# Fillmore and Piru Basins Groundwater Sustainability Agency Board of Directors Meeting

July 26, 2017 – 6:00 p.m.

# City of Fillmore City Hall, City Council Chambers 250 Central Avenue, Fillmore, CA 93015

# AGENDA

# 1. Call to Order

# 2. Pledge of Allegiance

# 3. Public Comments

Members of the public may address the Board on any matter on the agenda or on any non-agenda item within the jurisdiction of the Board. No action will be taken by the Board on any non-agenda item. All comments are subject to a five-minute time limit.

# 4. Approval of Agenda <u>Motion</u>

5. Director Announcements/Board Communications

# 6. Update on GSA Notice of Intent Filing with California Department of Water Resources

# Information Item

The Board will hear a status report on the FPBGSA filings with the California Department of Water Resources

# 7. Interim Executive Director Update <u>Information Item</u>

The Interim Executive Director will provide an informational update on Agency activities since the previous Board meeting of June 26, 2017.

# CONSENT CALENDAR

# 8. Approval of Minutes

Approval of the minutes from the Board Meeting of June 26, 2017

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# **ACTION ITEMS**

# 9. Appointment of Agency Stakeholder Directors The Board will consider nominees for the three (3) Stakeholder Director positions on the FPBGSA Board of Directors <u>Motion</u>

- **A.** Appointment of Stakeholder Director from Fillmore Basin Pumpers Association The Board shall review the materials submitted by the Fillmore Basin Pumpers Association and its nominee, Mr. Gordon Kimball, in support of his nomination and will consider appointing Mr. Kimball to the Board of Directors. The Board may, at its discretion, interview Mr. Kimball to gain further insight into this qualifications and background.
- B. Appointment of Stakeholder Director from Piru Basin Pumpers Association

The Board shall review the materials submitted by the Piru Basin Pumpers Association and its nominee, Mr. Glen Pace, in support of his nomination and will consider appointing Mr. Pace to the Board of Directors. The Board may, at its discretion, interview Mr. Pace to gain further insight into this qualifications and background.

C. Appointment of Stakeholder Director from Environmental Interests Groups

The Board shall review the materials submitted by the Santa Clara River Environmental Groundwater Committee and its nominee, Ms. Candice Meneghin of CalTrout, in support of her nomination and will consider appointing Ms. Meneghin to the Board of Directors. The Board may, at its discretion, interview Ms. Meneghin to gain further insight into her qualifications and background.

# 10. Adoption of Schedule for Future Meetings

#### **Motion**

The Board of Directors shall consider adopting a schedule for regular Board of Directors meetings. The Interim Executive Director shall provide information about the availability of the City of Fillmore City Council Chambers as the site for such future meetings.

# 11. Review of Deadlines

## <u>Motion</u>

The Board shall discuss the administrative deadlines contained in the Joint Powers Agreement ("JPA Agreement") for developing bylaws, approving a budget, appointing a treasurer/auditor, developing a local conflict of interest code, and acquiring legal services.

#### 12. Additional Initial Organizational Items Motion

The Board will consider initiation of actions to apply for 501(c)(3) non-profit status; a Federal Tax Identification number; and establishing a Facebook page for public outreach purposes.

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## 13. Discussion of Legal Services

#### **Motion**

The Board will discuss the need for legal services and consider directing staff to develop a Request for Proposal (RFP) to solicit such services on behalf of the FPBGSA.

#### 14. Possible Future Action Items

#### **Motion**

The Board will review the future action items and direct the Interim Executive Director to include these items on the agenda for consideration during future Board of Directors meetings.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

The Board will adjourn to the next **Regular Board Meeting** on Monday, **August 28, 2017** or call of the Chair.

Materials, which are non-exempt public records and are provided to the Board of Directors to be used in consideration of the above agenda items, including any documents provided subsequent to the publishing of this agenda, are available for inspection at UWCD's offices at 106 North 8<sup>th</sup> Street in Santa Paula during normal business hours.

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**Approved:** 

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Posted: (date) July 20, 201 (time) 4:30 p.m. (attest) Kris Sofley At: United Water Conservation District Headquarters, 106 No. 8<sup>th</sup> St., Santa Paula, CA

Posted: (date) July 20, 2017 At: www.unitedwater.org (time) 4:45 p.m.

(attest) Kris Sofley

Item No. 6

DATE: July 26, 2017

TO: Board of Directors

SUBJECT: Update on GSA Notice of Intent Filing with CA Department of Water Resources

#### SUMMARY

The Board directed the Interim Executive Director to implement or cause to be implemented the administrative tasks related to formally file with the CA Department of Water Resources to be the GSA for the Fillmore and Piru basins. This task has been accomplished.

#### **RECOMMENDED ACTION**

Receive update report on the status of the Agency application to be the GSA for the Fillmore and Piru basins. Provide any direction to Interim Executive Director, if required.

#### BACKGROUND

The Interim Executive Director was directed to implement the following steps and/or bring to the Board at subsequent meeting plans for action on the following tasks. Staff from United Water Conservation District prepared the necessary information to support the filing.

The necessary information was filed with DWR on June 28, 2017. The 90-day public comment period started on that date. In the absence of challenges by other eligible entities, the Agency would officially become the GSA on September 26, 2017.

