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Butte County Groundwater Pumpers Advisory Committee

Meeting Minutes

September 18, 2017

Time: 8:30AM

Place: Chico State University Farm, 311 Nicholas C. Shouten Lane, Room A009 & 0010, Chico, CA

Agenda Items

1. Welcome – Chair Heringer
2. Roll Call
Members Present: Heringer, Daly, Cole, Edgar, Sohnrey, Strachan, Schooling
3. Review and approval of the July 17, 2017 GPAC minutes
Motion by Sohnrey and seconded by Daly. Passed 8-0.
4. Overview and discussion of the agenda.
Paul Gosselin gave an overview of the agenda.
5. Report and possible recommendation to the Board of Supervisors in support of the “Agricultural Groundwater Users of Butte County”
Rich McGowan gave an overview of the Agricultural Groundwater Users of Butte County. Paul Gosselin described their interaction with the County.

Motion by Rice and seconded by Daly to recommend that the Board of Supervisors adopt a resolution to, 1. recognize the value of input from the Agricultural Groundwater Users of Butte County; 2. advocate for representation of agricultural groundwater user representation in each

subbasin governance structure, 3. work constructively, cooperatively and collaboratively with landowners on the formation process towards forming a special district of a new eligible local agency if requested in the future, and; 4. support subbasin governance that recognizes and allows for new eligible local agencies to become members of the governance structure. Motion passed 8-0.

6. Presentation on Stream Aquifer Interaction in the Butte Basin
Christina Buck gave a presentation on stream aquifer interaction in the Butte Basin. Her presentation was previously given at a GRA conference in August 2017.
7. Update on GSA Formation Process and GSP Grant Status
Vickie Newlin gave an update on the GSA formation and GSP grant status.
8. Update of other SGMA issues
Staff reported that there will be an Eligible Local Agency meeting at 9AM on September 28th.
9. GPAC members wishing to address items not listed on the agenda. (The GPAC is prohibited by state law from taking action on any item presented if it is not listed on the agenda).
10. Public members wishing to address the Commission on items not listed on the agenda. (The GPAC is prohibited by State law from taking action on any item presented if it is not listed on the agenda. Comments will be limited to five minutes per person)
11. Next meeting – The GPAC decided to hold its meetings every two months. The next meeting will be in November at 8:30AM, CSU Chico Farm. Chair Heringer requested that the department present outreach to private well owners.
12. Adjournment