

MINUTES

NKGSA Advisory Committee Meeting December 16, 2016 Clovis Public Safety Community Room

In attendance:

Luke Serpa – Clovis	Andrew Remus - FMFCD
Lisa Koehn – Clovis	Tim Bakman – Bakman Water
Gary Serrato - FID	Shay Bakman – Bakman Water
Bill Stretch – FID	Lauren Layne – NKGSA Legal Counsel
Adam Claes – FID	Sarye Miller – Ag representative
Nick Keller – Garfield WD	Jim Phillips – Ag representative
Steve White – Fresno County	Ron Samuelian – Provost & Pritchard
Bernard Jimenez – Fresno County	Matt Leu – Cargill
Ken Moore – Kerman	Sue Ruiz – Self Help Enterprises
Alan Hoffman – FMFCD	David Cehrs

Item 1 - Called to order at 9:10 AM

Item 2 – No public comment

Item 3 – Approval of Minutes

Luke Serpa noted a correction to the minutes from the November 28 meeting. Motion to approve corrected minutes by Nick Keller, seconded by Bill Stretch. Approved unanimously.

Item 4 – Status Reports from Subcommittees

Bill Stretch delivered status report for Technical Consultant Subcommittee: Qualifications are due at noon on December 16. RFQs were sent to 10 or so consulting firms. Two have indicated that they will not be responding. Unknown how many will actually respond. Subcommittee has prepared rating sheet and list of questions if interviews will be held. Subcommittee will be meeting first week of January at FID to evaluate statements of qualifications. May need to interview top-rated firms after evaluating submittals. If interviews are not needed, might bring recommendation to Advisory Committee in January. Otherwise, will bring recommendation to Advisory Committee in February.

Bernard Jimenez delivered status report for Legal Counsel Subcommittee; Proposals also due at noon on December 15. RFQs were sent to 10 or so consulting firms. Unknown how many will actually respond. Subcommittee has prepared rating sheet and list of questions if interviews will be held.

Subcommittee will be meeting Wednesday, December 21 at FID to evaluate proposals. May need to interview top-rated firms after evaluating submittals. If interviews are not needed, might bring recommendation to Advisory Committee in January. Otherwise, will bring recommendation to Advisory Committee in February.

Item 5 – Develop Recommendations for List of Interested Parties for GSA Formation Notice

Adam Claes indicated that an initial list of Interested Parties is being compiled based on list of parties that have participated in the development of the NKGSA to date. Sue Ruiz noted that the NKGSA group has been very inclusive and had a wide range of participants in its development. David Cehrs asked if list would include other entities in the Kings Basin but outside the NKGSA. General concurrence that entities outside of the NKGSA would not be included in the initial list of interested parties but that any entity could request to become an interested party in the future. Further discussion that additional potential interested parties could be gleaned from IRWMP and Fresno Area Groundwater Management Plan. Sue Ruiz volunteered to send Adam Claes an email identifying outreach efforts that she has participated in. Adam requested that if anyone had any further suggestions of for the interested party list that they send them to him by Monday or Tuesday of the following week. Adam indicated that a basic web page for the NKGSA had been established on the FID web site, and that he could add a link to that page to allow entities to register as an interested party.

Item 6 – Establish Regular Meeting Schedule for Advisory Committee

Discussion regarding timing of Advisory Committee meetings to provide sufficient time for preparation/noticing of actions for GSA Board Meetings. GSA Board meetings are 4th Thursday of each month, so general consensus was that Advisory Committee should meet on 2nd Friday of each month at 9:00 AM. Meetings to be held in Clovis until further notice. In order to give time for the subcommittees to evaluate the submittals, the January meeting will be held on the 3rd Friday (January 20) instead of the 2nd Friday.

Item 7 – Member Comments

Lauren Layne discussed letter from SWRCB indicating that Fresno State could not be a member of the GSA but could participate through an MOU or Participation Agreement like other entities. Lauren also passed out draft Bylaws for the GSA for consideration. The Advisory Committee will need to take action to recommend the Bylaws for approval so all members of the Advisory Committee should review, and have their legal counsel review the draft bylaws

and get comments back to Lauren by January 18. A Word-version of the draft bylaws will be sent to all members for review.

Bill Stretch answered some questions from David Cehrs regarding details of the RFQ for Technical Consultants.

Bernard Jimenez reported that the County, Raisin City Water District, and Mid-Valley Water District will be executing a JPA to establish the McMullin Grade GSA.

Shay Bakman notified the Committee Tim Bakman will be Bakman Water Company's representative on the Advisory Committee and that Shay would serve as the alternate.

Ron Samuelian reported that he had recently participated in a DWR Focus Group regarding the Agency's update to the C2VSim model. DWR will be updating the model using data from the Tulare Lake Basin that was collected between 2000 and 2009. DWR intends to use the C2VSim when evaluating GSPs; however, the boundaries of Depletion Analysis Units (DAUs) in C2VSim do not correlate with the boundaries of the GSAs so the use of C2VSim will be more general in nature rather than as a measure of each specific GSP's performance.

Gary Serrato recommended establishing a Technical Subcommittee sooner rather than later to ensure they remain up to date on issues that will affect the GSP. Gary recommended that we consider establishing all significant ad hoc committees for the same reason.

There was general concurrence with Gary's recommendations so the establishment of ad hoc committees and identification of members will be on the agenda for the next Advisory Committee meeting.

Item 8 – Meeting Adjourned

Meeting was adjourned at approximately 10:00 AM.