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## FCGMA TECHNICAL ADVISORY GROUP (TAG) MEETING MINUTES

of

August 16th, 2007

Minutes of the Fox Canyon Groundwater Management Agency (FCGMA) **Technical Advisory Group Meeting** held at 2:00 P.M. on Thursday, August 16, 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** – TAG Chairman Christian Laber (FCGMA) called the meeting to order at 2:05 PM.
- B. **Introductions** – Approximately 11 attendees (including FCGMA Alternate Director McIntyre) introduced themselves. Staff provided a 24-page handout in support of and reference to the topics listed in the Agenda.
- C. **Public Comments** – None
- D. **Attending Board Member Comments** – None
- E. **FCGMA Groundwater Management Plan Implementation** - Chair Laber briefly summarized a history of FCGMA and the recently adopted 2007 Groundwater Management Plan (GMP). He also summarized the Plan implementation methodology of the Plan as approved by the Board. He asked the attendees to appoint a Vice-Chair. Initially Dave Panaro (Ventura County Watershed Protection District) was nominated. He declined and indicated that for the sake of process diversity, it may be advisable to have someone outside of the VCWPD and FCGMA Staff serve in this role. Steve Bachman (United Water Conservation District [UWCD] and Calleguas Municipal Water District [CMWD]) was nominated. The group selected Bachman (UWCD/CMWD) through voice approval.
  - **Action Item:** Steve Bachman (UWCD/CMWD) selected as Vice-Chair of TAG
- F. **Technical Advisory Group** - Chair Laber explained the goals and objectives for the Technical Advisory Group (TAG) roles and responsibilities as approved and envisioned by the Board.
  - **Action Item:** None
- G. **Review of Groundwater Management Strategies (GMS) Prioritized by the Strategic Advisory Group (SAG)**– Chair Laber referred to the handout that listed all of the GMS and those prioritized by the SAG. He indicated that at this point, no tasks had been given to the TAG by the SAG. The group discussed some of the strategies and how they might be evaluated. The group determined that there was a need for prioritizing the strategies so that the group's effort could be spent on developing and evaluating projects and programs that would provide the most value and benefit to

the FCGMA for both the short- and long-term. The group developed a list of criteria upon which to prioritize the strategies.

- **Action Item:** FCGMA staff will add the list of discussed prioritization criteria to the GMS list distributed at the meeting, and send it to the TAG members. The TAG members will provide feedback at the next meeting.

**H. Technical Advisory Group** – The group briefly discussed some of the technical tools and resources that may be available that would assist the TAG in fulfilling its objectives. They also briefly reviewed the sample work product developed by the FCGMA staff that could provide a basis for reporting the results of the TAG analysis back to the SAG and the Board.

- **Action Item:** Curtis Hopkins (Hopkins Groundwater Consultants, Inc.) volunteered to look at the sample work product and develop a simplified table or form that might assist the TAG with its accomplishing its objectives.

**I. Next Technical Advisory Group Meeting Agenda** - The next SAG meeting was tentatively scheduled for September 6, 2007 at 2:00 PM. At the time, the location couldn't be confirmed. Staff indicated they would research available meeting locations at the County offices and confirm the time and location to all participants by electronic mail. The group decided to hold future meetings on the first Thursday of each month (if possible) and try to limit meetings to two hours.

**J. Adjourn Technical Advisory Group Meeting**

The meeting was adjourned at 4:00 P.M.

Submitted by:

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Christian S. Laber  
TAG Chairman

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**Electronic Information and Updates:** Additional meeting minutes and general information can be found at: [www.foxcanyongma.org](http://www.foxcanyongma.org) or <http://publicworks.countyofventura.org/fcgma>. Online information includes: Board meeting and special meeting schedules, special and general announcements, a list of the Board members and staff, weather station data, general information, and various Agency forms. If you need further information, please contact Christian Laber, the Staff Geologist at (805) 650-4083, or Sheila Lopez, the FCGMA Engineering Technician at (805) 645-1372.