

**Upper Kings Basin Integrated Regional Water Management Authority
Advisory Committee Minutes, June 16, 2021 at 9:30AM
Microsoft Teams Video-Teleconference**

Minutes of the Meeting of the Advisory Committee (Committee) of the Upper Kings Basin Integrated Regional Water Management Authority (Water Authority) held June 16, 2021.

1. Call to order

Advisory Committee Chair Jim Maciel called the meeting to order at 9:35 am.

Directors/Alternate Directors Present:

Paul Armendariz, City of Clovis (alternate)
Ismael Hernandez, City of Dinuba (alternate)
Philip Romero, City of Parlier (alternate)
Isaac Moreno, City of Selma (alternate)
Roy Jimenez, County of Fresno (alternate)
Eddie Valero, County of Tulare
Bill Stretch, Fresno Irrigation District
Brent Sunamoto, Fresno Metropolitan Flood Control District (alternate)
David Merritt, Kings River Conservation District (alternate)
Don Cameron, Raisin City Water District

Members Absent:

Alta Irrigation District
City of Fresno
City of Kerman
City of Reedley
City of Sanger
Consolidated Irrigation District
Kings County Water District

Interested Parties Present:

Jim Maciel, Armona Community Services District
Sean Ray, Bakman Water Company
Manny Amorelli, James Irrigation District
Matt Hurley, McMullin Area Groundwater Sustainability Agency
Sonia Sanchez, Self-Help Enterprises
Michael Prado Sr., Sultana Community Services District
Don Cameron, Terranova Ranch, Inc.
John Peairs, XIO, Inc.

Interested Parties Absent:

Biola Community Services District
California Native Plant Society, Sequoia Chapter
California State University, Fresno
City of Orange Cove
City of Kingsburg
City of San Joaquin
Community Water Center
County of Kings
Cutler Public Utilities District
East Orosi Community Services District
Easton Community Services District
El Rio Reyes Conservation Trust
Hardwick Water Company
Kings River Conservancy
Kings River Water Association
Laguna Irrigation District
Lanare Community Services District

Liberty Canal Company
Liberty Water District
London Community Services District
Malaga County Water District
Mid-Valley Water District
North Fork Kings Groundwater Sustainability Agency
Orosi Public Utilities District
Pinedale County Water District
Reclamation District No. 1606
Riverdale Irrigation District
Riverdale Public Utility District
Sanger Environmental Fund
Sierra Resource Conservation District
Sierra Club, Tehipite Chapter
Tulare Basin Watershed Partnership
US Cooperative Extension – Fresno

Others Present:

Ronnie Samuelian, Provost & Pritchard
Charlotte Gallock, KRCD

Soua Lee, KRCD

2. Additions to or Deletion from the Agenda

None.

3. Public Presentations

None.

4. Approval of the March 17, 2021 Meeting Minutes

It was moved by Director Stretch, seconded by Alternate Director Armendariz, and unanimously carried that the minutes of the March 17, 2021, meeting of the Advisory Committee be approved as presented.

5. Staff Reports

A. Planning and Implementation Contracts – Soua Lee provided updates on the Proposition 1 Round 1 IRWM Implementation Grant and Proposition 1 Disadvantaged Community Involvement Grant. Under the Prop 1 Round 1 IRWM Implementation Grant, the Fresno Metropolitan Flood Control District has completed about 80% of CEQA and completed 50% of project design.

B. Inter-regional and Statewide Coordination – Lee reported that the IRWM Roundtable of Regions sent an email to its members urging IRWM regions and its participating agencies to contact their local legislators to request that funding for IRWM be included in junior bills and/or trailer bills to the governor's 2021-22 budget.

C. Public Information – Lee reported that Maven's Notebook will be hosting an IRWM-SGMA webinar on June 21, 2021. The webinar will include a panel that will discuss recharge basins.

D. Legislation – None to report

E. Administrative Items – Lee reported that at the April 21, 2021 Board of Directors meeting, David Merritt, Kings River Conservation District interim general manager, was appointed as secretary/treasurer.

F. Other – Charlotte Gallock with the Kings Water Alliance provided a PowerPoint presentation on formation of the Kings Water Alliance Management Zone in the Kings and Tulare Lake Subbasins.

6. Request to Modify the IRWM Plan and Storm Water Resources Plan Project List

Lee reported that the City of Dinuba submitted a Project Information Form (PIF) for the project titled, "Expansion of the Existing Euclid/Saginaw Storm Drain Retention Basin Capacity." The PIF was reviewed by the Project Work Group and the Project Work Group recommended that the Advisory Committee make a recommendation to the Board of Directors to approve the City of Dinuba's project to the IRWMP project list. It was moved by Representative Hurley, seconded by Director Valero, and unanimously carried that the City of Dinuba's project be presented to the Board of Directors for consideration to the IRWMP project list.

8. Next Meeting Date:

The next regularly scheduled meeting for the Advisory Committee is September 15, 2021, at 9:30 a.m. via Microsoft Teams (subject to change).

Adjournment

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 10:26 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Jim Maciel

Chair

Approved