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Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Madera Subbasin Advisory Committee March 1, 2019

A special meeting of the Groundwater Sustainability Agencies' Advisory Committee was held at three stops on a tour:

11 a.m. AgriLand, 23500 Road 24, Chowchilla, CA 9361012:30 p.m. Fairmead, 22491 Fairmead Boulevard, Chowchilla, CA 936101:45 p.m. Ellis Recharge Basin, Ellis Street and Road 26 Intersection, NE Corner

Attendance:

Committee Members Present: Chair Devin Aviles, Ben Pitman, Jerry Kazynski, Jim Maxwell, Clay Daulton

Alternates Present: Bryant Elkins, Bill Dietrich

Committee Members Absent: Abel Serrano (alternate), Alejandro Vieyra, Javier Marquez (alternate), Jay Mahil, Jared Samarin, Vicky Ortiz, Greg Rogers, Kevin Herman, Sierra Vista (Alternate), Ralph Pistoresi (Alternate), Miguel Guerrero

Also present: Supervisor Poythress, Nick Salinas, Chief of Staff for Supervisor Poythress, Mike Linden, County legal counsel, Stephanie Anagnoson, Director of Water and Natural Resources, Jeannie Habben, Deputy Director of Water and Natural Resources, Dario Dominguez, Engineer III, Kim Witten, Program Assistant II, and nineteen members of the public

Chair Aviles called the meeting to order at 11:12 P.M. A quorum was present, which included two alternates.

AgriLand – Phil Janzen described the farmland management activities that AgriLand provides, and the challenges imposed by the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act.

Fairmead – Barbara Nelson and Elaine Moore characterized the water situation in Fairmead and described challenges in both water supply and in water quality. They led a tour of Fairmead, which included a community well and storage tank.

Ellis Basin – Stephanie Anagnoson explained how Ellis Basin was constructed for stormwater flows, but could also be used for recharge activities with an MOU with Madera Irrigation District. She described some of the challenges in finding the right temporary pump. Dario Dominguez provided technical support.

ADJOURNMENT - The Advisory Committee adjourned at 2:06 p.m.

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Next Meeting Date: March 7, 2019 at 2 p.m.