

## MINUTES

### REGULAR MEETING OF THE WEST TURLOCK SUBBASIN GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE AND THE EAST TURLOCK SUBBASIN GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

TURLOCK IRRIGATION DISTRICT, CONFERENCE ROOM 203, MAIN OFFICE BUILDING  
333 EAST CANAL DRIVE, TURLOCK, CALIFORNIA

**2:00 p.m., Thursday, October 25, 2018**

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**MEMBERS PRESENT:** City of Modesto, Miguel Alvarez  
City of Turlock, Michael Cooke (Chair)  
City of Turlock, Fallon Martin  
Denair Community Services District, Richard Lindo  
Denair Community Services District, David Odom  
Delhi County Water District, Leandro Maldonado  
Merced County, Lacey Kiriakou (Vice Chair)  
Turlock Irrigation District, Michael Clipper (GSA Treasurer)  
Turlock Irrigation District, Brandon McMillan  
Turlock Irrigation District, Herb Smart  
Turlock Irrigation District, Bill Penney  
Turlock Irrigation District, Debbie Liebersbach  
General Counsel, Valerie Kincaid  
Keyes Community Services District, Michael Jones  
Hilmar County Water District, Curtis Jorritsma  
Stanislaus County, Walt Ward

**OTHERS PRESENT:** City of Turlock, Tara Sykes  
East San Joaquin Water Quality Coalition, Parry Klassen  
Provost & Pritchard, Mike Day  
Department of Water Resources, Chris Montoya  
Eastside Water District, Kevin Kauffman  
Ballico-Cortez Water District, Dennis Yotsuya

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- 1) **CALL TO ORDER** – The meeting was called to order at 2:04 p.m. Lacey Kiriakou, WTS GSA TAC Vice Chair, asked for introductions of members present from both the West and East Turlock Subbasin GSAs.

**2) APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Debbie Liebersbach (TID) recommended several changes to the minutes. Lacey Kiriakou (Merced County) recommended a change to the minutes as well.

**MOTION:** Denair Community Services District (R. Lindo) moved, Turlock Irrigation District (H. Smart) seconded, that the minutes from the September 27, 2018 meeting be approved once amended. All voted in favor with none opposed. The Vice Chair declared the motion carried.

**3) PUBLIC PARTICIPATION** – There was none.

**4) BUDGET**

Michael Clipper, WTS GSA Treasurer, provided a brief report on the current bank account balance and pending invoices. No action was taken.

No budget information for the ETS GSA was provided.

**5) ITEM MOVED (Was 9) – SUBBASIN OUTREACH TOOLS FOLLOW UP DISCUSSION**

Herb Smart (TID) informed the TAC that additions have been made to the Turlock Groundwater Subbasin website to comply with an amendment to the Brown Act. Herb Smart initiated a discussion on next steps and potential funding options for Turlock Subbasin outreach tools. There was discussion from the TAC regarding options for funding and potential conflicts with funding sources; however, no action was taken. Herb will develop a more detailed proposal, which will be presented as an agenda item for the December special meeting of the TAC.

**6) DWR GENERAL APPLICATION FOR TECHNICAL SUPPORT SERVICES**

Kevin Kauffman (Eastside Water District) initiated a discussion on the general application process for technical support services through DWR, and options for funding tasks associated with the GSP through the general application process. Chris Montoya (DWR) informed the TAC on the process of applying for technical support services. Applications should be submitted on a basin-wide level, and DWR will be considering critically over-drafted basins as a priority for funding. Kevin Kauffman (Eastside Water District) will bring the draft general application back to the joint TAC to consider making a recommendation that the respective GSAs approve/support the application as recommended by Valerie Kincaid (General Counsel). An informational item will be added to a future agenda of the West Turlock Subbasin.

**7) MEMORANDUM OF INTENT BETWEEN TURLOCK AND MERCED SUBBASIN GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCIES**

Lacey Kiriakou (Merced County) informed the TAC that Merced County approves of the language in the Memorandum of Intent. Next steps include working with counsel to finalize the document which will be presented to the TAC for review. An action item will be added to the meeting on December 13<sup>th</sup> to approve the Memorandum of Intent.

**8) NUTRIENT MANAGEMENT REQUIREMENTS**

Parry Klassen with the East San Joaquin Water Quality Coalition (ESJWQC) provided an update on CV-Salts, new nitrate regulations coming in 2019, and next steps for affected GSAs, including a request for letters of interest for support services in developing management zones to meet CV-Salts Nitrate Control Program requirements. After some discussion by the TAC, Kevin Kauffman (Eastside Water District) offered to draft a letter of support on behalf of the East and West Turlock Subbasin GSAs, to support ESJWQC efforts to obtain funding to develop a Management Zone, which will be provided to Michael Cooke (City of Turlock) for distribution and review by the TAC.

**9) GROUNDWATER RECHARGE ASSESSMENT TOOL (GRAT)**

Debbie Liebersbach (TID) initiated a discussion on the Groundwater Recharge Assessment Tool (GRAT) and next steps for the TAC. After some discussion by the TAC, it was determined that more information was needed from Phyllis Stanin (Todd Groundwater) before taking action on this item.

**10) SGMA-RELATED UPDATES**

Debbie Liebersbach (TID) reported that she will be working with Phyllis Stanin (Todd Groundwater) to develop the first invoice to be submitted to Department of Water Resources (DWR) for payment. Chris Montoya (DWR) informed the TAC that it takes approximately 45 calendar days for DWR to take action on payment once an invoice is finalized.

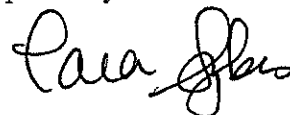
Brandon McMillan (TID) informed the TAC that the next community workshop will tentatively be scheduled for January so materials can be prepared following the TAC workshop with Todd Groundwater in December. The TAC discussed possible locations for the workshop and it was suggested that the workshop take place in Ceres.

**11) NEXT MEETING** – The next regular meeting, scheduled for November 22, 2018, has been cancelled. A special meeting is scheduled for December 13<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

**12) ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION:** It was moved and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 3:55 p.m. All voted in favor with none opposed. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted:



Tara Sykes

Acting Secretary, West Turlock Subbasin GSA TAC