

**Paso Basin Cooperative Committee  
Minutes (Approved)  
September 12, 2018**

**The following members or alternates were present:**

**John Hamon**, Chair, Member, City of Paso Robles  
**John Peschong**, Vice Chairperson, County of San Luis Obispo  
**Willy Cunha**, Secretary, Member, Shandon-San Juan WD  
**Reginald Cousineau**, Member, Heritage Ranch CSD  
**Kelly Dodds**, Member, San Miguel CSD

<p><b>1. Call to Order</b></p> <p><b>2. Pledge of Allegiance</b></p> <p><b>3. Roll call</b></p>	<p>Chairperson Hamon calls the meeting to order at 4:00PM.</p> <p>Vice Chair Peschong leads the Pledge of Allegiance.</p> <p>County Staff, Angela Ruberto: calls roll.</p>																														
<p><b>4. Public Comment – Items not on the Agenda</b></p>	<p>Chairperson Hamon: opens and closes the floor for public comment on Items not on the Agenda.</p> <p>No public comments received.</p>																														
<p><b>5. Approval of July 25, 2018 Meeting Minutes</b></p>	<p>Chairperson Hamon: moves to discuss approval of July 25, 2018 Cooperative Committee meeting minutes and comments that he is appreciative of the level of detail included in the Meeting Minutes.</p> <p>Chairperson Hamon: opens floor for public comment and, seeing none, closes public comment.</p> <p><b>Motion By:</b> Secretary Cunha  <b>Second By:</b> Vice Chairperson Peschong  <b>Motion:</b> The Committee moves to approve Meeting Minutes from July 25, 2018.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="553 1283 1507 1514"> <thead> <tr> <th>Members</th> <th>Ayes</th> <th>Noes</th> <th>Abstain</th> <th>Recuse</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>John Hamon (Chairperson)</td> <td>X</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>John Peschong (Vice Chairperson)</td> <td>X</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Willy Cunha (Secretary)</td> <td>X</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Reginald Cousineau (Member)</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td>X</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Kelly Dodds (Alternate Member)</td> <td>X</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Members	Ayes	Noes	Abstain	Recuse	John Hamon (Chairperson)	X				John Peschong (Vice Chairperson)	X				Willy Cunha (Secretary)	X				Reginald Cousineau (Member)			X		Kelly Dodds (Alternate Member)	X			
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<p><b>6. Receive update of approach to Public Comment and Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) Chapters Review and Approval</b></p>	<p>Meeting handouts and Presentation for Agenda Item #6 available at: <a href="https://www.slocountywater.org/site/Water%20Resources/SGMA/paso/">https://www.slocountywater.org/site/Water%20Resources/SGMA/paso/</a></p> <p>County Staff, Angela Ruberto: presents an overview of approach to Public Comment and Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) Chapters Review and Approval of GSP.</p> <p>Chairperson Hamon: states that the Comment Form on Step Two of the Six Step Public Comment Process Flow Chart (see Agenda) will be</p>																														

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	<p>critical for public engagement; appreciates the recording and review process, noting the ability to see how issues were addressed.</p> <p>Vice Chairperson Peschong: asks if public comments and responses will be published online.</p> <p>County Staff, Angela Ruberto: Responds that all public comments will be published online once the responses have been finalized; references Step 6, stating that the Final Public Draft GSP will be posted with a summary list of comments and responses.</p> <p>Chairperson Hamon: opens the floor for public comment and, seeing none, closes public comment; emphasizes the importance of providing input on the Draft GSP Chapters during the commenting window.</p>
<b>7. Project Status Update</b>	<p>Meeting handouts and Presentation for Agenda Item #7 available at: <a href="https://www.slocountywater.org/site/Water%20Resources/SGMA/paso/">https://www.slocountywater.org/site/Water%20Resources/SGMA/paso/</a></p> <p>Montgomery &amp; Associates, Derrik Williams: presents an update on the GSP Schedule.</p> <p>Montgomery &amp; Associates, Tim Leo: presents an update on development of the Groundwater Conditions, Water Budgets, Sustainable Management Criteria.</p> <p>Montgomery &amp; Associates, Tim Leo: states that that the water budget analysis shows a difference between averages from 1981-2011 and 2012- 2016; this difference emphasizes the significance/impact of the low recharge period.</p> <p>Montgomery &amp; Associates, Derrik Williams: presents on Monitoring Data and De Minimis Extractors.</p> <p>Chairperson Hamon: asks how many wells with publicly available data are needed for reporting water level data.</p> <p>Montgomery &amp; Associates, Derrik Williams: responds that it depends on what the California Department of Water Resources (DWR) finds acceptable—specific metrics have not been provided; recommends making an honest effort for a reasonable number of wells to prove to DWR that monitoring is performed sufficiently and at an acceptable, basin-wide level; if deemed not sufficient by DWR, there may be a need to drill monitoring wells.</p> <p>Chairperson Hamon: opens the floor for comments from the Committee and then the public on Chapter 5, 6, and 7—no comments received.</p>