#### **FISCAL SUMMARY**

There was no fiscal impact from this item.

Item No. 7

DATE: July 26, 2017

TO: Board of Directors

#### SUBJECT: Interim Executive Director Update

#### SUMMARY

The Board directed the Interim Executive Director to implement administrative tasks related to the formation of the Agency. The Interim Executive Director will report on the progress of those tasks.

#### **RECOMMENDED ACTION**

Receive update report from Interim Executive Director. Provide direction to Interim Executive Director for establish Agency Facebook page to facilitate stakeholder outreach.

#### BACKGROUND

The Interim Executive Director was directed to implement the following steps and/or bring to the Board at subsequent meeting plans for action on the following tasks. The status of each of those tasks is shown below:

- Preparation and submission of a notice of the joint powers agreement pursuant to which the Agency was formed (JPA Agreement) to the office of the Secretary of State within thirty (30) days of the JPA Agreement effective date; [Status: notice filed with Secretary of State on June 29, 2017; received stamped copy filed on July 7, 2017 File No 2387]
- Submission of the JPA Agreement to the State Controller; [Status: notice filed with State Controller via email on June 29, 2017]
- Submission of Statement of Facts/Roster of Public Agencies Filing with the office of the Secretary of State within seventy (70) days of the JPA Agreement's effective date; [Status: notice filed with Secretary of State on June 29, 2017; revised copy on July 18, 2017 (clerk title had to be assigned); awaiting stamped copy of filed document]
- Submission of the necessary information items to the California Department of Water Resources (on or before June 30, 2017) documenting the Agency's intent to become the GSA for the Fillmore and Piru Groundwater Basins. [Status: completed see Item 6]
- As directed by the Board, a Public Notice was placed in the July 19, 2017 edition of the Ventura County Star noticing the July 26, 2017 meeting date, time and location of the next FPBGSA Board of Directors meeting.

Stakeholder outreach and engagement is an important part of the Agency mission. Social media is a tool to facilitate the outreach and engagement effort. The Interim Executive Director suggests that the Board consider developing a Facebook page which can be accomplished at no cost.

#### **FISCAL SUMMARY**

The filing of the required information with the State of California Controller and Secretary of State required the payment of \$3.00 (\$1. In filing fees and \$1. Each for copies of stamped/filed document as

receipt of filling). The public notice ad in the Ventura County Star was billed to UWCD at \$141.50. The District has established separate accounting codes for all FPBGSA related expenses.

#### FILLMORE AND PIRU BASINS GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING JUNE 26, 2017 6:00PM CITY OF FILLMORE CITY HALL, CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS 250 CENTRAL AVENUE, FILLMORE, CA 93015

#### MINUTES

**Directors Present:** 

Director Carrie Broggie, City of Fillmore Mayor Director Ed McFadden, UWCD Board of Directors Director Kelly Long, Ventura County Board of Supervisors (participated via teleconference)

#### Public Present:

Gordon Kimball, Fillmore Basin Pumpers Association Helen McGrath, Fillmore Basin Pumpers Lara Meeker, Santa Clara River Watershed Coalition Candice Meneghin, California Trout Tim Moore, United Water Conservation District Tony Morgan, United Water Conservation District Matt Naftaly, Dudek Glenn Pace, Warring Water Kris Sofley, United Water Conservation District

## 1. CALL TO ORDER 6:00pm

Director Ed McFadden (Director for United Water Conservation District) called the meeting to order and, reading from a script, announced that in accordance with California Government Code 54953, Ventura County Supervisor Kelly Long was participating via teleconference call from Woodinville Library, 17105 Avondale Road NE in Woodinville, WA. He then stated that all votes of the directors would be roll call votes and proceeded to ask Supervisor Long a series of questions to confirm that Supervisor Long could hear all of the proceedings taking place in the City Council Chambers of the City of Fillmore's City Hall, that all participants (including the public) could hear Supervisor Long clearly on the phone; that the agenda for the meeting was posted in the Library in Washington; and that there were no members of the public at the Library in Washington wishing to participate in the meeting via teleconference. Director Broggie than added that she could hear Supervisor Long clearly and asked the public if they could hear Supervisor Long clearly.

With that, Director McFadden asked everyone to join him in the Pledge of Allegiance (Item 2 on the agenda).

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# 3. ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND INTRODUCTION OF DIRECTORS

Director McFadden acknowledged the appointments of the Member Directors representing the County of Ventura (Kelly Long), City of Fillmore (Carrie Broggie), and United Water Conservation District (himself). Each Member Director will be referenced as Director going forward in the meeting, as each Director stated their names and the organizations they represent.

# 4. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT APPEARING ON THE AGENDA

Director McFadden asked if there were any public comments at this time regarding items not appearing on the agenda and within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Agency; no public comment was offered.

# 5. APPOINTMENT OF AGENCY OFFICERS

Director Broggie offered a motion to nominate Director Long as Chair of the Fillmore and Piru Basins Groundwater Sustainability Agency; seconded by Director McFadden. Roll call vote: three ayes (Broggie, Long, McFadden), none opposed. Motion carries unanimously.

Director Long then offered a motion to nominate Director McFadden as the Vice Chair/Secretary of the Fillmore and Piru Basins Groundwater Sustainability Agency; seconded by Director Broggie. Roll call vote: three ayes (Broggie, Long, McFadden), none opposed. Motion carries unanimously.

