



Minutes of the Kaweah Subbasin Management Team Meeting

**March 20, 2019 – 9:00-11:30 am
Exeter Museum, Exeter, CA**

At approximately 9:00 a.m. on March 20, 2019, at the Exeter Museum, the Kaweah Subbasin Management Team Committee meeting was called to order by Paul Hendrix of the Mid-Kaweah GSA.

Management Team Members and Alternates Present:

Tom Weddle, East Kaweah GSA
Eric Osterling, Greater Kaweah GSA
Don Mills, Greater Kaweah GSA
Mike Hagman, East Kaweah GSA
Leslie Caviglia, Mid-Kaweah GSA
Paul Hendrix, Mid-Kaweah GSA

Management Team Members Absent

Aaron Fukuda, Mid-Kaweah GSA
Terry Peltzer, East Kaweah GSA
Denise England, Greater Kaweah GSA
Trisha Whitfield, Mid-Kaweah GSA

Item 1. Roll Call, Agenda Overview and Introductions

Having a quorum, Chair Hendrix went around the room for self-introductions.

Item 1a. Review and Approval of previous meeting minutes.

Chair Hendrix presented the meeting minutes of the February 20, 2019 Kaweah Subbasin Management Team Committee meeting. A motion was made by Mike Hagman, seconded by Tom Weddle, and unanimously carried that the minutes be approved as amended.

Item 2. Public Comments

Chair Hendrix opened the meeting for public comment. No public comment was received.

Item 3a-c. GSA Updates

Representatives of each of the GSAs provided an overview of their individual GSA activities, including pertinent updates on Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) development and public outreach and engagement.

- a. Greater Kaweah Groundwater Sustainability Agency
Eric Osterling reported on the past and upcoming meetings and the work continuing on GSP chapters development.
- b. East-Kaweah Groundwater Sustainability Agency
Mike Hagman reported Chapters 1 and 2 are out for Technical Advisory Committee review.
- c. Mid-Kaweah Groundwater Sustainability Agency
Paul Hendrix reported the Sustainable Goal is being addressed in coordination with the East Kaweah and Greater Kaweah GSA's. Work continues on defining an Optimal Objective, Management Thresholds and Measurable Objectives. Community Outreach continues and the public draft GSP target date is slated for July. Mr. Hendrix also described the process for public comment period and adoption of the GSP.

Item 4. Coordination Agreement Status

Paul Hendrix reported a draft outline is circulating and attorneys are folding in internal comments and adding detail to the outline.

Item 5. Consultation Presentation

Chris Peterson presented a Power Point Presentation on GEI technical activities.

- a. Basin Setting/Water Budget
Mr. Peterson discussed the process on how the Water Budget work and the steps taken to produce the Basin Setting document and related subjects and added that the draft document was just recently presented to the GSA managers.
Mr. Peterson explained the water budget contains three periods and how each one was important and required by regulations. He presented a slide of historic and current periods to wet and dry condition trends and described the overdraft comparisons and data in different portions of the historic period. Comment was received regarding Specific Yield and Mr. Peterson explained that the WRI was used with a range of about 7-20, but the SkyTEM data will be improved in the next update of the GSP's.
An infographic of projected water budget and DWR documentation slides were presented. Mr. Peterson explained a report from FWA was used to estimate future surface water supply and then groundwater estimated in order to calculate the gap between project supply and demand. Surface water supply and calculation of climate change were discussed.
- b. Water Supply Accounting Framework
Mr. Peterson explained how the information was collected for the water budget process and added that now that information needs to be used for portions of the basin with consideration of the "3 buckets" water accounting framework in order to allocate shares of Native groundwater and overdraft to each GSA. Comment was received regarding WWTP seepage and "salvaged" water and basin inflow/outflow and coordination with adjacent basin. Public comment was received concerning Sustainable Yield.

c. Next Steps and Future Activities

Mr. Peterson described next steps which include the process for water budget allocation and how the Basin Setting and other basin level work will be incorporated into the GSP's, along with a timeframe schedule.

Discussion was also had surrounding the groundwater modeling process and coordination with GSA managers and GSI. Comments were received regarding Management Objectives and Minimum Thresholds and how they are being considered and it was suggested the GSAs consider the use of the DWR BMP for SMC.

Item 7. Other Business

There being no further Business to come before the Committee the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Eric Osterling, Interim Secretary