Shatz walked the Committee through the table inputs and explained the various sources and data considerations as the Annual Report continues to be developed. At this time estimations have been and will continue to be used as substitutes for any data gaps. He asked the Committee to provide him with additional information if they were aware of local water sources, where they are being supplied to, where they are being supplied from, and the water amounts.

Mr. Shatz asked Mr. Young how some of the water within BBID’s part of the region should be classified. Mr. Young responded that he would follow up with Mr. Shatz separately with information concerning how that water should be attributed.

Lea Emmons, City of Tracy, noted that the city has a water right associated with its agricultural water use and that the water is metered. Mr. Emmons noted that he would provide Mr. Shatz with additional data.

With regard to the format of the tables created for the Annual Report, Mr. Weisenberger asked why the water was being accounted for on a month-to-month basis. Mr. Shatz responded that the work conducted thus far was done on a short timeline and despite various data gaps and would be improved upon as development of the report continued.

Mr. Emmons and Mr. Young commented on the validity of the data as presented, particularly concerning data included in the table for agricultural water use in the City of Tracy and the overall use of groundwater when there are a few wells in the areas indicated on the map Mr. Shatz presented. The objective moving forward will be to provide Mr. Shatz with more complete and updated data to support more accuracy in the Annual Report. Mr. Shatz also noted that he intended to write a list of considerations in development of the data, have a set of assumptions listed at the end of the table, and pull the boundaries of cities and GSAs into the map. Riparian use would also be further considered.

D. Propose new date for March Tracy Subbasin GSP Coordination Committee Meeting – March 24, 2022, 1-3 PM – *Discussion Item*

All but two Committee members agreed with the date change. Ms. Finnegan and Ms. Clark will follow up with Ryan Alameda and Mr. Young (who were absent at the time of this discussion) to confirm if the date change will work in their schedules.

E. MOA Update – *Discussion Item*

The update went to the San Joaquin County board as previously discussed, and it was approved.

F. DWR Status Report – *Discussion Item*

Jackson Cook, DWR, noted that DWR would be making \$200M available in their Round 2 solicitation for grant funding.

Matt Zidar, San Joaquin County, asked if critically overdrafted basins that previously applied for Round 1 funding would be eligible to apply for Round 2 funding as well. Mr. Cook stated that he would confirm the information he had and would get back to the Committee with a definitive answer.

III. Public Comments

No additional comments were provided.

IV. Agency Comments

Mr. Gibson noted, in connection to the Annual Report discussion, that a figure showing some satellite imagery related to evapotranspiration may have been invertedly included and should not be. Mr. Shatz will remove those particular items from the figure in response to that comment.

V. **Next GSP Coordination Committee Meeting – March 17, 2022 (pending proposed re-schedule for March 24, 2022)**

The next GSP Coordination Committee Meeting will tentatively be held on March 24, 2022 (pending confirmation of availability from Mr. Young and Mr. Alameda).

VI. **Adjournment**

Ms. Finnegan adjourned the meeting at 2:30 pm.