Director Long then stated that, since she was unable to see the room and participants, Director McFadden should continue to lead the remainder of the meeting. Directors Broggie and McFadden agreed.

# 6. APPOINTMENT OF INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Director McFadden opened the floor to discussion regarding the appointment of an Interim Executive Director, someone who will serve the Board until a permanent Executive Director is hired or appointed in developing, implementing and facilitating the steps and/or bring to the Board at subsequent meeting plans for action on the following:

- Preparation and submission of a notice of the joint powers agreement pursuant to which the Agency was formed (JPA Agreement) to the office of the Secretary of State within thirty (30) days of the JPA Agreement effective date;
- Submission of the JPA Agreement to the State Controller;
- Submission of statement of information with the office of the Secretary of State within seventy (70) days of the JPA Agreement's effective date; and
- Submission of the necessary information items to the California Department of Water Resources (on or before June 30, 2017) documenting the Agency's intent to become the GSA for the Fillmore and Piru Groundwater Basins.

Director McFadden then called on Tony Morgan from UWCD who explained the position would be temporary, likely two to three months, until a full time person could be hired or appointed by the Board. Mr. Morgan then suggested that Kris Sofley, of UWCD, could

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fulfill the Interim Executive Director position. Director McFadden then made a motion to nominate Kris Sofley as Interim Executive Director for the Fillmore and Piru Basins Groundwater Sustainability Agency; Director Broggie, seconded the motion. Roll call vote: three ayes (Broggie, Long, McFadden), none opposed. Motion carries unanimously.

# 7. PUBLIC HEARING

Director McFadden opened a Public Hearing to Receive Public Comment on Fillmore and Piru Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency's Election to Act as the Groundwater Sustainability Agency for the Fillmore and Piru Groundwater Basins at 6:10p.m. He then asked if any members of the public present wanted to address the Board or make a public statement. No comments from the public were offered.

# 8. CONSIDER RESOLUTION 2017-01

Director McFadden called on Tony Morgan to explain the purpose of adopting <u>Resolution</u> <u>2017-01.</u>

Mr. Morgan stated that the Resolution was a requirement of the Department of Water Resources in authorizing the Agency to act as the GSA for the Fillmore and Piru Groundwater Basins pursuant to the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act and in exercising jurisdiction upon land overlying the entire Fillmore Basin and Piru Basin and in working cooperatively with other local GSAs and stakeholders in providing direction to staff regarding preparation of the Agency's Notice of GSA election, including direction on the development and preparation of a list of interested parties.

Director McFadden then asked if there were any questions or comments from the Board. Director Long had no comments or questions. Director Broggie asked that since the Resolution had to be filed by June 30 and Director Long, as chair, was unavailable to sign the document, who signs the Resolution?

Director Long explained that she had authorized Nancy Phillips in her office to affix Director Long's signature (via a stamp) to the document, if approved.

Director Long then made a motion to adopt <u>Resolution 2017-01</u>; motion seconded by Director Broggie. Roll call vote: three ayes (Broggie, Long, McFadden), none opposed. <u>Resolution 2017-01</u> is adopted.

# 9. SOLICIT NOMINATIONS FOR STAKEHOLDER DIRECTOR POSITIONS ON BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Director McFadden advised that the Board of Directors will formally solicit nominations to fill the Stakeholder Director positions, comprised of:

- Representative from Fillmore Basin Pumpers Association (FBPA);
- Representative from Piru Basin Pumpers Association (PBPA); and
- Representation from Environmental organizations.

Nominations must be submitted by July 17, 2017 at 3p.m., via mail or email, to Director Long's office. The Board of Directors will consider the nominations and, in accordance

with Section 6.4 of the JPA Agreement, if the nominees are found acceptable by the Member Directors, will be appointed as Stakeholder Directors at the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board. Nominees are expected to provide information, consistent with the requirements of the JPA Agreement, in support of their nominations such as, but not limited to, nominee's relationship to the groundwater basin, how the nominee proposes to communicate with other Directors, organizations, and stakeholders during their service on the Board, their available time to commit to the Board, and possible conflicts of interest.

Director McFadden asked if there were any public comments or questions. No public comment or questions were offered.

Director Broggie asked if, in addition to the Fillmore and Piru Pumpers and Environmental organizations, if additional nominees were expected.

Mr. Morgan responded that the JPA stipulates that a single environmental nominee is to be advanced for Member Director consideration, as has each of the pumpers association.

## **10. POSSIBLE FUTURE ACTION ITEMS**

Mr. Morgan was invited to the podium to make a presentation to the Board regarding the future action items they need to be aware of and provided them with three reports: UWCD's Groundwater and Surface Water Conditions Report – 2015 dated March 2017 (which is available on the UWCD website); UWCD's 2014 and 2015 Piru and Fillmore Basins Biennial Groundwater Conditions Report dated June 2016 (also available on the UWCD website) and a copy of the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act, revised January 15, 2016 (which is available on the CA Department of Water Resources website). He also provided each of the Board members with a Fillmore and Piru Basins GSA Boundary map.

