

**EAST TURLOCK SUBBASIN GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY  
JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY**



**The Special Meeting  
of the Technical Advisory Committee of  
East Turlock Subbasin Groundwater Sustainability Agency**

**Tuesday, September 12, 2023 – 12:00 p.m.**

**TURLOCK IRRIGATION DISTRICT  
333 East Canal Drive, Turlock, California  
Conference Room 203**

**The public can also access the meeting as follows:**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84623931634?pwd=MDUvYUYySjZZZDRmekMOVkZjZOWtRdz09>

**Meeting ID: 846 2393 1634**

**Passcode: 398393**

**One tap mobile**

+16699006833,,84623931634#,,,,\*398393# US (San Jose)

**Call in Audio**

+1 669 900 9128 US (San Jose)

**Meeting ID: 846 2393 1634**

**Passcode: 398393**

The public may participate in the meeting as otherwise permitted under the Brown Act by joining this video/conference call.

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

**2. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

Interested persons in the audience are welcome to introduce any topic within the Agency's jurisdiction. No action may be undertaken on any item not appearing on the posted agenda, except that the Board may briefly respond to the comments, refer the matter to staff, or request it be placed on a future agenda.

**3. MEETING MINUTES**

Approve minutes of the August 8, 2023 Technical Advisory Committee meeting.

**4. UPDATE ON PROPOSITION 218 FEE/ASSESSMENT**

Discussion on Prop 218 progress.

**5. UPDATE ON MULTI-BENEFIT LAND REPURPOSING PROGRAM (MLRP) BLOCK GRANT IMPLEMENTATION**

Discussion on planning and implementation of the MLRP Block Grant program.

**EAST TURLOCK SUBBASIN GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY  
JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY**



**6. OTHER GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY PLAN (GSP) IMPLEMENTATION MATTERS**

At this time Technical Advisory Committee members may discuss and take action on other GSP matters of concern, including but not limited to:

- a. Schedule for Implementation Support Activities through February 2024
- b. Tracking of Grant Pursuits
- c. Replenishment Water Update
- d. Update of Groundwater Monitoring Program
- e. Update of Pumping Management Pilot Program

**7. WATER ACCOUNTING FRAMEWORK**

Update on Water Accounting discussions.

**8. CLOSED SESSION: CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL—POTENTIAL LITIGATION**

Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (d) of Government Code Section 54956.9: (1 case).

**9. ADJOURNMENT**

The next regular scheduled Technical Advisory Committee meeting is Tuesday, October 10, 2023, 12:00 p.m. at Turlock Irrigation District, Conference Room 203.

Any materials related to items on this agenda distributed to the Technical Advisory Committee of the East Turlock Subbasin Groundwater Sustainability Agency Joint Powers Authority before the public meeting is available for inspection by contacting the Board Secretary at 209.626.5523 or [kareneastsidewater@att.net](mailto:kareneastsidewater@att.net).

**ACCOMMODATIONS FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES**

A person with a qualifying disability under the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 may request the Agency to provide a disability-related modification in order to participate in any public meeting of the Agency. Such assistance includes appropriate alternative formats for the agendas and agenda packets used for any public meeting of the Agency. Requests for such assistance and for agendas and agenda packets shall be by telephone or written correspondence by contacting the Board Secretary at 209.626.5523 or e-mailing her at [kareneastsidewater@att.net](mailto:kareneastsidewater@att.net) at least 48 hours before the public meeting.

## Meeting Minutes

### Special Technical Advisory Committee Meeting Of the East Turlock Subbasin Groundwater Sustainability Agency

August 8, 2023, 12:30 p.m.

Held in person and made available to public via Zoom

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTION OF BOARD MEMBERS

Chairperson Sarah Woolf called the meeting to order at 12:32 p.m.

**Members Present: Roll Call-** Chair, Sarah Woolf (Eastside Water District), Matt Beaman (Merced Irrigation District) (*arrived in person at 12:42 p.m. during Item 4*), Lacey McBride (Merced County), Christy McKinnon (Stanislaus County), and Dennis Yotsuya (Ballico Cortez Water District).

**Members Absent:** None.

**Other Attendees:** Mike Tietze, Katlin Harr (legal counsel), Betty Lindeman (Water and Land Solutions), and Len Mason (Formation Environmental).

**On-line Attendees:** Ryan Aston (SCI Consulting) Savannah Tjaden (Formation Environmental), and Karen Whipp.

#### 2. PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

#### 3. TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES

Member Christy McKinnon moved, seconded by Member Dennis Yotsuya to approve the July 11, 2023 Technical Advisory Committee minutes. **The motion passed unanimously.**

#### 4. UPDATE ON PROPOSITION 218 FEE/ASSESSMENT

*Member Matt Beaman arrived at 12:42 p.m. during the presentation of Ryan Aston.*

Ryan Aston, SCI Consulting gave the TAC the presentation he will present to the board at the August 16 workshop. He emailed the presentation to the TAC and asked for their input.

#### 5. UPDATE ON MULTI-BENEFIT LAND REPURPOSING PROGRAM (MLRP) BLOCK GRANT IMPLEMENTATION

Mike Tietze stated that he will give his report at the 2:00 p.m. joint ETS/WTS GSA TAC meeting.

#### 6. OTHER GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY PLAN (GSP) IMPLEMENTATION MATTERS

*Member Lacey McBride arrived during the reports and discussion on the following items.*

The committee discussed the following items:

- a. Working schedule for implementation Support Activities – There was nothing new to report.
- b. Tracking Other Grant Pursuits – Formation received grant information today and will review it and report back on it.
- c. Replenishment Water Update – there was nothing new to report.

- d. Update of Groundwater Monitoring Program – Len Mason reported that he met with DWR. Information is being prepared on the CEQA process for the landowners. The project should be operational by the beginning of the new year.
- e. Update on the Pumping Management Pilot Program – an email was sent to the participants today that the portal is finished.

**These items were information only.**

**7. DATA DISCOVERY AND NEEDS ASSESSMENT TO SUPPORT SCOPING OF A FULL-SCALE PUMPING MANAGEMENT PORTAL AND GROWER DECISION TOOL**

Mike Tietze reviewed the Data Discovery/Needs Assessment Scope with the TAC. Savannah Tjaden shared the importance of developing a framework and a full-scale pumping management portal that would be useful to the landowners. Following a brief discussion, Member Dennis Yotsuya moved, seconded by Member Matt Beaman to recommend to the board to execute a contract with Formation Environmental to complete a Data Discovery Evaluation/Needs Assessment. **The motion passed unanimously.**

**8. WATER ACCOUNTING FRAMEWORK**

Katlin Harr reported that the team is working through the negotiations. **This item was information only.**

**9. CLOSED SESSION: CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – POTENTIAL LITIGATION**

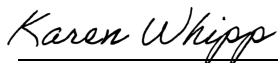
Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (d) of Government Code Section 54956.9: (1 case). There was no closed session.

**10. ADJOURNMENT**

Chairperson Sarah Woolf adjourned the meeting at 1:39 p.m.

I hereby certify that this is a full and correct copy of the minutes of the Board of Directors of the East Turlock Subbasin Groundwater Sustainability Agency of Merced and Stanislaus Counties, California.

August 8, 2023



KAREN L. WHIPP

EAST TURLOCK SUBBASIN GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY BOARD  
SECRETARY