

Meeting Summary: ECC GSP

East Contra Costa GSP Model Meeting

When: Wednesday September 8, 2021, 10:00 a.m. to 11:15 a.m. Where: Zoom call

Attendees: Dan Muelrath, Faithe Lovelace, Jackson Cook, James Wolfe, Lisa Beutler, Maggie Dutton, Megan Murray, Mike Davies, Nacho Mendoza, Paul Seger, Ryan Hernandez, Scott Buenting, Tom Elson, Vicki Kretsinger

ACTION ITEMS September 2021

ITEM	OWNER	DUE
1. Latest (Aug 10) outreach and communication information sent to GSAs	Lisa	Done
2. Agencies to send Outreach and Communication info to Lisa/Megan	All Entities	Now
3. Establish a FAQ with Marilyn's input.	Stantec	Now
4. Infographic	BBID/Nick	Now
5. Send postcards to small water systems	DWD	Now
6. Outreach to Municipal Advisory Councils (MAC) of Bethel Island, Knightsen, and Byron	Ryan	Sept. 2021
7. Send GSAs a scope and budget for the first year of GSP implementation	LSCE	Sept. 2021
8. Estimate remaining grant funds for possible additional shallow data gap monitoring wells	LSCE	Sept. 2021
9. Schedule internal GSA meeting to discuss new MOU and determine lead agency	Ryan	Sept. 2021
10. Provide a DRAFT resolution for GSP Adoption for use by GSAs	LSCE	Sept. 2021

- 1. **Meeting Summary** Tom Elson provided an update on GSP Sections 5 and 9.
 - a. Section 5 has been updated to reflect water use more accurately by BBID.
 - b. Tom informed the group that there was a wide range of implementation cost estimates provided by the GSAs.
 - i. Tom reminded the group that Projects and Management Actions will be paid by individual GSAs as they apply to their jurisdictions and not shared among all the GSAs.
 - ii. Tom advised the group that they will need a new MOU for first year GSP implementation activities that are jointly shared by the GSAs. These activities include the first annual report and technical services related to data collection and analysis. In order to meet the April 1, 2022, submittal date for the first annual report, it is recommended that a new MOU that includes funding the report be in place by the end of 2021.
 - iii. Ryan will schedule the meeting after receiving a scope and cost estimate from LSCE.
 - iv. James Wolfe informed the group that City of Brentwood is willing to be the lead agency for GSP implementation, but the City is also willing to step aside if another agency wishes to assume that role.

- v. Paul Seger asked if the same parties would continue being part of the future GSP activities and if LSCE would be the consultant.
 - i. Tom responded that it is ultimately up to the GSAs to select consultants and determine how costs will be shared in the Subbasin. Tom indicated that LSCE will be pleased to continue to provide technical services for GSP implementation and anticipates no conflict of interest in doing so.
- 2. Tom provided an update on the shallow monitoring well installations. Wells at Antioch and Bethel Island have been completed and wells at the TODB site will be installed September 13th.
 - a. On September 22nd, LSCE and CCWD conducted a site walk at the Old River site. The site appears feasible, and installation will be scheduled with approval from CCWD.
 - b. Dan Muelrath asked about the feasibility of installing wells at other locations.
 - i. Tom indicated that LSCE will provide a cost update to determine if sufficient funds remain for one or more additional sites for the surface water/groundwater monitoring network.
- 3. Lisa Beutler and Megan Murray provided updates on Outreach and Communication.
 - a. The group was informed that substantial outreach has been conducted for the upcoming public meeting on September 14th.
 - i. Lisa indicated that respondents are asked to describe what they are concerned about when they RSVP for the meeting.
 - ii. Lisa also stated that Stantec is creating a document that describes what is and what is not coved in the GSP.
 - iii. The number of RSVPs has been very low to date. As a result, Megan will send targeted emails to interested parties encouraging attendance. Lisa is looking into doing additional targeted outreach.
 - iv. Paul urged the agencies to encourage members of their Boards to attend the meeting.
 - i. Lisa will prepare a meeting overview for Board members.
 - v. Vicki Kretsinger suggested that a communication meeting be organized following the September 14th event to discuss what worked or what else might be considered for outreach efforts regarding the availability of the draft GSP for public comment and sending interested parties (especially GSA board members) the GSP Executive Summary.
- 4. Ryan provided the following updates:
 - a. The newspaper notice will be going out this weekend in two papers
 - b. He provided Supervisor Burgis with the public meeting flyer.
 - i. The flyer has been posted to the agency webpage and the county's Instagram and Facebook pages.
 - ii. Ryan will also email the Municipal Advisory Council inviting them to the public meeting and encourage individuals to provide comments on the GSP. If desired, Ryan will include contact information for other GSAs that have interests in the individual MACs, specifically DWD, ECCID, and BBID.
 - c. Ryan was contacted by The Nature Conservatory requesting the draft GSP to review.

- 5. Tom reviewed the schedule for GSP adoption noting that the public comment period is open until October 6th. LSCE will address comments and distribute the final version to GSAs by October 15th.
 - a. Ryan asked LSCE to provide a draft resolution for GSP adoption that each agency may use as a template.
- 6. James let the group know the GSP grant amendment was successful and that payment had been received from PR11.
- 7. Jackson Cook provided an update from DWR on the a <u>Draft Groundwater Management and Drinking Water Well Principles and Strategies</u> document.
 - a. A 30-day public comment period ends October 7th at 5 p.m. and Jackson urges interested parties to review and engage in this process. More information can be found at the following link: https://water.ca.gov/Programs/Groundwater-Management/Drinking-Water-Principles.
 - b. On Thursday September 23, a webinar will be conducted on the draft document; Registration (gotowebinar.com)
- 8. Next meetings:
 - a. September 13th, Dry run for Public Meeting participants.
 - b. September 14th, Public Meeting 5-7pm for final public review draft ECC GSP
 - c. TBD, Subcommittee to develop new MOU
 - d. September 23rd Communications Meeting
 - e. October 13th, 10:00-11:30 ECC GSP Working Group meeting