Mr. Morgan asked the Board to be aware of the myriad decisions which must be made in the days and months ahead; and to direct the Interim Executive Director to include these items for consideration at future Board meetings. Among the early decisions are whether or not an Executive Director will be hired; legal counsel and/or representation as there will be many contracts and legally binding documents that will need to be completed on behalf of the GSA. There also needs to be an interim budget, accounting, bylaws need to be submitted within 90 days of formation; a Federal Tax ID needs to be applied for, especially in order for the GSA to be eligible for potential grant funding opportunities; the process for developing an "interested parties" list; consideration of a website to keep the public informed of meetings and public hearings; basin boundary modifications and the actual preparation of the Groundwater Sustainability Plan, which although it is not due until 2020, does the Board want UWCD to handle the development of the plan or do they want to hire an outside consultant, or both.

Director Broggie thanked Mr. Morgan for the very comprehensive list of tasks he presented and then asked him how other GSAs are handling the process.

Mr. Morgan said those that don't have a UWCD type of organization are contracting

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consultants.

Director Broggie then asked how these other GSAs were funding those costs.

Mr. Morgan said many were self-funding and looking for Grants. He continued to state that although the Groundwater Sustainability Plans are not due until 2020, each basin must file their own plan. And while Fillmore and Piru basins are related and similar in many aspects, there will be differences in each of the plans nonetheless.

Director McFadden that said UWCD has been gathering information for decades and has the mechanism for collecting and assessing groundwater conditions but because this discussion wasn't agendized, it would need to be continued to and discussed at a future meeting.

Director Long said that Ventura County Groundwater teams can also contribute.

Director McFadden said the framework needs to be set and the Board needs to get the right people involved and figure out how to pay for it all, and then moved to the next item for discussion.

# 11. ESTABLISHMENT OF PRINCIPAL OFFICE AND PUBLIC NOTICING OF FUTURE MEETINGS

Director McFadden thought the Fillmore City Hall could serve as the GSA's principal office address and that the agendas for future meetings could be posted at City Hall. Ms. Sofley said that she would check with Fillmore's City Manager Dave Rowlands regarding the process for accepting and handling mail as well as the availability of City Council chambers for future meetings. The Directors agreed that Fillmore City Hall should be the Principal Office for the Agency subject to verification with Dave Rowlands.

Director Broggie asked about posting agendas and Ms. Sofley said that future meeting agendas could be posted at UWCD headquarters, on the UWCD website and at Fillmore City Hall. She also stated that, for the next few meetings, until a regular schedule was adopted, it might be a good idea to place public notice ads in the Ventura County Star to ensure the widest reach of the public. Ms. Sofley also said she could publicize the meetings on UWCD's Facebook page and that the GSA could create a Facebook page as well until an official website was possible.

# **12. ADOPTION OF SCHEDULE FOR FUTURE MEETINGS**

Director Broggie stated that Monday nights at 6p.m. worked for her schedule and Director McFadden agreed that the day and time was very convenient for him as well.

Director Long said the day/time also worked for her schedule and that the last Monday of the month could be the standing meeting date, however, July 24 would be a problem as she was traveling and wouldn't return to the area until 8pm. Director Long said she could be available on Tuesday, July 25 or Wednesday, July 26.

Director Broggie said the City Council meetings were on the fourth Tuesday of month, but she thought the City Council was dark in July and asked Ms. Sofley to check on the

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availability of Council chambers with Mr. Rowlands. She added that the Board should hold off on confirming the next meeting date and future meetings' schedule until Ms. Sofley spoke with Mr. Rowlands. She also asked that a list of dates be prepared for review and approval at the Board's next meeting.

# 13. ADDITIONAL INITIAL ORGANIZATIONAL ITEMS PURSUANT TO THE JPA AGREEMENT OR THE RALPH M. BROWN ACT

Director McFadden asked if there were any other additional initial organizational actions or information and both Director Broggie and Director Long responded no.

Mr. Morgan added that UWCD staff were working to submit the required documents through the DWR web portal before the June 30 deadline.

Director Long said that sounded good and that everyone seems to be working together very well. She thanked everyone for helping the GSA get to where they are today and said she was excited.

Director McFadden added that between United and the Pumpers, the GSA was in a good position to get started.

# 14. ADJOURNMENT 6:38p.m.

The Board will adjourn to the next **Regular Board Meeting**, which will be confirmed and noticed for the last week of July upon confirmation with Fillmore City Manager, or call of the Chair.

I certify that the above are a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Board of Directors meeting of June 26, 2017.

ATTEST:

Director Kelly Long, Chair

ATTEST:

Kris Sofley, Interim Executive Director

# FILLMORE AND PIRU BASINS GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY INAUGURAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

