



TULE BASIN MANAGEMENT ZONE

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MINUTES OF THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

September 5, 2023

The Tule Basin Management Zone (TBMZ) Advisory Committee met jointly September 5, 2023, at the 4Creeks Office in Visalia, CA and via Zoom Video Conference. The meeting was called to order by Don Tucker at 10:05 AM. Those in attendance included:

Advisory Committee Members

TBMZ MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVES

David De Groot (absent) *Committee Chairman*
Josh Pitigliano *TBWQC*

INTERESTED PARTIES REPRESENTATIVES

Rogelio Caudillo *GSA Representative*
Travis Wentworth *Self Help Enterprises*
Eric Warren *RWQCB*

Others Present:

Don Tucker, 4Creeks	Tom Barcellos, CVDRMP
Charlotte Schuil, 4Creeks	Hannah Dailey, CVRWB
Patricia Pullen, TBMZ	Gunnar Tornstrom
Samir Trehan, 4Creeks	Bill Hendrickson, California Dairies, Inc.
J.P. Cativiela, CVDRMP	Carol Vaught, TDSD
Vincent Sola, TBWQC	
Ed Glass, Poplar CSD	

ADMINISTRATION

No additions or deletions from the published Agenda were provided.

The minutes of the July 11, 2023, Tule Basin Management Zone Advisory Committee meeting, by motion of Member Josh Pitigliano, and seconded by Member J.P. Cativiela, were unanimously carried and approved.

OPERATIONS

Samir Trehan provided a recap of the Final Management Zone Implementation Plan which will be submitted September 5, 2023 and included a review of community needs ranking, data sources, and next steps.

Don Tucker presented Safe Drinking Water Program updates including data well tests, and water deliveries. Patricia Pullen presented outreach activities through August. The data is summarized in the tables below.

Safe Drinking Water Program	Historical Data May 2021 - June 2023	July	August	Cumulative
Inquiry Forms	349	16	22	387
Wells Tested	128	11	6	145
Nitrate Exceedances	59	4	2	65
Water Deliveries	73	5	2	80



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In-Person Outreach Statistics	July	August
Attendees	1120	720
People Reached	980	650
Brochures Distributed	867	650
Inquiries Completed	16	22
Surveys Completed	4	3
Outreach Events	7	8
Outreach Communities	Alpaugh, Earlimart-2, Poplar, Porterville, Richgrove, Tipton	Allensworth, Ducor, Earlimart, Plainview, Porterville-2, Springville, Strathmore

Don Tucker provided a Fill Station update and indicated that the Pixley Fill Station was constructed through grant funding received by the PUD and the fill station is currently available for use. TBMZ is working with Pixley PUD to enter into a financial agreement to aid with fill station needs.

In Porterville, a PRC Draft Application was submitted to the City of Porterville for a location review by Porterville Irrigation District.

Charlotte Schuil provided an update on the SAFER Grant Proposal indicating that Management Zone received funding approval from the State Water Resources Control Board's (State Water Board) Division of Financial Assistance on March 23, 2023 for the SAFER Program Expanding Co-contaminant Well Sampling and Replacement Water Project. TBWF is working with DFA through various project components to execute a final agreement and DFA staff has indicated they expect it to take approximately two or more months.

ADJOURNMENT

The next meeting of the Tule Basin Management Zone Advisory Committee is scheduled for November 7, 2023. There being no further business at this time, the Tule Basin Management Zone Advisory Committee was adjourned at 10:37 am.

Respectfully submitted,

David De Groot, Secretary