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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, **April 24, 2008** in the **Pacific Conference Room**, at the Ventura County Government Center, Courts Building (adjacent to the Main Cafeteria) at 800 South Victoria Avenue, Ventura, California.

- A. **Call to Order** – SAG Chairman Hubner called the meeting to order at 2:05 P.M.
- B. **Introductions** – None (19 people present)
- C. **Public Comments** - None
- D. **Attending Board Member Comments** – None (Director Kelley & Alternate Director McIntyre present)
- E. **Approval of Minutes** - Minutes from the February 20, 2008 Strategic Advisory Group (SAG) meeting were approved without any comments or changes.
- F. **Report from Technical Advisory Group** – A summary of the April 7, 2008 TAG meeting was given by TAG Vice Chair David Panaro, who related the main topics of TAG discussion: Transfers Across the Plain (TAP) proposal; Salts/TMDL Issues; and refinement of the FCGMA Groundwater Management Plan (GMP) Strategy Evaluation Matrix. There were no questions or comments.
- G. **Model Results of the Water TAP (Transfers Across the Plain) proposal to increase Conejo Creek Deliveries to Pleasant Valley** – Henry Graumlich filled in for Dr. Steve Bachman (who was ill) by showing slides describing the non-modeling aspect of the TAP idea. He revealed several TAP component maps, and different versions of a flow chart to show how the TAP water would be generated, how credits would be involved in the process, and how different participating party agreements were being crafted to make the TAP plan a reality.

In summarizing the description of the working mechanisms behind the TAP idea, Mr. Graumlich related it is conceptually acceptable to all, the technical modeling portions are being carried out currently, and the necessary negotiated agreements were being developed to get everyone on board and participating as needed. The final components will be approval from the FCGMA, a better idea about how the TAP will help the aquifers over the long-term, and whether any EIR or formal permitting processes will be necessary.

Recommended Action: Mr. Graumlich will be working with the various interested stakeholders on financial arrangements for TAP over the next several weeks.

- H. **Santa Clara River Chloride TMDL** – UWCD representatives offered to give a presentation on how both East and Piru Basin wells could be used to meet the Santa Clara River TMDL

objectives for chloride. Item was postponed until the next SAG meeting due to Dr. Bachman's illness.

Recommended Action: Bring the Item back for presentation at the next meeting.

- I. **Next Strategic Advisory Group Meeting Agenda** – The next SAG meeting was scheduled for May 29, 2008. Possible agenda topics included: 1) Santa Clara River Chloride TMDL; 2) a Strategies Evaluation Matrix update from the TAG; 3) a report on the Seawater Injection Barrier project proposed as part of the City of Oxnard's G.R.E.A.T. Program (June); 4) Water Tap Model results; 5) Mobile Irrigation Lab funding; and 6) a report on plans to build a Camarillo Desalter facility (June).
- J. **Adjourn Strategic Advisory Group Meeting** – The meeting was adjourned at 3:35 P.M.