# ATTENDANCE SHEET/CONTACT INFORMATION

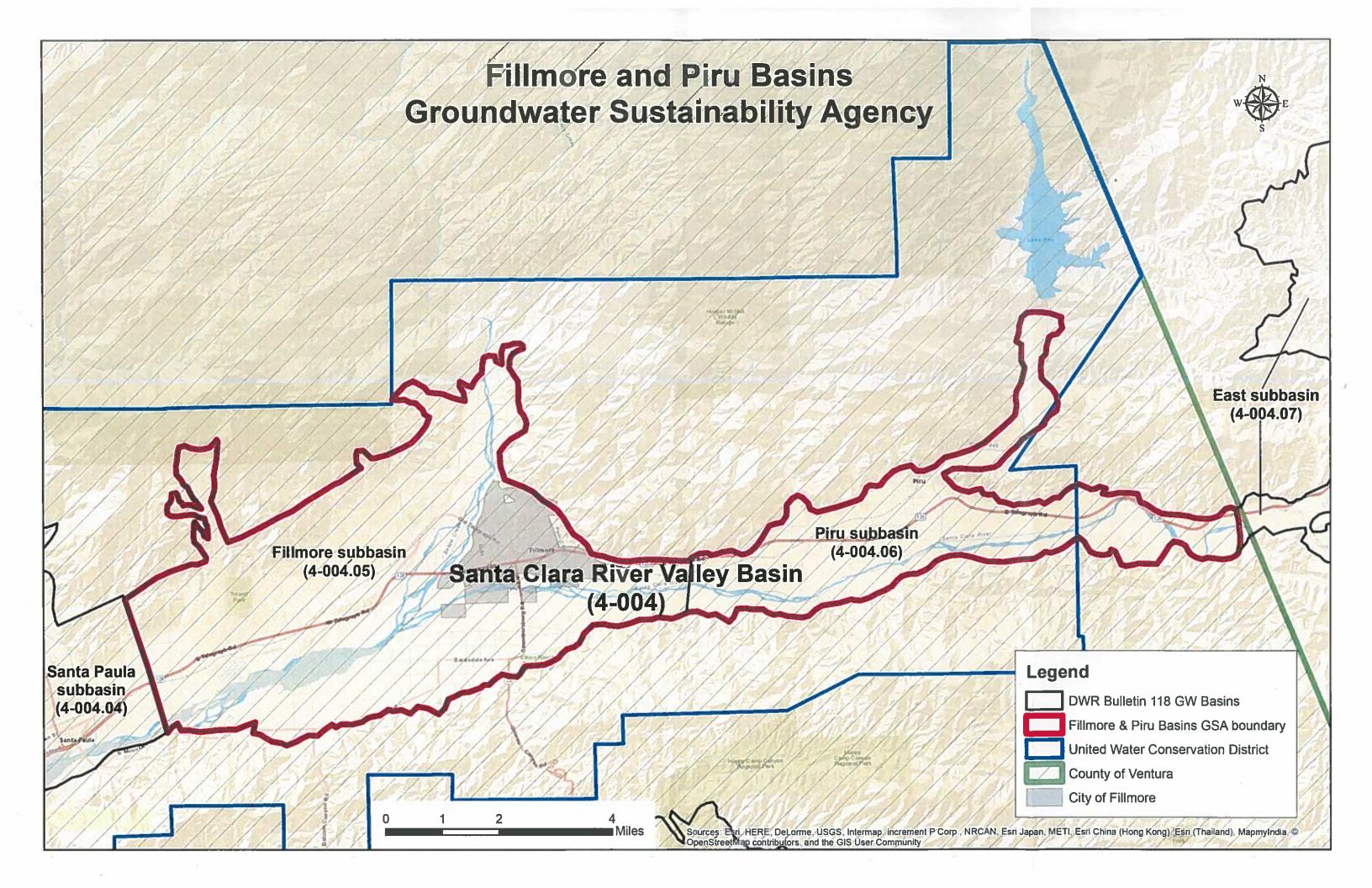
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# **GSA formation – Early Decisions**

- Elect to become GSA
- Administrative
  - Solicitation for Stakeholder Director nominations / review & approve, if acceptable, the nominations
  - ✓ Executive Director\* or ??
  - ✓ Legal counsel
  - ✓Accounting\*
  - Website / Interested Parties List\*

- ✓ Budget interim
- ✓ Bylaws
- Fed Tax ID # (needed for grant applications)
  Consider GSP grant funding
  Basin boundary modifications\*
  GSP preparation\* outside consultant or UWCD or ??



Item No. 9

DATE: July 26, 2017

TO: Board of Directors

#### SUBJECT: APPOINTMENT OF AGENCY STAKEHOLDER DIRECTORS

#### SUMMARY

At the June 26, 2017 Board of Directors meeting, the Board of Directors formally solicited nominations to fill the following Stakeholder Director positions and committed to considering those nominations at the next regularly scheduled Board meeting:

- Representative from Fillmore Basin Pumpers Association (FBPA);
- Representative from Piru Basin Pumpers Association (PBPA); and
- Representation from Environmental organizations.

#### **RECOMMENDED ACTION**

Consider the nominees for the Stakeholder Directors as prescribed in the JPA. Conduct interviews with the nominees at the discretion of the Member Directors.

#### BACKGROUND

To facilitate the Board's consideration of a nominee for the Stakeholder Director position, the Board directed nominations should be submitted to the Board Chair by July 17, 2017 at 3:00pm. In addition, nominees were expected to provide information, consistent with the requirements of the JPA Agreement, in support of their nominations such as, but not limited to, nominee's relationship to the groundwater basin, how the nominee proposes to communicate with other Directors, organizations, and stakeholders during their service on the Board, their available time to commit to the Board, and possible conflicts of interest.

As of the date of this staff report, the following nominations have been received by the Board Chair:

- Mr. Gordon Kimball representing the Fillmore Basin Pumpers Association;
- Mr. Glen Pace, representing the Piru Basin Pumpers Association; and
- Ms. Candice Meneghin, representing Environmental Interests.

