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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, **October 23, 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 2:12 P.M.
- B. **Introductions** – Special guests from UCSB Dr. Hugo Loaiciga, Tom Pingel, and Elizabeth Garcia, along with Nick Brouwer and Mark Kram from Groundswell Software introduced themselves. (a total of 17 people were present)
- C. **Public Comments** – None
- D. **Attending Board Member Comments** – None (Director Michael Kelley was in attendance)
- E. **Approval of Minutes** - Minutes from the June 26, 2008 Strategic Advisory Group (SAG) meetings were approved.
- F. **Nomination of Vice Chair to replace Dana Wisehart** – Chair Gerhardt Hubner explained that with the recent retirement of UWCD General Manager Dana Wisehart, the group needed to select a new vice chair. He asked for nominations and Tony Emmert was nominated and elected by general consensus.
- G. **UCSB Modeling of Climate Change and Sea Level Rise on the Oxnard Plain and Implications to Groundwater** – UCSB graduate researcher Thomas Pingel showed slides describing the modeling work recently begun as part of a study on sea level rise and its affects on and implications to Oxnard Plain groundwater management. Mark Kram followed up with another presentation showing how his company is assisting the study with data handling through newer software applications.
- H. **Report from Technical Advisory Group** – Dr. Steve Bachman gave a briefing on the TAG discussing the City of Camarillo's Somis-Pleasant Valley Desalter project. Since he had not completed the additional modeling for this project by the last TAG meeting, the group had not discussed the modeling results.
- I. **Update and Impact of NMFS Decision on Freeman Diversion** – Jim Kentosh presented a slide show describing the efforts and implications on the Biological Opinion from the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) to rebuild the fish ladder at UWCD's Freeman Diversion Structure on the Santa Clara River. UWCD General Manager Mike Solomon and UWCD Groundwater Manager Steve Bachman also added comments on the subject.

**Recommended Action:** *There was a request to have the FCGMA Board draft a resolution of support for UWCD.*

- J. **Strategy Evaluation Matrix** – At Dr. Bachman’s request, this item was postponed until the next meeting.
- K. **Next Strategic Advisory Group Meeting Agenda** – Possible topics for the next SAG meeting scheduled for 2:00 to 4:00 P.M. on December 11, 2008 included: 1) Hear about postponed Item J from Steve Bachman, and; 2) hear a description of the Oxnard GREAT Program from Tony Emmert.
- L. **Adjourn Strategic Advisory Group Meeting** at 4:00 P.M.