



Meeting of the ETGSA Stakeholder Committee

February 13, 2020

Agenda Item 5.a

Report on ongoing ETGSA outreach efforts

Staff Report to the ETGSA Board of Directors

Subject: Summary of December Outreach

Submitted By: Interim Executive Director

Recommended Action: n/a (report is for informational purposes)

Executive Summary:

In addition to its regular Board and Committee Meetings and email correspondence to its Interested Parties List, ETGSA continues to conduct community outreach regarding SGMA, ETGSA, and the development of ETGSA's Draft GSP through a variety of events and other media.

A summary of ETGSA's outreach efforts in January & February is provided below:

- *New Organization Memberships:*
 - Tulare County Farm Bureau
 - Porterville Chamber of Commerce
 - Tulare-Kings Hispanic Chamber of Commerce
- *January 30, 2020 (Meeting)* – ETGSA Interim Executive Director attended the Porterville Chamber of Commerce's Government Affairs Committee Meeting and gave an update on the ETGSA GSP those in attendance.
- *January 30, 2020 (Meeting)* – ETGSA Interim Executive Director was invited to speak at the Porterville Breakfast Rotary's Meeting. The presentation was on the ETGSA, SGMA, and an update on the GSP.
- *February 12, 2020 (Meeting)* – ETGSA Interim Executive Director attended the Tulare-Kings Hispanic Chamber of Commerce's Ambassador Lunch, introducing the GSA and gave information on to get involved with the ETGSA to those in attendance.
- *February 27, 2020 (Meeting)* – ETGSA Interim Executive Director with attend the Porterville Chamber of Commerce's Government Affairs Committee Meeting.



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Background:

SGMA requires that, “The groundwater sustainability agency shall consider the interests of all beneficial uses and users of groundwater, as well as those responsible for implementing groundwater sustainability plans...” (WAT § 10723.2). ETGSA undertakes outreach efforts, both individually and in collaboration with regional partners, to ensure that these interests are considered and provided with information pertinent and relevant to SGMA and the development of ETGSA’s GSP. The ETGSA Board of Directors adopted a Communication and Engagement Plan on October 5, 2018 that serves as a living guide to ETGSA’s outreach efforts.

ETGSA’s Board and Committee meetings occur on a regular basis and, save for closed session as permitted pursuant the Brown Act, are open to the public.

ETGSA continues to encourage its stakeholders to engage the Agency with other opportunities for outreach.

Fiscal Impact: n/a

Attachments: n/a



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Report on ETGSA Board Meetings

Staff Report to the ETGSA Stakeholder Committee

Subject: Summary ETGSA Board Meeting

Submitted By: Interim Executive Director

Recommended Action: *N/A – For Information Purposes*

Executive Summary:

The ETGSA Board of Directors held a meeting on November 7, 2019. Below is a summary of the meeting:

Summary of Actions Taken:

- Approved October 3, 2019 Board Meeting Minutes (*Unanimous*)
- Ratification of Bills Paid and Approved the Bills to be Paid. (*Unanimous*)

The ETGSA Board of Directors held a Special Meeting of the Board and Public Hearing on GSP on December 16, 2019. Below is a summary of the meeting:

Summary of Actions Taken:

- Approved November 7, 2019 Board Meeting Minutes (*Unanimous*)
- Ratification of Bills Paid and Approved the Bills to be Paid. (*Unanimous*)
- Held Public Hearing for ETGSA Groundwater Sustainability Plan and Public Comment Period ends. 27 Written Comments received; no oral comments received.

The ETGSA Board of Directors held a Special Meeting of the Board on January 10, 2020. Below is a summary of the meeting:

Summary of Actions Taken:

- Approved December 16, 2019 Special Board Meeting Minutes (*Unanimous*)
- Ratification of Bills Paid and Approved the Bills to be Paid. (*Unanimous*)



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The ETGSA Board of Directors held a Special Meeting of the Board on January 17, 2020. Below is a summary of the meeting:

Summary of Actions Taken:

- Considered Approval to Join the Tulare County Farm Bureau. (Unanimous)
- Considered Approval to Join the Porterville Chamber of Commerce. (Unanimous)
- Considered Approval to Join the Tulare-Kings Hispanic Chamber of Commerce. (Unanimous)
- Ratification of Bills Paid and Approved the Bills to be Paid. (Unanimous)
- Approval of Third Quarterly Call for Funds. (Unanimous)
- Approval of TH&Co Scope of Work for Land Subsidence Management Plan Study. (Unanimous)
- Approval of Contract and Scope of Work with Land IQ. (Unanimous)
- Approval of Resolution 2020-01, to Approve and Adopt Final GSP. (Unanimous)

The ETGSA Board of Directors held a Meeting of the Board on February 6, 2020. Below is a summary of the meeting:

Summary of Actions Taken:

- Approved January 10, 2020 Special Board Meeting Minutes (Unanimous)
- Approved January 17, 2020 Special Board Meeting Minutes (Unanimous)
- Approved development of a banking and recharge policy. (Unanimous)
- Appointment of Agency Officers:
 - Chairman – Eric Borba
 - Vice-Chair – Steve Kisling
 - Secretary – Rogelio Caudillo
- Appointment of Committee Chairs and Vice Chairs:
 - Stakeholder Comm. Chair – Bill Bennett
 - Stakeholder Comm. Vice-Chair – Matt Leider
 - Executive Comm. Chair – Eric Borba
 - Finance Comm. Chair – Steve Kisling
- Ratification of Bills Paid and Approved the Bills to be Paid. (Unanimous)



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Background: n/a

Fiscal Impact: n/a

Attachments: n/a



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Report on GSP and Tule Subbasin Coordination Agreement

Staff Report to the ETGSA Stakeholder Committee

Subject: GSP and Tule Subbasin Coordination Agreement

Submitted By: Interim Executive Director

Recommended Action: n/a (report is for information purposes)

Executive Summary:

- The ETGSA GSP and the Tule Subbasin Coordination Agreement signed by the GSAs in the Tule Subbasin are now officially submitted to the CA Department of Water Resources (DWR). With the submittal, it should soon trigger DWR's Comment Process period, which was extended from 60 days to 75 days.

Background:

- GSPs submitted to DWR are available online on DWR's SGMA Portal. DWR will post the plans within 20 days of submittal for public viewing. DWR's posting starts a 75-day public comment period. Public comments are welcomed and encouraged - a SGMA Portal account is not necessary.

Fiscal Impact:

n/a

Attachments:

- Exhibit A – DWR: GSP Public Comments FAQs



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