

**Petaluma Valley Groundwater Sustainability Agency
Advisory Committee Meeting
MEETING SUMMARY**

Meeting date/time: November 21, 2017 | 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Location: Petaluma Community Center, 320 N. McDowell Blvd. Petaluma

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MEETING RECAP

- Rich Wilson, facilitator, welcomed all attendees and kicked off the meeting.
- No members of the public wished to provide comment.
- Valerie Quinto, Interim Administrator for the GSA, shared updates from the GSA Board Meeting, and will provide the Advisory Committee with a link to the USGS presentation from that board meeting. A question also came up regarding the “holes” in the basin, which will be addressed by staff at a future meeting.
- Sally Van Etten and Bob Reed gave a presentation on the rate study that they will be conducting on behalf of the GSA. They discussed approaches possible under Propositions 26 and 218, and indicated that regulatory fees under Proposition 26 would likely be the best approach for the short-term financial needs associated with development of the Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) and GSA operations during the GSP development period. The Advisory Committee asked questions and provided initial feedback. The Advisory Committee will receive ongoing updates on rate study progress and will have the opportunity to provide feedback at future meetings.
- Ann DuBay of the Water Agency shared the draft Community Engagement Plan. The Advisory Committee provided initial feedback and discussed the Committee’s role in outreach. A future agenda item was requested where Advisory Committee members can discuss their own community involvement and who outreach to which groups. Tad Bedegrew from the Department of Water Resources referenced a DWR guidance document on community engagement. Valerie will provide a link to that document. Ann requested that Committee members send any additional feedback on the Community Engagement Plan to her by December 11, 2017.
- Rich Wilson led group discussion of the second draft Advisory Committee charter. The Committee discussed and agreed to desired edits, and adopted the charter by consensus. Some potential edits were tabled for future discussion, including process for removal of Advisory Committee members who are not behaving appropriately, and process for recruiting new members. It was requested that, in the future, staff use tracked changes when sending out edited document versions.

Summary of Action Items

<i>Action Item</i>	<i>Responsible Party</i>	<i>Deadline</i>
Provide Committee with a link to the USGS presentation to the GSA Board	Valerie Quinto	Before next meeting (January 2018)
Pass along question about “holes” in the basin to Water Agency staff to be answered at next meeting	Valerie Quinto	Before next meeting
Add item to future agenda where Advisory Committee members can discuss their own community involvement and who outreach to which groups	Valerie Quinto, Rich Wilson	None set

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Send out link to DWR guidance document on community engagement	Valerie Quinto	Before next meeting
Send any additional comments or suggested edits to the Community Engagement Plan	Advisory Committee Members	December 11, 2018
Use tracked changes on edited documents in the future	All GSA staff	Ongoing

Next Meeting: January 10, 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m., Petaluma Community Center

Website for meeting material posting: <http://www.sonomagroundwater.org/pv/>

MEETING ATTENDEES¹

Advisory Committee Members

Russ Ahlgrim, Agriculture Representative
 Andy Rodgers, Business Representative
 John Shribbs, Environmental Representative
 Clayton Engstrom, Rural Residential Representative
 Heidi Bauer, City of Petaluma Representative
 Gary Mickelson, County of Sonoma Representative
 Eugene Camozzi, North Bay Water District Representative
 Martha Murphy, Sonoma County Water Agency Representative
 Lindsey Strain, Sonoma Resource Conservation District Representative

Advisory Committee Members Absent

Scott Tweeten, At Large Representative

Staff

Valerie Quinto, Interim Administrator
 Jay Jasperse, Plan Manager
 Ann Dubai, Sonoma County Water Agency
 Lauren Dunlap, Sonoma County Water Agency
 Tito Sasaki, North Bay Water District
 Rich Wilson, Center for Collaborative Policy (facilitator)

Consultants

Sally Van Etten, Raftelis Financial Consultants, Inc.
 Bob Reed, the Reed Group

¹ In addition to Advisory Committee Members, staff and consultants, two members of the public attended the meeting.