



TULE BASIN MANAGEMENT ZONE

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MINUTES OF THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

January 9, 2024

On January 9, 2024 the Tule Basin Management Zone (TBMZ) Advisory Committee was called to order by Samir Trehan at 10:03 AM. Those in attendance at the 4Creeks Office in Visalia, CA and virtually via Zoom Video Conference included:

Advisory Committee Members

TBMZ ADVISORY COMMITTEE

J.P. Cativiela	<i>CVDRMP</i>
Rogelio Caudillo	<i>GSA Representative</i>
E.J. Werlyklein	<i>Central Valley Water Board</i>
Tami McVay	<i>Self Help Enterprises</i>

INTERESTED PARTIES

Travis Wentworth	<i>Self Help Enterprises</i>
Eric Warren	<i>RWQCB</i>
Michael Knight	<i>City of Porterville</i>
Kija Rivers	<i>Community Water Center</i>

Others in Attendance

Charlotte Schuil, 4Creeks	Patricia Pullen, TBMZ
Liz Chapman, 4Creeks	Allison Tristao, LTRID
Samir Trehan, 4Creeks	Ed Glass, Community Representative

ADMINISTRATION

No additions or deletions from the published Agenda were provided.

The minutes of the November 7, 2023, Tule Basin Management Zone Advisory Committee meeting, by motion of Mr. Travis Wentworth, and seconded by Ms. Allison Tristao, were unanimously carried and approved.

OPERATIONS

Samir Trehan provided an update for the Management Zone Implementation Plan, submitted September 5, 2023, along with a review of previous and upcoming MZIP related activities. Mr. Trehan updated the group on the letter of completeness received by the Central Valley Water Board, the Board Workshop that was held on December 7, 2023, and the public comment letters received regarding the MZIP from various organizations.

Patricia Pullen presented Safe Drinking Water Program updates including data well tests, and water deliveries. Patricia Pullen presented outreach activities through December 2023. The data is summarized in the tables below.

Safe Drinking Water Program	Historical Data May 2021 – October 2023	November 2023	December 2023	Cumulative
Inquiry Forms	416	13	5	434
Wells Tested	159	4	4	167
Nitrate Exceedances	66	2	3	71
Water Deliveries	79	1	3	83



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In-Person Outreach Statistics	November 2023	December 2023
Attendees	1039	935
People Reached	983	730
Brochures Distributed	946	635
Inquiries Completed	13	5
Surveys Completed	8	10
Outreach Events	10	6

Charlotte Schuil provided a Fill Station update and informed the Committee that a Pixley Fill Station was constructed through grant funding received by the PUD and the fill station is currently available for use. TBMZ is now exploring a fill station collaboration with the community of Tipton to best serve the management zone service area with free, clean drinking water. Ms. Schuil informed the committee of the two potential sites that have been identified. In Porterville, a Project Review Committee (PRC) Draft Application was submitted to the City of Porterville for a location review by Porterville Irrigation District. The City of Porterville gave engineering comments on the project, and the engineering comments have been addressed. Plans were re-submitted to the City of Porterville PRC.

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. Ms. Schuil shared that TBWF has begun co-contaminant testing.

ADJOURNMENT

The next meeting of the Tule Basin Management Zone Advisory Committee is scheduled for May 7, 2024 at the 4Creeks Office located at 324 S. Santa Fe St. Visalia, CA. There being no further business at this time, the Tule Basin Management Zone Advisory Committee was adjourned at 10:27 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Samir Trehan, Alternate Secretary