

MEETING NOTES – Merced GSP

SUBJECT: Merced GSP Coordination Committee Meeting

DATE/TIME: November 8, 2022, 2:00 PM to 3:00 PM

LOCATION: Online via Zoom

Coordination Committee Members in Attendance:

	Representative	GSA
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Hicham ElTal	Merced Irrigation-Urban GSA
<input type="checkbox"/>	Stephanie Dietz	Merced Irrigation-Urban GSA
<input type="checkbox"/>	Justin Vinson	Merced Irrigation-Urban GSA
<input type="checkbox"/>	Daniel Chavez	Merced Irrigation-Urban GSA
<input type="checkbox"/>	Ken Elwin (alternate)	Merced Irrigation-Urban GSA
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Eric Swenson	Merced Subbasin GSA
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Mike Gallo	Merced Subbasin GSA
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Nic Marchini	Merced Subbasin GSA
<input type="checkbox"/>	George Park (alternate)	Merced Subbasin GSA
<input type="checkbox"/>	Kel Mitchel	Turner Island Water District GSA #1
<input type="checkbox"/>	Tim Allan (alternate)	Turner Island Water District GSA #1

Meeting Notes

1. Call to Order and Welcome

- a. **Coordination Committee members in attendance did not form a quorum, so the Coordination Committee meeting was not formally called to order.** Chris Hewes (Woodard & Curran [W&C]) started the informal meeting at 2:05 pm. Agenda items 2 and 3 were skipped.

2. Roll Call

- a. Agenda items 2 and 3 were skipped.

3. State of Emergency Teleconference Findings

- a. Agenda items 2 and 3 were skipped.

4. Public Comment

- a. None received.

5. Prop 68 Implementation Planning & Projects Grant Round 2 Application

- a. Liz DaBramo (W&C) described the grant application and ran through summaries of each of the projects that have been submitted by project proponents to Woodard & Curran. She also presented the aggregate project ranking by Coordination Committee members (provided via Survey Monkey prior to the meeting) that will be used to indicate order of local preference for project funding if DWR is unable to fund the total request.
- b. Meeting attendees discussed and decided to:

- i. Remove the relatively lower ranked “Merced ID Howard McCoy Regulating/ Recharge Reservoir and Well Site (Implementation)” project from the application entirely.
- ii. Modify the “MIUGSA Well Registration and Extraction Measurement Program (Implementation)” project to install up to 400 flow meters on production wells (up from 100), with a corresponding increase in budget at least partially offset from the removed Howard McCoy project.
- iii. Set aside \$200,000 for grant administration; previously only \$100,000 was reserved for the Round 1 application and Matt Beaman (MIUGSA) thinks the level of effort for this administration is generally higher than \$100,000.
- iv. Hicham ElTal (MIUGSA) will work with the urban agencies to see if it’s possible to identify an additional urban project to include as part of the grant application (by 11/11) within the remaining potential funds to bring the total grant application amount to \$20M.
 1. Meeting attendees agreed with this proposal, with an understanding that the new proposed project will be populated in the same ranked order placement as the removed Howard McCoy Regulating/Recharge Reservoir and Well Site project.
 2. If a suitable urban project cannot be identified, Hicham was OK with leaving some additional funds on the table, given the need to have a strong aggregated application. Alternatively, MIUGSA may be able to add one more pilot project to the “MIUGSA Pilot, Small-Scale Recharge Projects (Planning)”.
- c. GSA staff discussed splitting the cost to prepare the application based on the share of dollars requested by each GSA in the grant application, rather than via the cost share in the GSA MOU. This is similar to previous grant application preparation efforts.

6. Next steps and adjourn

- a. The informal meeting ended at approximately 2:45pm.

Next Regular Meeting
TBD – expected January 2023
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