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**MINUTES OF THE
ETGSA JOINT STAKEHOLDER & EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
HELD MARCH 28, 2024**

At approximately, 2:00 p.m. on March 28, 2024, Executive Committee Chairman Kisling called to order the meeting of the Joint Stakeholder & Executive Committee of the Eastern Tule Groundwater Sustainability Agency Joint Powers Authority (“ETGSA”).

Stakeholder Members Present: Don Castle David Hass
 Jason Guthrie John Gaugel
 Julia Inestroza Armando Leal
 James Parsons William Bennett
 Sopac Mulholland Tom O’Sullivan (Online)

Stakeholder Members Absent: Matthew Leider

Executive Members Present: Sean Geivet Nick Keller
 Eric Limas Michael Knight
 Steve Kisling

Executive Member Absent: Steve Etchegaray Kurt Parsons
 Denise England John M. Domondon

Others Present: Rogelio Caudillo Don Wright
 Dalee Chang Andrew Hart
 Allison Tristao David Payne
 Don Tucker Bill Wallace
 Parker Rous

PUBLIC COMMENT

Executive Committee Chairman Kisling announced the public comment period. No public comment was made.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

No announcements were made.

POLICY ISSUES

Review the draft ETGSA Tenth Amended Rules and Regulations

General Manager Caudillo presented the draft ETGSA Tenth Amended Rules and Regulations to the Committee with the specifics on addressing enforcement on the Land Subsidence Management Area requirements and locking in water bucket priority.

Executive Committee Chair Kisling provided a comment on the list of the water bucket priorities.

Stakeholder Committee member Mulholland provided a comment.

Discussion ensued.

Stakeholder Committee member Inestroza provided a comment on locking the water priority.

Don Tucker of 4Creeks addressed the Committee regarding having water priorities lock in the land subsidence management area and having landowners use surface water as the first bucket. Which isolates parcels within an account to help identify those that are in the land subsidence management area.

Stakeholder Committee member Gaugel provided a comment on fallowed land and banked water.

Executive Committee member Geivet provided a comment.

Discussion ensued regarding water bucket priority.

Stakeholder Committee Castle provided a comment on landowners who are not in compliance in the Tier 2 Management Action of the Land Subsidence Area.

Discussion ensued on report well meter to staff.

Stakeholder Committee Leal provided a comment on Wells.

Discussion ensued.

Legal Counsel Mauritson provided a comment on actions taken to those that are not in compliance.

Stakeholder Committee O'Sullivan provided a comment on the Tier 2 water bill.

Discussion ensued regarding Tier 1 and Tier 2 cost of implementation obligations.

Executive Committee member Limas provided a comment.

Discussion ensued.

Paker Rous and Andrew Hart provided a comment regarding the breakdown on the restrictions of the Land Subsidence Management Area Tier 1 allocations.

Discussion ensued.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Executive Committee member Geivet moved to recommend accepting the changes to the draft ETGSA Tenth Amended Rules and Regulations. Executive Committee member Knight seconded. Discussion amongst the Committee ensued. The Committee then unanimously voted to approve the motion.

STAKEHOLDER COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Stakeholder Committee member Castle moved to recommend accepting the changes to the draft ETGSA Tenth Amended Rules and Regulations. Stakeholder member Mulholland seconded. Discussion amongst the Committee ensued. The Committee then unanimously voted to approve the motion.

NEXT MEETING

Next Regular Stakeholder Committee Meeting – Thursday, April 11, 2024 at the Transit Multi-Purposes Center (15 E. Thurman Ave, Suite D, Porterville, CA)

The next meeting of the ETGSA Stakeholder Committee shall be set for Thursday, April 11, 2024 at 2:00 p.m.

Next Regular Executive Committee Meeting – TBD

The next meeting of the Executive Committee Meeting is to be determined.

ADJOURNMENT

Since there was no further business to come before the committee, Executive Chairman Kisling adjourned the meeting at approximately 2:57 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Rogelio Caudillo, Secretary to the Board