



## MINUTES

### Approval of Minutes of the July 2, 2020 Board Meeting

Director Corkins moved for the approval of the minutes of July 2, 2020 board meeting. The motion was seconded by Director Townsend and approved by way of the following roll call vote:

In Favor:

Director Galloway  
Director Holmes  
Alternate Director Knight  
Director Townsend  
Director Kisling  
Chairman Borba  
Director Schneider  
Director Corkins

Opposed: None

Abstain: Director Leider

## ADMINISTRATION

### Consider Approval of Proposal for Groundwater Management Software- Basinsafe

Eric Riley of Basinsafe provided the board with a report regarding the proposal presented to ETGSA by Basinsafe. Attached hereto and incorporated by reference as Agenda Item #5a is a copy of the report. The finance committee has recommended that the Board approve the proposal.

Director Kisling moved to approve Basinsafe's proposal for groundwater management software. The motion was seconded by Director Leider and approved by way of the following roll call vote:

In Favor:

Director Corkins  
Director Galloway  
Director Schneider  
Director Holmes  
Alternate Director Knight  
Director Leider  
Director Townsend  
Director Kisling  
Chairman Borba

Opposed: None

## Consider Approval of DRAFT ETGSA Rules and Regulations

General Counsel Mauritson provided an overview of the current draft of the ETGSA's Rules and Regulations. The draft was published on the ETGSA website, which allowed for public access of the draft and encouraged public comments regarding the rules and regulations. General Manager Caudillo also included letters received by the GSA, copies of which are collectively attached hereto as Agenda Item #5b, Exhibit B, and incorporated by reference.

The following public comments were presented:

Ryan Jensen and Justine Massey of the Community Water Center referred to the CWC's previous written comment. Additionally, they recommended that a buffer of 10% above demand be put into place for groundwater allocations, in order to accommodate community adjustment. Mr. Jensen and Ms. Massey also expressed concern regarding domestic wells, and highlighted the CWC's recommendation that ETGSA implement a domestic well mitigation program.

Don Davis of the Friant Water Authority noted FWA's continued work with staff concerning various issues. He advised that FWA appreciates ETGSA's moving forward with rules and regulations, as they are critical to mitigating subsidence impacts. Mr. Davis discussed several issues, including sustainable yield, definition of the term "water year," and the timing associated with implementation of penalties.

Garrett Busch suggested that the Rules and Regulations be circulated again to ETGSA's committees. Mr. Busch also referred to previously submitted written comments. Mr. Busch also discussed concerns regarding gross acreage allocations to lands with no history of exercise of the overlying right. Mr. Busch advocated requiring a showing of beneficial use prior to allocation. Mr. Busch also commented that recharge policies are not addressed.

Todd Turley of South Valley Farms also provided comment. He advised that his concerns were similar to those expressed by Mr. Busch. Mr. Turley also supported circulating the draft Rules and Regulations to the committees. He indicated that there are several elements of the draft that could benefit from further discussion, including the calculation of water consumed.

Steve Etchegaray also advocated circulating the draft to the committees in order to strengthen the overall product.

Sean Geivet supported approval of the draft Rules and Regulations. Mr. Geivet noted that the document would be subject to ongoing changes and adjustments over time.

Director Corkins moved to approve the draft ETGSA Rules and Regulations, and to refer the draft back to the committees for further discussion. Director Lieder seconded, and the motion and was unanimously carried by the following roll call vote:

In Favor:

Director Corkins  
Director Galloway  
Director Schneider  
Director Leider  
Director Holmes  
Alternate Director Knight  
Director Townsend  
Director Kisling  
Chairman Borba

Opposed: None

Consider Approval of Notice of Exemption for ETGSA Rules and Regulations

General Counsel Mauritsen explained the function of the Notice of Exemption under CEQA. A copy of the Notice of Exemption for the ETGSA Rules and Regulations is attached hereto as Agenda Item #5c and incorporated herein by reference.

