SACRAMENTO CENTRAL GROUNDWATER AUTHORITY (SCGA)

Budget Sub-Committee Meeting Final Minutes March 30, 2016

LOCATION: 10060 Goethe Road, Room 1213

Sacramento, CA 95827 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

MINUTES:

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Brett Ewart called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

The following meeting participants were in attendance:

Board Members:

Paul Schubert, Golden State Water Company Tom Mahon, Agricultural Interests Brett Ewart, City of Sacramento Forrest Williams, County of Sacramento Carl Werder, Agricultural-Residential

Staff Members:

Darrell Eck, SCGA Ping Chen, SCGA Ramon Roybal, SCA

Others in Attendance:

Bruce Kamilos, FRCD/EGWD Roger Kohne, City of Folsom Jonathan Goetz, GEI

2. Public Comment

None

3. <u>Discussion of the 2016-2017 Fiscal Year Budget for the Sacramento Central</u> Groundwater Authority

Jon Goetz from GEI, gave a presentation that addressed findings of the SGMA/Finance Subcommittee, presented a contribution methodology, addressed estimated level of effort and costs, and presented finance model assumptions and results.

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During discussion of the contribution methodology Mr. Schubert expressed a concern over the requirement of a seat fee being tied with an ability to vote. Mr. Schubert stated that there may be another way to accomplish the same goal.

Mr. Ewart stated that during discussions within his agency there was an expressed concern regarding the base fee for water purveyors. Specifically, the discussions contemplated what the base fee was tied to or paid for in terms of access to water supply. Mr. Ewart stated that as an example, in SGA and the North Basin, there was a Water Accounting Framework in which purveyors had agreed to distinct total annual quantities of groundwater to which an individual purveyor would have access to and the actual amount of that annual quantity that was actually pumped would constitute the usage fee. Mr. Ewart remarked that absent of a similar framework under SCGA it was a question as to what the base fee was paying for. Mr. Ewart stated that he realized that a Groundwater Accounting Program was planned for future development by SCGA and that the issue could be addressed at that time.

The subcommittee discussed the importance of bringing in the participation of Florin County Water District and Fruitridge Vista Water District with SCGA as the SGMA process developed.

The subcommittee discussed scheduling of the proposed interim finance model for adoption by the June 2016 SCGA board meeting. The committee discussed having an introductory presentation at the April 20 SCGA board meeting where background and a draft proposal for and interim finance model would be provided so that board representatives could introduce the idea to their respective agencies and constituents. A formal presentation would then be provided in May to allow representatives to gather support for June adoption.

Mr. Ewart asked for subcommittee comments of the proposed model.

Mr. Kamilos stated that he supported the proposal and recommended to Mr. Eck that if there was a need to increase staffing levels under an interim structure for SCGA, that Mr. Eck should propose it to the SCGA board.

Mr. Kohne stated that he would be reporting back to his agency regarding the proposal and that he did not foresee any significant objections.

Mr. Goetz agreed to distribute the presentation as given to the subcommittee. Mr. Goetz then asked Mr. Kohne if he could provide detail on the distribution of service connections for the City of Folsom with respect to north and south of the American River.

The subcommittee agreed to reconvene on April 20th at 11 am and again on April 28th at 1 pm if necessary.

4. Budget Committee Member Comments

None.

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ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Ewart adjourned the meeting at 3:00 pm

Upcoming meetings -

Next SCGA Board of Directors Meeting – Wednesday, April 20, 2016, 9:00 am; SASD South Conference Room 1207, Valley Oak.

By:

Chairperson

Date

Date

4/20/14

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