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	<p>Chairperson Hamon: asks Derek Williams if there is an estimated number of de minimis pumpers in the Basin; comments that the number of pumpers could be substantial.</p> <p>Montgomery &amp; Associates, Derrick Williams: responds that there have been estimated numbers in the past, ranging from 3-13%; still need to determine what total percentage of pumping de minimis extractors account for throughout the Basin.</p> <p>Secretary Cunha: states that presentations are available online and the public is encouraged to review information and submit comments to the GSAs using forms on the pasogcp.com site.</p> <p>Chairperson Hamon: opens the floor for public comment.</p> <p>Ann Myhre: speaks.</p> <p>Chairperson Hamon: closes the floor for public comment.</p>
<p><b>8. Consider recommending that each GSA receive and file Paso Robles Subbasin GSP Draft Chapter 4 - Hydrogeologic Conceptual Model</b></p>	<p>Montgomery &amp; Associates, Derrick Williams: gives an update on GSP Draft Chapter 4; recommends that each GSA receive, file and provide comments on Draft Chapter 4 - Hydrogeologic Conceptual Model; the comment period will be open for 45 days.</p> <p>Chairperson Hamon: opens the floor to questions from the Committee.</p> <p>Vice Chairperson Peschong: comments that he has received concern from the public regarding the term “groundwater banking” on page 29 of Draft Chapter 4; reiterates the importance of providing input during the public comment period for any questions or concerns.</p> <p>Montgomery &amp; Associates, Derrick Williams: also reiterates the importance of public input during the commenting period.</p> <p>Chairperson Hamon: opens the floor for public comment.</p> <p>County Alternate Member, Debbie Arnold: Referring to page 29, Section 4.7.1 of Draft Chapter 4, asks if the information and map came from a County funded 2005 groundwater banking feasibility study; is uncomfortable with the way the section was written; does not believe that groundwater banking on private property should be included in the GSP—should instead focus on natural or purchased recharge as a way to achieve sustainability.</p> <p>Chairperson Hamon: asks where the map referenced in Debbie Arnold’s comment originated.</p>

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	<p>Montgomery &amp; Associates, Derrik Williams: responds that the map originated from a UC Davis Statewide Study and was pulled from their website, noting that there is a SGMA requirement to map areas of recharge.</p> <p>Secretary Cunha: explains the original source of the map is the Soil Survey of the County performed by the Soil Conservation Service (SCS) and the beneficial intent of the map; comments that the language used is unfortunate.</p> <p>Vice Chairperson, John Peschong: asks when the 45-day commenting period will begin.</p> <p>County Staff, Angela Ruberto: responds that the 45-day commenting period will begin once the Draft Chapter has been uploaded to the Paso GCP website—a week from this meeting date. Agenda Item 6 Presentation shows public comment period for Chapter 4 is anticipated to span 9/19/18 – 11/3/18.</p> <p><b>Motion By:</b> Secretary Cunha  <b>Second By:</b> Vice Chairperson Peschong  <b>Motion:</b> The Committee moves to receive and file Paso Robles Subbasin GSP Draft Chapter 4 - Hydrogeologic Conceptual Model.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="553 1073 1511 1304"> <thead> <tr> <th>Members</th> <th>Ayes</th> <th>Noes</th> <th>Abstain</th> <th>Recuse</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>John Hamon (Chairperson)</td> <td>X</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>John Peschong (Vice Chairperson)</td> <td>X</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Willy Cunha (Secretary)</td> <td>X</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Reginald Cousineau (Member)</td> <td>X</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Kelly Dodds (Alternate Member)</td> <td>X</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Members	Ayes	Noes	Abstain	Recuse	John Hamon (Chairperson)	X				John Peschong (Vice Chairperson)	X				Willy Cunha (Secretary)	X				Reginald Cousineau (Member)	X				Kelly Dodds (Alternate Member)	X			
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<p><b>9. Receive update on supporting efforts</b></p>	<p>Secretary Cunha: provides an update on DWR Technical Support Services opportunity to support GSP development/filling data gaps; discusses potential well locations and ability to retrieve data; provides overview of the application process and roles of GSAs providing input. First step is to submit a General Application, next step is to submit a specific Project Application.</p> <p>Chairperson Hamon: asks for GSA staff input on the timing [required to develop/submit application] and ability to proceed at the rate required.</p> <p>County Staff, Angela Ruberto: states that staff of the GSAs have been working together on developing projects for the DWR’s Technical Support Services application that and are comfortable with Shandon-San Juan Water District submitting the application and serving as the Point of Contact.</p>																														