Director Corkins moved to approve the of Notice of Exemption. Director Townsend seconded, and the motion was unanimously carried by the following roll call vote:

In Favor:

Director Corkins  
Director Galloway  
Director Schneider  
Director Holmes  
Alternate Director Knight  
Director Townsend  
Director Kisling  
Director Leider  
Chairman Borba

Opposed: None

Consider Approval of Rate Payers Report and Set Date for Public Hearing on Groundwater Extraction Fee

Consulting Engineer De Groot provided a report concerning the 2020-2021 Water Rate Study attached hereto and incorporated by reference as Agenda Item #5d. Mr. De Groot discussed the services to be financed, as well as a breakdown of water rate per acre-foot. It was the staff's recommendation to hold a public hearing for the Water Rate Study on October 1, 2020.

Director Townsend moved to approve the Study and set the date for public hearing on the Groundwater Extraction Fee for October 1, 2020. The motion was seconded by Director Kisling and unanimously carried by the following roll call vote:

In Favor:

Director Corkins  
Director Galloway  
Director Schneider  
Director Leider  
Director Holmes  
Director Townsend  
Director Kisling  
Chairman Borba

Opposed: None

## STAKEHOLDER OUTREACH AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

### Report on Ongoing ETGSA Outreach Efforts

General Manager Caudillo provided a report on the ongoing outreach efforts and upcoming events. Attached hereto and incorporated by reference as Attachment Item #6a is a copy of the report.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

### Receive Finance Committee Monthly Reports.

General Manager Caudillo presented the Finance Committee Monthly Report, a copy of which attached hereto and incorporated by reference as Agenda Item #7a.

### Receive Executive Committee and Stakeholder Committee Meetings Monthly Reports.

General Manager Caudillo provided a report. Attached hereto and incorporated by reference as Agenda Item #7b is a copy of the report on the meetings of the Executive Committee and Stakeholder Committee.

## BILLS AND WARRANTS

### Review the Financial Statements; consider ratification of bills paid and approval of bills to be paid

General Manager Caudillo provided a report on current financial standing and accounts payable. The finance committee recommends payment of the accounts. Attached hereto and incorporated by reference as Agenda Item #8a is a copy of the financial statements.

Director Kisling moved for the approval of financial statement, ratification of bills paid, and approval of bills to be paid. Director Leider seconded, and the motion was approved by the following roll call vote:

In Favor:

Director Corkins  
Director Galloway  
Director Schneider  
Director Holmes  
Alternate Director Knight  
Director Lieder  
Director Townsend  
Director Kisling  
Chairman Borba

Opposed: None

#### TULE SUBBASIN AND REGIONAL REPORTS AND ITEMS

##### Report on Tule Subbasin Coordination and TH&Co Task Items.

General Manager Caudillo provided a report. Attached hereto and incorporated by reference as Agenda Item #9a is a copy of the report. General Manager Caudillo also noted that the next meeting will be held on October 21, 2020.

##### Land IQ Report

General Manager Caudillo provided a report. Attached hereto and incorporated by reference as Agenda Item #9b, Exhibits A and B, is a copy of his report.

##### Presentation by Thomas Harder on ETGSA Land Subsidence Management Plan DRAFT

Thomas Harder provided a presentation on the draft ETGSA Land Subsidence Management Plan. Attached hereto and incorporated by reference as Agenda Item #9c is a copy of the draft plan.

Discussion ensued regarding proposed new monitoring locations and the involvement of and coordination with other GSAs.

Public comment was received from Peter Harmon. Discussion ensued regarding the Santa Margarita aquifer.

The board recommended to invite Thomas Harder to the next meeting of the Executive Committee on August 20, 2020.

CLOSED SESSION

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

[Significant Exposure to Litigation Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2)]

Number of Potential Cases: One

Claimant: Friant Water Authority

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CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

Report Action Taken in Closed Session Required by Government Code 54957.1

Chairman Borba reported there was no reportable action from closed session.

NEXT MEETING DATE

Next Regular Meeting- Thursday September 3, 2020 at 2:00 p.m.

The next regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the ETGSA Joint Powers Authority shall be held on September 3, 2020, 2:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Board, Chairman Borba adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

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Rogelio Caudillo, General Manager