



Meeting Summary: ECC GSP

East Contra Costa Working Group Meeting

When: Wednesday February 9, 2021, 10:00 a.m. to 11:15 a.m.

Where: Zoom call

Attendees: Abigail Fateman, Aaron Trott, Casey Wichert, Dan Muelrath, Faithe Lovelace, Greg Young, James Wolfe, Lisa Beutler, Maggie Dutton, Marilyn Tiernan, Mark Woysner, Mike Davies, Nacho Mendoza, Paul Seger, Ryan Hernandez, Scott Buenting, Vicki Kretsinger, Will Halligan

ACTION ITEMS February 2022

ITEM	OWNER	DUE
1. Send final MOU	Ryan	March 2022
2. Send Applicable Entities a list of wells in water level and water quality monitoring networks.	LSCE	Now
3. Send link to public comments on ECC GSP	LSCE	Now
4. Provide recommendations for future Monitoring Well Sites	All	March 2022
5. Review number of well permit applications in ECC	Ryan	March 2022
6. Provide a list of ongoing projects in ECC underway by ECCCHC	Ryan/ ECCHC	May 2022

MEETING SUMMARY

1. Abigail Fateman with East Contra Costa County Habitat Conservancy (ECCCHC) provided an overview of the Knightsen Wetland Restoration Project. Mark Woysner with Balance Hydrologics provided a technical overview of the project.
 - a. Dan asked what the connection is between ECCCHC and East Bay Regional Park District (EBRPD).
 - i. EBRPD is their partner for multiple projects and is already an established entity
 - b. Marilyn stated there are multiple concerned citizens along Eagle Lane
 - i. Abigail informed her their concerns are being addressed and there have been meetings to inform the residents about the project and expected impacts.
 - c. Greg Young asked whether estimates of changes in water use from existing land uses to project land uses been calculated? Has the project considered carbon offset funding? Do the lands get a funding break from the GSP?
 - i. Abigail said they have not considered carbon offset funding. Current funding is available for the planning period and the construction funding is currently being pursued.
 - d. Paul Seegar raised various concerns and questions regarding the project.
 - i. Abigail and Mark suggested a separate meeting would be a good place to address the comments and concerns
 - e. Aaron asked the groups if there are any GSAs that have a concern about the project?

- i. Dan mentioned his only concern is that the project was not included in the GSP
 - i. Abigail said she would work with Ryan and provide a list of projects within the subbasin boundary.
 - ii. Aaron asked LSCE if there is any concern about this project.
 - a. Will stated the focus of the GSP is with looking at the conditions at a subbasin level so the absence of a small project such as this should not have a significant influence on the overall results and conclusions that were developed. However, we should keep an eye on upcoming projects and when they may be implemented for inclusion in any GSP updates.
2. Faithe provided an Update on the Annual Report
3. Ryan provided an update on the MOU, waiting on one GSA member's comments before sending out final document for adoption.
 - a. Will mentioned that the MOU covers funding for GSP activities through June 2022 and that consideration of another MOU that covers funding of GSP implementation activities for the 2022/23 and subsequent fiscal years should be addressed soon.
4. Faithe informed the group there is funding available for additional wells to be installed in the Subbasin.
 - a. Dan mentioned reviewing existing wells and incorporating them into the monitoring network
5. Faithe informed the group of upcoming water level and water quality monitoring that needs to take place.
 - a. Aaron asked for a list to be provided for monitoring that needs to be conducted by the agencies.
6. Faithe provided an update on the GSP. DWR has made the adopted GSP available for public comment on the DWR SGMA website.
 - a. Mike Davies asked for a link to the comment page so his district could update the public
 - i. [SGMA Groundwater Management \(SGMA\) Portal - Department of Water Resources \(ca.gov\)](#)
7. Dan informed the group of ongoing Oil and Gas projects in the subbasin. He asked the group how we want to proceed with these types of activities in the subbasin.
 - a. Ryan and Aaron discussed having the county set up a process that would alert the Subbasin of drilling activities in the subbasin.
 - i. Dan suggests a subcommittee would be beneficial to tackle this task.
 - i. Aaron asked that Ryan review the number of permits that are filed in the ECC.
8. Next meetings:
 - a. TBD, Working Group Subcommittee
 - b. May 11th, Working Group meeting.