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	<p>Vice Chairperson Peschong: requests that monitoring wells not be constructed in District 1 or District 5 cemeteries; asks if all expenditure/contracts and specific locations for monitoring wells will come back to Cooperative Committee for approval.</p> <p>Secretary Cunha: Confirms that everything related will be brought back to the Committee for approval.</p> <p>Committee discusses importance of moving ahead and taking opportunity for DWR’s Technical Support Services; Secretary Cunha introduces DWR Staff Ben Gooding and Trent Sherman (in attendance). Trent Sherman is replacing Ben Gooding as our Basin’s DWR SGMA Rep.</p> <p><b>Motion By:</b> Secretary Cunha  <b>Second By:</b> Alternate Member Dodds  <b>Motion:</b> The Committee moves to receive update on Supporting Effort and application for DWR’s Technical Support Services.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="553 863 1484 1167"> <thead> <tr> <th>Members</th> <th>Ayes</th> <th>Noes</th> <th>Abstain</th> <th>Recuse</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>John Hamon (Chairperson)</td> <td>X</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>John Peschong (Vice Chairperson)</td> <td>X</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Willy Cunha (Secretary)</td> <td>X</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Reginald Cousineau (Member)</td> <td>X</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Kelly Dodds (Alternate Member)</td> <td>X</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Members	Ayes	Noes	Abstain	Recuse	John Hamon (Chairperson)	X				John Peschong (Vice Chairperson)	X				Willy Cunha (Secretary)	X				Reginald Cousineau (Member)	X				Kelly Dodds (Alternate Member)	X			
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<p><b>10. Committee Member Comments</b></p>	<p>Secretary Cunha: reiterates the importance of the public providing GSP Chapter comments and input during the open public comment period.</p> <p>Vice Chairperson Peschong: emphasizes the importance of using the commenting portal tools (Comment Form available at PasoGCP.com) for providing input on Draft Chapters; foresees many online comments being submitted.</p>																														
<p><b>11. Upcoming Meetings</b></p>	<p>Next meeting: Regular Meeting set for Wednesday, October 17, 2018 at 4:00PM, Location: Paso Robles - City Council Chambers.</p>																														
<p><b>12. Future Items</b></p>	<p>No future Items discussed.</p>																														
<p><b>13. Adjourn</b></p>	<p><b>Motion By:</b> Chairperson Hamon  <b>Second By:</b> Secretary Cunha  <b>Motion:</b> The Committee moves to adjourn the meeting.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="553 1803 1484 1879"> <thead> <tr> <th>Members</th> <th>Ayes</th> <th>Noes</th> <th>Abstain</th> <th>Recuse</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>John Hamon (Chairperson)</td> <td>X</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Members	Ayes	Noes	Abstain	Recuse	John Hamon (Chairperson)	X																							
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I, Willy Cunha, Secretary to the Paso Basin Cooperative Committee, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a fair statement of the proceedings of the meeting held on September 12, 2018, by the Paso Basin Cooperative Committee.

Willy Cunha, Secretary of the Paso Basin Cooperative Committee.  
Drafted by: Joey Steil and Angela Ruberto, County of San Luis Obispo