AGENDA

ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Tuesday, November 2, 2021

324 S. Santa Fe, Visalia

10:00 AM

Zoom Call Information

Join Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81506037527

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Meeting ID: 815 0603 7527

1. **ADMINISTRATION**
   - A. Additions or Deletions to the Agenda
   - B. Approval of October 5, 2021, Meeting Minutes - Action Item
2. **EAP IMPLEMENTATION**
   - A. Current EAP Activities
     1. Update on Safe Drinking Water Program applicant, well testing, bottled water delivery, and fill station usage.
     2. Update on Various Outreach Activities
        - a. Summary of the in-person Outreach Activities
        - b. Targeted Outreach Mailer
   - B. Other Constituent Sampling
     1. SAFER Co-Funding Status Update
3. **ADJOURNMENT**

Next Meeting: December 7, 2021, at 10:00 AM

MINUTES OF THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

November 2, 2021

The Tule Basin Management Zone Advisory Committee met jointly on November 2, 2021, at the 4Creeks Office in Visalia, CA and via Zoom Video Conference. The meeting was called to order by Chairman De Groot at 10:015 AM. Those in attendance included:

Advisory Committee Members

TBMZ MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVES	
David De Groot	*Committee Chairman*
Dana Horne	*California Dairies Inc.*
J. P. Cativiela(alt)	*CVDRMP*

INTERESTED PARTIES REPRESENTATIVES	
Blanca Escobedo	*Leadership Counsel*
Eric Warren	*RWQCB*
Bryan Osorio	*CWC*
Rogelio Caudillo	*GSA Rep.*

Others present:

Matt Razor, 4 Creeks
Don Tucker, 4Creeks
Patricia Pullen, 4Creeks
Denise England
R Alvarez
Anne Walters
Zaira Lopez
David Wierenga, DEID GSA
Marliez Diaz
Susan Greenwood, Caltrans
Sean Geivet
Ed Glass, Keller-Wegley Engineering
John-Michael Domondon, LTRID GSA
Sue Yang
Kern-Tulare Water District
Michael Knight, City of Porterville
Deanna Jackson, TCWA GSA

ADMINISTRATION

Chairman De Groot requested additions to or deletions from the published Agenda and Committee member Osorio requested an agenda item be added on the frequency of resampling wells.

The minutes of the October 5, 2021, Tule Basin Management Zone Advisory Committee meeting, by motion of Committee Member Rogelio Caudillo, seconded by Committee Member Dana Horne and unanimously carried, were approved.

OPERATIONS

Don Tucker provided program updates for the following items: safe drinking water program, well testing, and water delivery. The following table summarizes the results for the various program activities.

Safe Drinking Water Program Summary to Date	
Number of Safe Drinking Water Program Inquiries Received	123
Number of Domestic Wells tested to date	25*
Nitrate Exceedances	15
Number of households receiving bottled water	21*
** Three wells that exceeded 10 mg/L served multiple homes	

Don Tucker also reported that the County permits have been approved for the Pixley Community Fill Station and contractor bids have been requested. Staff is working with the PUD to finalize agreements and hope construction can begin before the end of 2021. Preliminary Site plans are being reviewed by Porterville Irrigation District and discussions with connecting to the City of Porterville water system are on-going for the West Porterville fill station. Staff is also planning to mail out targeted Safe Drinking Water Program postcards at the end of November 2021

Patricia Pullen provided a recap of all recent outreach activities, shared details about targeted school Safe Drinking Water Program flyers distributed at Strathmore Union School on October 7, and, through a partnership with TCOE School Health Programs, at Tipton School on October 27, 2021.

Chairman De Groot presented an update on SAFER Co-Funding and stated that the development of a public benefit 501(c)(3) corporation will be coordinated with Attorney Jill England. A proposed program budget meeting was held and a schedule for the proposal development will be set.

Chairman De Groot discussed nitrate retesting according to the Revised Early Action Plan and stated that if well sample results show NO_3N levels less than or equal to 10.0 mg/L but greater than or equal to 7.5 mg/L- NO_3N, the Management Zone will offer follow-up well testing. We will offer to retest at no cost within one year of the initial well test. If the property owner does not want their well re-tested, no additional follow-up will occur. If the property owner agrees to have the well re-tested and the result remains between 7.5 and 10 mg/L- NO_3N, then we will continue to reach out on an annual basis and offer to retest at no cost.

Consensus was reached on skipping the December 2021 Advisory Committee Meeting as proposed by Committee Member J.P. Cativiela. In lieu of a meeting, the December TBMZ Program Summary will be provided via email on December 7, 2021.

ADJOURNMENT

The next meeting of the Tule Basin Management Zone Advisory Committee is scheduled for January 4, 2022.

There being no further business at this time, the Tule Basin Management Zone Advisory Committee was adjourned at 10:48 am.

Respectfully submitted,

David De Groot, Secretary