GLENN COUNTY TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE For the Water Advisory Committee

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MINUTES

| MEETING DATE: | Thursday, June 2, 2016 |
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| TIME: | 1:32 P.M. |
| PLACE: | Glenn County Department of Agriculture |
| | 720 N. Colusa Street, Willows, CA 95988 |

I. INTRODUCTIONS:

TAC Members Present:

| Kevin Backus | Glenn Co. Env. Health |
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| Matt Gomes | Glenn Co. PPWA |
| Lance Boyd | PID/PCGID-South Area |
| Allan Fulton (1:46) | UCCE |
| Marcie Skelton | Glenn Co. Ag Dept |
| John Brooks (1:43) | North Area |
| Leigh McDaniel | Board of Supervisors |
| Anjanette Shadley | East Area, WCWD |
| Ben Pennock | Central Area |
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Others in Attendance:

Lisa Hunter George Pendell Zac Dickens Geoff Fulks Sharron Ellis Lisa Humphreys Glenn Co. Ag Dept. Stony Creek GCID Cal Water Citizen GCFB

TAC Members Absent:

Erin Smith DWR

II. PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- **a.** A motion was made by Anjanette Shadley, with a second by Ben Pennock to approve the minutes of the November 2, 2015 meeting. The motion passed unanimously by members present.
- **b.** A motion was made by Ben Pennock, with a second by Lance Boyd to approve the minutes of the March 15, 2016. The motion was approved 4-0 with 3 abstentions (Matt Gomes, Anjanette Shadley, and Marcie Skelton).
- **c.** The minutes of the May 26, 2016 meeting were incomplete and were continued until the next TAC meeting.

IV. DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION ITEMS:

a. WAC report— Lisa Hunter provided a recap of the May 26 TAC meeting. The WAC has met a few times recently and provided direction to the TAC to work with staff to draft a letter to the Board of Supervisors for WAC consideration using the following statement as a guideline prior to the next WAC meeting on June 14:

"The WAC cannot recommend that the well moratorium be continued based on lack of sound data/science and further studies are needed to be done to gather data by a third party consultant and funding is needed to complete these studies."

Discussion on drafting the letter was provided to staff. It was recommended to highlight a water budget being foundational to groundwater management. Other suggested items include adding resources to the County's water program, funding for coordination/outreach, and attaching the list of tasks and status of the task that are included in the Preliminary Plan and the Report on Groundwater Level Declines in Western Glenn County. It was also recommended to add an approximate cost of the project if known and immediate needs. Other discussion included groundwater levels, well permit moratorium and well permitting, and safe yield and sustainability of groundwater.

Staff will draft the letter for inclusion in the June WAC meeting agenda packet for WAC consideration.

- **b.** Review spring 2016 groundwater level measurements—The spring 2016 BMO groundwater level measurements and stage alert levels were reviewed. A summary spreadsheet and map were provided as handouts. The TAC members discussed the brainstorming session handout reviewing potential recommendations that can be made to the WAC. Discussion was held regarding the three mile radius surrounding Stage 3 wells being a potential management area. Maps were shown detailing the potential options. The Stage 3 area was also compared to DWR's groundwater level change map. Another option is to clip the radius to the BMO area in which the well belonged so as not to affect a neighboring BMO area. There may be difficulty to develop actions in areas in which there is no monitoring. A well permit moratorium as a potential action within the 3 mile radius area was discussed. Additional well permit requirements within that area were also discussed. It was the general agreement that some additional action needs to take place in the Stage 3 areas. However, some issues need to be resolved such as neighboring BMO wells in different stage alert levels, and how to address unmonitored areas, or wells that were not able to be measured, that are likely in similar conditions as the Stage 3 areas. It was the consensus of the TAC to do the following:
 - Direct staff to bring back elevation, depths, and well type of the BMO wells for TAC consideration in order to further discuss creating a clearly definable line between the conflicting "No Stage Alert" wells and Stage 3 wells in the northwest area of the County.

- Bring the 3 mile radius surrounding Stage 3 wells clipped to the appropriate BMO area to the WAC for discussion and feedback.
- Recommend monthly monitoring for wells within the Stage 3 areas.
- c. Well Permit application process—This item was continued until the next TAC meeting.
- d. Export of groundwater—This item was continued until the next TAC meeting.
- e. Other topics of interest—None.

V. COMMUNICATIONS:

None discussed.

VI. NEXT MEETING:

The next TAC meeting is tentatively scheduled for late June. The next WAC meeting is scheduled for June 14, 2016.

VII. ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 4:03 p.m.