Kings River East Groundwater Sustainability Agency Regular Board Meeting Minutes

City of Dinuba – Council Chambers 405 East El Monte Way, Dinuba, CA 93618 February 21, 2019

- 1. Call to Order: The Regular Board Meeting of the Kings River East Groundwater Sustainability Agency was called to order by Chairman Buddy Mendes at 2:02 p.m. and the following directors were present. Alta Irrigation District Alternate, John Kalendar, Irrigation/Water Districts, David Brown, Ag Production, Steve Boos, Drinking Water Districts, Fernie Rubalcaba, Tulare County Alternate, Kyle Crocker and Cities, Mary Fast. Also, in attendance Alta Irrigation District, General Manager Chad Wegley, Controller Marc Limas, and Attorney Lauren D. Layne.
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance: Mary Fast commenced with the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 3. Potential Conflicts of Interest: None.
- 4. Public Comment: None.
- 5. Communications: None.
- 6. Board of Director Reports: None.
- 7. Consent Calendar Items: It was M/S/C unanimously by Croker/Rubalcaba to approve the consent calendar as presented.
 - 7.1. Payables Review and approve payment of January 2019 invoices. (see Insert 7.1)
 - 7.2. <u>Board Meeting Minutes</u> Review and approve minutes of January 17, 2019 regular Board meeting.
- 8. Other Board Items Take Action
 - 8.1. <u>Treasurer's Statement</u> Board of Directors reviewed the Treasurer's statement for the period ending January 31, 2019 and then it was M/S/C unanimously by Crocker/Fast to accept the Treasurer's report. (see Insert 8.1)
 - 8.2. <u>Grant Reimbursements</u> General Manager Wegley explained DWR has approved the first reimbursement of approximately \$80,000, payment should be received by summer 2019. Work continues with Denise England to process the Tulare County distressed counties grant.
 - 8.3. <u>Miscellaneous Fee Schedule</u>
 - 8.3.1. PUBLIC HEARING regarding adoption of Miscellaneous Fee Schedule. Chairman Mendes opened the Pubic Hearing at 2:09 p.m. Attorney Layne commented on the Miscellaneous Fee Schedule and how fees were calculated. Linda Launer commented that the board should be aware of the fee for not being PCI compliant when accepting credit cards. This has already been addressed by the GSA's

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treasurer. No further public comments were received. As such, Chairman Mendes closed the Public Hearing at 2:14 p.m.

8.3.2. Miscellaneous Fee Schedule. It was M/S/C unanimously by Fast/Rubalcaba to adopt Resolution 2019-02-01 setting the Miscellaneous Fee Schedule. (Insert 8.3.2)

9. Groundwater Sustainability Activities – Review for Possible Action

- 9.1. <u>GSA Invoices</u> The sample 2019 invoice was provided to the Board. It was M/S/C unanimously by Brown/Rubalcaba to move note 8, 3% late fee, to the bottom of the notes section.
- 9.2. <u>DWR Best Management Practices</u> General Manager Wegley explained he attended a two-day SGMA workshop at UC Davis. A DWR employee at that meeting mentioned that DWR will not be releasing best management practices on water quality or depletion of interconnected surface waters at this time.
- 9.3. <u>Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP)</u> General Manager Wegley explained that the draft outline of the GSP is available on the KREGSA website. The draft copy of chapter one (1) will be released to the Technical Committee for comment soon. The Advisory Committee is reviewing a draft stakeholder survey.
- 10. Legal Issues: Attorney Layne reported that Baker Manock and Jensen will be holding training on sexual harassment and AB 1234, free of charge for Directors. Attorney Layne also reminded Directors to complete their Form 700s by the end of March. Attorney Layne also discussed various bills that have, or will be introduced this legislative session: The drinking water tax will be reintroduced, ACWA is sponsoring a bill that creates a trust fund from a percentage of the general fund surplus to fund safe drinking water, recharge legislation to allow a temporary five (5) year recharge permit, and AB 336-Mathis, addressing timelines within SGMA. Attorney Layne also commented that Laurel Firestone from Community Water Center has been appointed to SWRCB. Attorney Layne also commented on the CV Salts management area encompassing the KREGSA boundaries is moving forward as well as the Turlock Subbasin.
- 11. Future Agenda Item(s): Audit Presentation.
- **12. Adjournment:** There being no further items to discuss, the meeting was adjourned by Chairman Buddy Mendes at 2:42 p.m., until the next regular scheduled meeting on March 21, 2019.

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Signed:	
	Jack Brandt, Secretary
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