



Minutes for Poso Creek IRWM Plan Implementation Meeting

Location: **GEI Consultants, Bakersfield Office**

Meeting Date and Time: **Wednesday, December 18, 2019; 10:30-12 PM**

Attendees are welcome to call in to this public meeting on a conference line.

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1. **Call to Order and Roll Call** – The meeting was called to order by Dana Munn, attendees signed in on the attendance.
2. **Agenda Modifications** - The Regional Water Management Group (RWMG) may modify the regular agenda by making corrections, tabling items, adding urgency items to the agenda or changing the order in which items are considered. – **None**.
3. **Public Comment** - Any member of the public may address the RWMG relating to any non-agenda matter within the Poso Creek IRWM Plan Region. The RWMG is not responsible for the content or accuracy of statements made by members of the public. – **None**.
4. **Introductions and Recognition of Guests** – Introductions were initiated by Dana Munn.
5. **Activity Summary and Acceptance of previous meeting Minutes** – Ram Venkatesan moved to accept the minutes, Isela Medina seconded, motion passed.
6. **Discussion Topics and Status Reports**
 - a. Review and approval of 2020 Operating Budget – Shafter-Wasco has annexed in an additional 10,000 acres with LAFCO approval and will need to increase proportional payment and retroactively contribute to past expenses. For 2020 budget, SWID will increase its payment proportions and an evaluation of the EA for the Poso Creek IRWM Region will be conducted. Isela Medina moved to approve the 2020 budget, Ram Venkatesan seconded, motion passed.
 - b. Drought Contingency Plan (agreement by Reclamation through SWID) – Presentation and approval of Work Plan and Communication & Outreach Plan – Matt Mayry, GEI Consultants, presented the Draft Drought Work Plan, Communication & Outreach Plan, as well as the drought contingency planning schedule. GEI will coordinate with Reclamation to provide the Group with a list of eligible in-kind contributions in order to identify/fulfill cost match requirements. Communication & Outreach Plan is not required to be approved at this time. Isela Medina motion to approve the Draft Work Plan contingent upon Poso Creek Group comments by January 10th and approval of submission extension by Reclamation, Skye Grass seconded, motion passed.
 - c. IRWM Plan Update and next steps for Plan adoption – GEI will set up a shared file with DWR to provide the plan for public posting. Further, GEI will work with Semitropic WSD and provide necessary documents to update the Poso Creek IRWM website.



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- d. Update on grant application for Prop 1 Round 1 IRWM Implementation funding and update on budget – [Sam Schaefer gave update on DWR requested information. DWR has yet to give notice of an award.](#)
 - e. Update on activity through Project Advisory Committee for the DAC Involvement Program in the Tulare-Kern Funding Area (TKFA DACIP), administered through Tulare County – [Christine Gutierrez and Stephanie Hearn continue to attend meetings. All contracts with the County of Tulare have been signed and projects are underway.](#)
 - f. Discussion of DAC Representative election – [Christine Gutierrez will send out deadline for candidate response.](#)
 - g. Other items and concerns – [Isela Medina identified the need to add a recurring agenda item for High Speed Rail coordination. Sam Schaefer provided a brief overview of the ongoing activity with HSRA.](#)
7. **Funding Opportunities**
- a. State: No applicable opportunities currently.
 - b. Federal: No applicable opportunities currently.
8. **Anticipated Action Items; additional items to be added at the workshop/meeting**
- Continue to coordinate with the TKFA DACIP and Needs Assessment
 - DAC Representative election – pending candidate response
 - GEI will provide Semitropic WSD with necessary documents/links
9. **Suggested Date and Agenda Items for Next Regular Meeting**: Next scheduled date for a regular public meeting or special workshop is TBD – [The proposed next meeting will be held in the first week of February.](#)
10. **Adjournment** – [Meeting adjourned by Ram Venkatesan.](#)

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