Supporting materials, per the Board's direction, have been received from Mr. Gordon Kimball and Mr. Glen Pace.

Stakeholder Directors shall be selected in accordance with Section 6.4 of the JPA Agreement.

#### FISCAL SUMMARY

There is no fiscal impact associated with this item.

#### Fillmore Basin Pumpers Association, Inc. 540 Sespe Ave., Suite 3 Fillmore, CA 93015

May 9, 2017

Supervisor Kelly Long, County of Ventura Mayor Carrie Broggie, City of Fillmore Director Ed McFadden, United Water Conservation District

Dear Fillmore Piru Groundwater Basins Sustainability Agency Directors;

Per the terms of the Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement creating the Fillmore and Piru Basins Groundwater Sustainability Agency, the Fillmore Basin Pumpers Association respectfully nominates Gordon Kimball as the Fillmore Basin Pumper Stakeholder Director.

Mr. Kimball meets the requirements set forth in Paragraph 6.2 of the Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement as he is an individual who is a party to an unexpired contract entitling him to produce groundwater from land overlying the Fillmore basin that is owned by another party to the contract and has produced groundwater pursuant to such a contract within the past year.

As the Fillmore Basin Pumper Stakeholder Director, Gordon Kimball is authorized to represent the interests of the Fillmore Basin Pumpers Association with respect to all matters that come before the Fillmore Piru Basins Groundwater Sustainability Agency Board.

Sincerely,

The Directors of the Fillmore Basin Pumpers Association, Inc.

Robert Morris

Pete Fallini

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# Gordon Kimball

4200 Timber Canyon Road Santa Paula California 93060 Tel 805 933-1321 Fax 805 933-1512

16 July 2017

Fillmore Piru Basins Groundwater Sustainability Agency Director Kelly Long Director Carrie Broggie Director Ed McFadden

Re: Stakeholder Director Nomination

Dear Directors;

Further to my nomination by the Fillmore Basin Pumpers Association as the stakeholder representative director for the Fillmore basin on the Fillmore Piru Basins Groundwater Sustainability Agency Board of Directors, this letter provides additional information.

I am a partner with my wife and sister in a farm located in Timber Canyon, in the Fillmore basin. We use water pumped from the Fillmore basin from a well located on an adjoining property. This water is provided under a deeded agreement from 1964 when the original property was subdivided.

I am a member of the Fillmore Basin Pumpers Association board of directors and currently serve as the president. The association has held numerous stakeholder meetings since December of 2014. The association's board of directors meet monthly. The meeting notices, along with minutes of the previous month's meeting, are sent to all members. All meetings are open. Members, and non-members are encouraged to attend. I regularly attend SGMA related meetings in other basins such as the Upper Ventura River, Fox Canyon, and Mound.

Over the past three years I have devoted considerable time to water and the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act. Since I am self-employed, I am able to attend meetings as required during the day, or in the evenings.

In addition to farming, I am President of Kimball Engineering, Inc. which provides design services to a variety of clients in the motorsport industry. I serve on the board of directors of the Limoneira Company which farms in the Fillmore basin.

Sincerely,

Gordon E. Kimball

Piru Basin Pumpers Association, Inc. 540 Sespe Ave., Suite 3 Fillmore, CA 93015

May 9, 2017

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OFFICE OF SUPERVISOR KELLY LONG

Director Ed McFadden, United Water Conservation District

Dear Fillmore Piru Groundwater Basins Sustainability Agency Directors;

Per the terms of the Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement creating the Fillmore and Piru Basins Groundwater Sustainability Agency, the Piru Basin Pumpers Association respectfully nominates Mr. Glen Pace as the Piru Basin Pumper Stakeholder Director.

Mr. Pace meets the requirements set forth in Paragraph 6.2 of the Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement as he is the duly authorized representative of an entity which owns land from which groundwater was produced from the Piru Basin for beneficial uses within the past year.

As the Piru Basin Pumper Stakeholder Director, Mr. Pace is authorized to represent the interests of the Piru Basin Pumpers Association with respect to all matters that come before the Fillmore Piru Basins Groundwater Sustainability Agency Board.

Sincerely,

The Directors of the Fillmore Basin Pumpers Association, Inc.

Matt Freeman

✓ Supervisor Kelly Long, County of Ventura Mayor Carrie Broggie, City of Fillmore

Doug O'Hara Rick Tate

Scott Klittich

Glen Pace

# **Glen Pace**

1562 Grand Avenue Fillmore California 93015 Tel 805 795-7600

17 July 2017

Fillmore Piru Basins Groundwater Sustainability Agency Director Kelly Long Director Carrie Broggie Director Ed McFadden

Re: Stakeholder Director Nomination

Dear Directors;

Further to my nomination by the Piru Basin Pumpers Association as the stakeholder representative director for the Fillmore basin on the Fillmore Piru Basins Groundwater Sustainability Agency Board of Directors, this letter provides additional information.

I am the President of Warring Water Service Inc located in the Piru basin. Warring is a private water system that is regulated by the Public Utilities Commission and we serve the municipal and Industrial uses as well as some agriculture in and around the town of Piru. I have been the president of Warring Water since 2007. The company is owned by my mother and a partner. All of the water used in the Warring system is supplied by ground water wells located in the Piru basin.

