MINUTES of Executive Committee (EC) Meeting Yolo Subbasin Groundwater Agency (YSGA) October 29, 2020, 12:30 -1:00 pm Teleconferenced GoToMeeting

<u>Present:</u> Roger Cornwell, Jesse Loren, Kurt Balasek, Kristin Sicke, Donna Gentile, Elisa Sabatini Absent: Tim O'Halloran, Lynnel Pollock

- 1. Call to Order: Meeting was called to order by Roger Cornwell, Chair at 12:30 pm.
- 2. Approve Agenda and Adding Items to the Posted Agenda: Kurt Balasek motioned to approve the agenda. Roger Cornwell seconded the motion that was unanimously approved.
- 3. Public Comment: No comments.
- **4. Administrative Items** (Gentile): Kurt motioned to approve all Consent Items. Roger seconded the motion that was unanimously approved. Kurt was concerned that he couldn't approve the minutes of the last meeting because he was not in attendance. Kristin reported that she has been legally advised that it is acceptable to approve the minutes even though a member was not in attendance.
 - a) <u>September 14, 2020 meeting minutes</u> were approved.
 - b) Reviewed financials: FY2020-21: July 1 October 23, 2020: The EC reviewed the financials. Donna has left messages for the last agency whose FY2020-21 dues is still pending payment, but has not received a response yet. She reviewed the balance sheet and the need to transfer money from the Yolo County Treasury to pay outstanding invoices.

Kristin summarized the status of grants funds expended and remaining to-date with the various consultant contracts with YCFC&WCD for the YSGA's Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP). Once the YCFC&WCD is invoiced by the consultants, they include these expenses in their Project Management invoicing to the YSGA. The YCFC&WCD has submitted for reimbursement approximately \$750,000 of the total \$1 million DWR grant. When this funding source is fully expended, then the YCFC&WCD will start to invoice the YSGA for the GEI, SEI and other project consultants' contract billings. During the recent LAFCo Service Review for the YSGA, they recommended for transparency purposes that all financial transactions related to the YSGA be recorded on the YSGA books even though these expenses/revenue are going through the YCFC&WCD. The YCFC&WCD is the agency under contract with the California Department of Water Resources (DWR) on behalf of the YSGA. Kristin informed that we will start LAFCo's recommendation moving forward. She will give a more detail accounting of the status of the grant contact at the next EC meeting.

- c) <u>Pending Yolo County Treasury funds withdrawal to First Northern Bank:</u> A minimum of \$200,000 is recommended by Donna to cover current expenses and invoices received.
- d) <u>Payments to approve</u>: Additional invoice received from YCFC&WCD for FY2020-21Groundwater Monitoring Program contribution \$42,064.
- 5. Discuss the Funding Mechanism Ad-hoc Committee (Sicke): Kristin received a lot of interest to participate on the Ad-Hoc Committee. She is making a diligent effort that agriculture and urban interests are equally represented. Xochitl, City of Woodland, is interested, however, although her city council term ends in December we are hopeful whoever replaces her will also be interested in participating. Kristin sent out a Doodle poll to schedule the first meeting soon. For the kick-off meeting, it is planned to have Tim O'Halloran lead a discussion on how we got here, his vision, future alternative funding mechanisms and a 1, 5 and 10 year projected plan for the YSGA.

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6. YSGA Board Meeting: November 16, 2020, 3:30 to 5:00 pm

The EC discussed the November agenda. The meeting will start at 3:30 pm to accommodate WRA's DWR presentation. YSGA Board members will be invited to join early if interested in this topic.

- Executive Officer Report
- Consent Items: Board and Committee minutes & Financial Reports, plus approved LAFCo Service Review for YSGA
- Legislative and Regulatory Update, NCWA
- Presentation: possible groundwater recharge project by Rosemary Knight at this meeting or future meeting.
- GSP Development Update
- 7. Other Updates & Future Executive Committee Agenda Items: Donna has updated the YSGA website to include a Public Outreach section, additional management area calendar meetings and other miscellaneous transparency improvements. Kristin reported that the YCFC&WCD has hired two new water resource technicians that will be predominately be assisting with YSGA groundwater monitoring program related activities and some of the administrative tasks during Donna's transition period. Jesse reported that Winters will have a new city manager starting on November 9th, Kathleen Salguerro Trepa. The Winters Putah Creek Committee will be redefined to encompass natural resources.
- 8. Next Executive Committee Meeting Date: December 16, 2020. 12:30 p.m. via GoToMeeting.
- **9.** Adjourned at 1:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna L. Gentile

Board Secretary & Administrative Coordinator