

MEETING SUMMARY

GROUNDWATER ADVISORY COMMITTEE (GWAC)

November 17, 2020

Video Conference Meeting 9:00am -11:15am

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GWAC Members:	WRD Staff:	Others:
Ken Masten, Chair Marshall Gannett, Vice Chair Susan Baker Phil Brown Mark Owens Scott Kruger John Stadel (by phone)	Justin Iverson Raquel Rancier Travis Kelly Mike Thoma Deidre Dooley Carlos Ortiz-Turner	Peggy Lynch

A. Call to Order and Introductions

Vice Chair Marshall Gannett called the meeting to order at approximately 9:01 AM
(Video Link: https://youtu.be/SRTLyhEar_g)

C. Legislative Update

0:14:22 (video recording, https://youtu.be/SRTLyhEar_g?t=862)

Racquel Rancier, Policy Manager, provided an update regarding groundwater-related legislative and budget matters

0:38:52 (video recording, https://youtu.be/SRTLyhEar_g?t=2332)

Committee Comments and discussion

Additional links for reference provided by Racquel Rancier:

- [Item F - Legislative Update](#)
- [Post-Fire Water Right Considerations](#)
- [Assessing Damage to Wells After Fire](#)

D. The Klamath Basin Groundwater Update

0:45:08 (video recording, https://youtu.be/SRTLyhEar_g?t=2707)

Justin Iverson, Groundwater Section Manager, provided an update regarding the Harney Basin groundwater study.

0:52:04 (video recording, https://youtu.be/SRTLyhEar_g?t=3124)

Justin provided updates on groundwater activities in the Klamath Basin

0:55:13 (video recording, https://youtu.be/SRTLyhEar_g?t=3313)

Committee comments and discussion

1:01:43 (video recording, https://youtu.be/SRTLyhEar_g?t=3703)

Justin Iverson provided an update regarding the Walla Walla Basin Study

E. Wells and Wildfires

1:10:17 (video recording, https://youtu.be/SRTLyhEar_g?t=4217)

Raquel Rancier, Policy Manager, provided an update regarding wells and wildfires

1:21:20 (video recording, https://youtu.be/SRTLyhEar_g?t=4880)

Committee comments and discussion

F. GWAC Membership Candidates

1:22:14 (video recording, https://youtu.be/SRTLyhEar_g?t=4934)

Justin Iverson presented the Department's recommendations to the Commission

1:25:15 (video recording, https://youtu.be/SRTLyhEar_g?t=5114)

Committee comments and discussion

G. Well Inspection Protocol Review

1:26:53 (video recording, https://youtu.be/SRTLyhEar_g?t=5207)

Travis Kelly, Well Construction Program Coordinator, presented recent joint efforts between the Department and OGWA members to review and refine the Department's well log review and well inspection protocols. Travis also presented a new well inspection data entry application.

1:54:24 (video recording, https://youtu.be/SRTLyhEar_g?t=6864)

Committee comments and discussion

H. Public Comment

2:06:16 (video recording, https://youtu.be/SRTLyhEar_g?t=7579)

Scott Kruger had a comment regarding his service with the Committee.

B. Approval of Meeting Summary

2:08:48 (video recording, https://youtu.be/SRTLyhEar_g?t=7728)

Approval of the June 23, 2020 meeting summary (postponed at beginning of meeting).

Phil Brown motioned to approve the minutes, seconded by John Stadel. Voting in favor of the motion: Masten, Gannett, Baker, Brown, Owens, and Kruger.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 11:14 AM.

This meeting summary was prepared by Carlos Ortiz-Turner and Justin Iverson.