SACRAMENTO CENTRAL GROUNDWATER AUTHORITY

Sustainable Groundwater Management Act Sub-Committee Meeting

Final Minutes

Wednesday, September 29, 2015; 1:30 PM

Location: 10060 Goethe Road

Sacramento, CA 95827

SRCSD/SASD Office Building – Room 1213 Red Oak

Minutes:

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Darrell Eck called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

The following meeting participants were in attendance:

Board Members:

Forrest Williams – Sacramento County

Tom Nelson – FRCD/EGWD

Tom Mahon – Agricultural Interests

Brett Ewart – City of Sacramento

Paul Schubert – Golden State Water Company

Rick Bettis – Conservation Landowners

Staff Members:

Darrell Eck - SCGA Sarah Britton – Legal Counsel Ping Chen – SCGA Ramon Roybal – SCGA

Others in Attendance:

Mark Madison – FRCD/EGWD Bruce Kamilos – FRCD/EGWD Jonathan Goetz – GEI

2. Public Comment

None

3. Election of Subcommittee Chair and Vice-Chair

Paul Schubert elected Chair, Forrest Williams elected Vice-chair.

4. SCGA Joint Powers Authority

• Mr. Goetz provided a PowerPoint review of SCGA's Joint Powers Authority

- Mr. Schubert asked if the plan was for a new Joint Powers Agreement (JPA) or amendment to the existing one. Mr. Eck replied the plan was for an amended JPA.
- Mr. Madison stated FRCD/EGWD's fundamental questions regarding the existing JPA and its potential structure in compliance with SGMA:
 - (a) Why are there only five signatories? Is there potential for a single entity or group to exert undue power?
 - (b) Why does a statutorily independent organization like FRCD have their Board appointment approved by an outside entity (Elk Grove City Council)?
 - (c) Suggested formation of an executive committee.
- Mr. Nelson suggested changing the component of the JPA limiting appointments from FRCD, Rancho Murieta CSD, and OHWD to members of their respective boards.
- Mr. Schubert suggested collecting comments regarding changes to the JPA prior to the October 16 subcommittee meeting. Comments were due to staff by October 9, 2015. Ms. Britton recommended that the comments refer to specific sections/sub-sections of JPA doc.

Motion/Second/Carried – Mr. Williams moved, seconded by Mr. Nelson, the motion carried unanimously to have legal counsel analyze the JPA for identification of required changes to comply with SGMA.

5. Stakeholder Outreach

- Mr. Madison stated importance of ensuring that SCGA's message was delivered correctly, with consistency, and with authority.
- Mr. Mahon stated that he would have no problem outreaching to the Farm Bureau but felt that it was important for staff to organize an official presentation at a centralized location for the benefit of the larger Agricultural community.

Motion/Second/Carried – Mr. Schubert moved, seconded by Mr. Ewart, the motion carried unanimously to direct staff to continue identification of interested parties and to complete work on fact sheet and presentation by the October 16, 2015 subcommittee meeting.

6. Action Items/Next Steps/Assignments

• Mr. Ewart suggested that staff put together a status report/list of items to demonstrate to the great Board what the subcommittee has been working on. The document would also serve to function as a mechanism for subcommittee

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members to firmly communicate to the Board the position(s) being recommended for action by the subcommittee.

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Upcoming meetings -

Next SCGA Board of Directors Meeting – Wednesday, November 4, 2015, 9:00 am; SASD South Conference Room 1212 Sunset Maple

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Chairperson	Date
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