I am a member of the Piru Basin Pumpers Association board of directors and currently serve as the president. The association has held numerous stakeholder meetings since December of 2014. The association's board of directors meet monthly. The meetings are noticed, with minutes of the previous month's meeting, sent to all members. All meetings are open. Members, and non-members are encouraged to attend.

Over the past two years I have participated with the Piru Basin Pumpers association and attended several meetings on behalf of the association. Previously I participated on the AB3030 committee. My work schedule is fairly flexible which allows me to attend most meetings weather in the day or evening time.

In addition to Warring Water, I am President of Encompass Consultant Group, which provides civil engineering and land surveying services to both private and public clients in and around Ventura County.

Sincerely

From: "E.J. Remson" <<u>eremson@TNC.ORG</u>>

Date: June 27, 2017 at 1:39:41 PM PDT

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Subject: RE: Environmental Stakeholder Representative Nomination for the Fillmore/Piru Basin GSA

Hello Supervisor Long, Mayor Broggie & Mr. Guardado,

I understand that at the first Fillmore & Priu Basin GSA meeting yesterday a question arose about the nomination of the environmental stakeholder representative nominee. Specifically, how many nominees were selected for the basin.

The Santa Clara River Environmental Groundwater Committee selected a single nominee, Candice Meneghin, as our nominee.

Thank you,

E.J. Remson

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Hello Supervisor Long, Mayor Broggie & Mr. Guardado,

On Monday, the Santa Clara River Environmental Groundwater Committee met to select a nominee to the Fillmore/Priu Basin GSA. The committee selected Candice Meneghin, Conservation Program Manager for California Trout, Inc. as our nominee.

Candice can be contacted at cmeneghin@caltrout.org or (805) 665-6203.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit this nomination.

E.J.

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Item No. 10

DATE: July 26, 2017

TO: Board of Directors

#### SUBJECT: ADOPTION OF SCHEDULE FOR FUTURE BOARD MEETINGS

#### SUMMARY

At the June 26, 2017 Board of Directors meeting, the Board of Directors suggested the last Monday of the month for its regularly scheduled Board meetings. The Board tasked Ms. Sofley with checking dates and availability with the City of Fillmore for use of the City Council Chambers on those dates.

#### **RECOMMENDED ACTION**

Ms. Sofley has confirmed that the City of Fillmore's Council Chamber is available the last Monday of each month from August through November, 2017 and asked the City of Fillmore City Manager's office to reserve the room for FPBGSA Board of Director meetings beginning at 6pm. If the Board choses, it may designate the last Monday of each month for its Regular Board Meeting. The only exception is the last Monday in December, which falls on Christmas, December 25. The Board may elect to move the date of its December meeting, or cancel its December meeting and reconvene on January 29, 2018.

#### FISCAL SUMMARY

There is no fiscal impact associated with this item.

FILLMORE AND PIRU BASINS GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE

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Item No. 11

DATE: July 26, 2017

TO: Board of Directors

SUBJECT: REVIEW OF DEADLINES

#### SUMMARY

The Joint Powers Agreement ("JPA") provides requirements and a schedule for the Agency to develop bylaws, approve an annual budget, appoint a treasurer/auditor, and develop a local conflict of interest code.

#### **RECOMMENDED ACTION**

The Board will discuss the deadlines in the JPA Agreement for developing bylaws, approving a budget, appointing a treasurer/auditor, and developing a local conflict of interest code.

#### BACKGROUND

#### **Bylaws**

Article 11 of the JPA requires the Board of Directors to draft and approve Bylaws of the Authority to govern the day-to-day operations of the Authority. The Bylaws shall be adopted at or before the first anniversary (June 26, 2018) of the Board's first meeting and may be amended from time to time.

#### Local Conflict of Interest Code

Section 8.5 of the JPA requires the Board of Directors to adopt a local conflict of interest code pursuant to the provision of the Political Reform Act of 1974 (Government Code sections 81000, et seq.) at the first meeting following the appointment of the three Stakeholder Directors.

#### Appointment of Treasurer and Auditor

Section 13.3 of the JPA prescribes that the Treasurer and Auditor shall be appointed in the manner, and shall perform such duties and responsibilities, specified in sections 6505, 6505.5 and 6505.6 of the Act. The Treasurer shall be bonded in accordance with the provisions of section 6505.1 of the Act.

#### <u>Budget</u>

Article 14 of the JPA provides that within ninety (90) days after the first meeting of the Board of Directors [September 26, 2017], and thereafter, prior to the commencement of each fiscal year, the Board shall adopt a budget for the Authority for the ensuing fiscal year. In the event that a budget is not so approved, the prior year's budget shall be deemed approved for the ensuing fiscal year, and any groundwater extraction fee or assessment(s) of contributions by Members, or both, approved by the Board during the prior fiscal year shall again be assessed in the same amount and terms for the ensuing fiscal year.

# FISCAL SUMMARY

Item No. 12

DATE: July 26, 2017

TO: Board of Directors

#### SUBJECT: ADDITIONAL INITIAL ORGANIZATIONAL ITEMS

#### SUMMARY

#### **RECOMMENDED ACTION**

The Board will consider initiation of actions to apply for 501(c)(3) non-profit status; a Federal Tax Identification Number; and establishing a Facebook page and/or other social media platforms to assist in public outreach for the FPBGSA.

