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FCGMA STRATEGIC ADVISORY GROUP (SAG) MEETING MINUTES

A meeting of the Fox Canyon Groundwater Management Agency (FCGMA) **Strategic Advisory Group (SAG)** was held at 2:00 P.M. on Thursday, **January 24, 2007** in the Atlantic Conference Room, at the Ventura County Government Center, Hall of Administration, Main Plaza Level at 800 South Victoria Avenue, Ventura, California.

- A. **Call to Order** – SAG Chairman Hubner called the meeting to order at 2:00 P.M.
- B. **Introductions** – None
- C. **Public Comments** - None
- D. **Attending Board Member Comments** – None (Dr. Kelley arrived later at 2:17 P.M.)
- E. **Approval of Minutes** - Minutes from the December 6, 2007 Strategic Advisory Group (SAG) meeting were distributed for review. No comments – approved by general consent.
- F. **Report from Technical Advisory Group** – A summary of the TAG meeting was postponed to provide more time to hear a presentation on Item G from Waterworks Director Reddy Pakala.
- G. **Request by Ventura County Waterworks Districts No. 1 (Moorpark) and District No. 19 (Somis) for Annual Irrigation Efficiency Allocations** – As manager of the water districts and originator of the irrigation efficiency request to the FCGMA, Mr. Pakala explained the reasoning behind his recent application, and provided a verbal summary of the details and mechanisms involved in the implementation of the water use allowance. Several questions were asked by different members of the group, mostly having to do with concerns about potential water use increases, and the approval mechanism (by staff vs. the GMA Board).

Recommended Action: This issue will be brought to the Board as an Informational Item at the next regular FCGMA Board of Director's meeting.

- H. **Water TAP – Proposal to Increase Conejo Creek Diversions to Pleasant Valley** – UWCD General Manager Dana Wisehart explained that TAP was a new acronym for "Transfers Across the Plain". The presentation was then transferred to Henry Graumlich (Calleguas Municipal Water District) who explained this was really an expansion of the existing creek diversion water to reach other areas in UWCD and/or Oxnard. Henry provided a conceptual overview of the TAP program and distributed a written summary or preliminary analysis of a proposal to provide Pleasant Valley County Water District (PVCWD) with a firm 9,000 AFY over the next ten (10) years through the Conejo Creek Diversion Project. Other aspects of this proposal include recovery of credits from the Forebay Basin, shifting pumping to the northwest Oxnard Plain area, and a shelf-life for conservation credits.

Recommended Action: This SAG recommended further evaluation of this proposal by the TAG.

- I. Next Strategic Advisory Group Meeting Agenda** – The next SAG meeting is scheduled for February 20, 2008 in the General Services Building Training Room at the County Government Center. Agenda topics include: **1)** Dr. Ben Faber of the U.C. Cooperative Extension office will present a talk on irrigation efficiency, CIMIS weather stations, and best use of water (conservation in irrigation); **2)** Implementation of the FCGMA scheduled 2005-2009 five percent (5%) cutback in Historical Allocation.
- J. Adjourn Strategic Advisory Group Meeting** – The meeting was adjourned at 3:55 P.M.

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