#### BACKGROUND

Employer identification number (EIN). Every exempt organization must have an EIN, whether or not it has any employees. An EIN is required before an exemption application is submitted. Information on how to apply for an EIN can be found online at Employer ID TIP Numbers (EIN). The EIN is issued immediately once the application information is validated. If you previously applied for an EIN and haven't yet received it, or you are unsure whether you have an EIN, please call toll-free customer account services number, 1-877-829-5500, for assistance.

#### Organizing documents.

If you are submitting a Form 1023 or Form 1024, your application should include a copy of the organizing or enabling document that is signed by a principal officer or is accompanied by a written declaration signed by an authorized individual certifying that the document is a complete and accurate copy of the original or meets the requirements of a conformed copy. If you are submitting a Form 1023-EZ, you don't need to include a copy of your organizing documents. If your organizing or enabling document are articles of incorporation, include evidence that it was filed and approved by a state official. (For example, a stamped "Filed" copy dated by the Secretary of State is prima facie evidence that it was filed and approved by a state official.) A copy of the articles of incorporation can also be submitted with a written declaration signed by an authorized individual indicating the copy is complete and was filed and approved by the state, including the date filed.

#### Bylaws.

Bylaws alone aren't organizing documents. However, if your organization has adopted bylaws, include a current copy. The bylaws need not be signed if submitted as an attachment. If your organization's name has been officially changed by an amendment to your organizing instruments, you should also attach a conformed copy of that amendment to your application. Bylaws may be considered an organizing document only if they are properly structured (includes name, purpose, signatures, and intent to form an organization).

#### Conformed copy.

A conformed copy is a copy that agrees with the original and all amendments to it. If the original document required a signature, the copy should either be signed by a principal officer or, if not signed, be accompanied by a written declaration signed by an authorized officer of the organization. With

either option, the officer must certify that the document is a complete and accurate copy of the original. A certificate of incorporation should be approved and dated by an appropriate state official.

#### Attachments.

When submitting attachments, every attachment should show your organization's name and EIN. It hould also state that it is an attachment to your application form and identify the part and line item number to which it applies.

#### Original documents.

Don't submit original documents because they become part of the IRS file and can't be returned.

#### Description of activities.

Your application must include a full description of the proposed activities of your organization, including each of the fundraising activities of a section 501(c)(3) TIP organization and a narrative description of anticipated receipts and contemplated expenditures. When describing the activities in which your organization expects to engage, you must include the standards, criteria, procedures, or other means that your organization adopted or planned for carrying out those activities. To determine the information you need to provide, you should study the part of this publication that applies to your organization. The appropriate chapter will describe the purposes and activities that your organization must pursue, engage in, and include in your application in order to achieve exempt status. Often, your organization's articles of organization (or other organizing instruments) contain descriptions of your organization's purposes and activities. Your application should describe completely and in detail your past, present, and planned activities.

#### Financial data.

Unless you are filing Form 1023-EZ, you must include in your application financial statements showing your receipts and expenditures and a balance sheet for the current year and the 3 preceding years (or for the number of years your organization was in existence, if less than 4 years). For each accounting period, you must describe the sources of your receipts and the nature of your expenditures. If you haven't yet begun operations, or have operated for less than 1 year, a proposed budget for 2 full accounting periods and a current statement of assets and liabilities will be acceptable.

#### Exempt status established in application.

If your application and its supporting documents show that your organization meets the requirements for tax-exempt status under the Code section you applied, the IRS will issue a favorable determination letter or ruling.

#### **FISCAL SUMMARY**

Item No. 13

DATE: July 26, 2017

TO: Board of Directors

SUBJECT: DISCUSSION OF LEGAL SERVICES

#### SUMMARY

#### **RECOMMENDED ACTION**

The Board will discuss the need for legal services and consider directing staff to develop a Request for Proposal (RFP) to solicit such services on behalf of the FPBGSA.

#### BACKGROUND

California's Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) is in full swing. For the first time in the state's history, SGMA requires local agencies to develop and implement plans to achieve sustainable groundwater management for basins designated as medium or high priority by the California Department of Water Resources. New regulations have been adopted and others are being prepared that will shape the technical, practical, legal and political landscape for groundwater management throughout California.

SGMA is a game changer and the stakes are tremendously high, as the new law and regulations will affect water resource and environmental management, land use decision making, municipal and agricultural water use, and many other aspects of California life.

It is suggested that legal counsel be retained by the FPBGSA to avoid conflicts of interest with the legal teams of the Member Directors' and Stakeholder Directors' agencies. The FPBGSA will also require fair and prudent legal guidance on such issues as groundwater management, the implications of the new law and regulations, practical approaches and requirements for developing Groundwater Sustainability Plans, the roles of state and local agencies, funding issues, and practical examples of how real life groundwater disputes are resolved today.

#### **FISCAL SUMMARY**

Item No. 14

DATE: July 26, 2017

TO: Board of Directors

SUBJECT: POSSIBLE FUTURE ACTION ITEMS

#### SUMMARY

#### **RECOMMENDED ACTION**

The Board will review the future action items and direct the Interim Executive Director to include these items on the agenda for consideration and discussion during future Board of Directors meetings.

#### BACKGROUND

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#### **FISCAL SUMMARY**