

**COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
AGENDA ITEM TRANSMITTAL**

(1) DEPARTMENT Public Works	(2) MEETING DATE 2/11/2014	(3) CONTACT/PHONE Courtney Howard, Senior Water Resources Engineer (805) 781-1016	
(4) SUBJECT Request to: 1) modify the Paso Robles Groundwater Basin Advisory Committee to include Paso Robles Groundwater Basin Blue Ribbon Committee recommendations; and 2) appoint Dan Gilmore as the San Miguel Community Services District alternate member to the Paso Robles Groundwater Basin Blue Ribbon Committee. Districts 1 and 5.			
(5) RECOMMENDED ACTION It is recommended that the Board, acting as the San Luis Obispo County Flood Control and Water Conservation District (Flood Control District): <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Modify the Paso Robles Groundwater Basin Advisory Committee to include Paso Robles Groundwater Basin Blue Ribbon Committee recommendations as shown in bold in Attachment "1," and direct the Clerk to post vacancies pursuant to requirements of the Maddy Act; and</li> <li>2. Appoint Dan Gilmore as the San Miguel Community Services District alternate member to the Paso Robles Groundwater Basin Blue Ribbon Committee.</li> </ol>			
(6) FUNDING SOURCE(S) N/A	(7) CURRENT YEAR FINANCIAL IMPACT N/A	(8) ANNUAL FINANCIAL IMPACT N/A	(9) BUDGETED? N/A
(10) AGENDA PLACEMENT <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Consent <input type="checkbox"/> Presentation <input type="checkbox"/> Hearing (Time Est. ___) <input type="checkbox"/> Board Business (Time Est. ___)			
(11) EXECUTED DOCUMENTS <input type="checkbox"/> Resolutions <input type="checkbox"/> Contracts <input type="checkbox"/> Ordinances <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A			
(12) OUTLINE AGREEMENT REQUISITION NUMBER (OAR) N/A		(13) BUDGET ADJUSTMENT REQUIRED? BAR ID Number: N/A <input type="checkbox"/> 4/5 Vote Required <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A	
(14) LOCATION MAP Attached	(15) BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT? No	(16) AGENDA ITEM HISTORY <input type="checkbox"/> N/A    Date: 1/28/14; #27	
(17) ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE REVIEW <i>Nikki J. Schmidt</i>			
(18) SUPERVISOR DISTRICT(S) District 1 - District 5 -			

Reference: 14FEB11-C-3

# County of San Luis Obispo



TO: Board of Supervisors  
FROM: Public Works  
Courtney Howard, Senior Water Resources Engineer  
VIA: Paavo Ogren, Director of Public Works  
DATE: 2/11/2014

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## **RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Board, acting as the San Luis Obispo County Flood Control and Water Conservation District (Flood Control District):

1. Modify the Paso Robles Groundwater Basin Advisory Committee to include Paso Robles Groundwater Basin Blue Ribbon Committee recommendations as shown in bold in Attachment "1," and direct the Clerk to post vacancies pursuant to requirements of the Maddy Act; and
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## **DISCUSSION**

On March 27, 2012, the Board, sitting as the Flood Control District, adopted a Groundwater Management Plan (Basin Plan) for the Paso Robles Groundwater Basin (Basin) pursuant to Assembly Bill 3030 (AB 3030), which was established by State Legislation in 1992 to encourage and provide a systematic way of managing groundwater basins throughout California. The Basin Plan was funded by the California Department of Water Resources (DWR) through a grant with the City of Paso Robles. On May 1, 2012, the City also adopted the Basin Plan. The Basin Plan complies with Senate Bill 1938 (2002), which is required to seek DWR grants for groundwater projects and groundwater quality projects.

The Board created a Blue Ribbon Committee (BRC) to help steer implementation of the Basin Plan, which by State Law is limited to a two year duration. On January 28, 2014, the Board created the Paso Robles Groundwater Basin Advisory Committee to succeed the BRC when it sunsets on March 14, 2014, so that stakeholders will continue to have a formally established forum to evaluate and discuss Basin issues, and to provide formal policy recommendations to your Board. Due to

timing issues, staff was not able to incorporate the BRC recommendations into the staff recommendation provided and subsequently approved on January 28, 2014, by the Board. BRC recommendations included:

- Add a City of San Luis Obispo member
- Designate one of the six Rural At-Large members to be At-Large (Undesignated)

The San Miguel Community Services District has new staff assigned to participate on the Blue Ribbon Committee through the end of its term, and the Board's approval of the new membership appointment, as shown in bold in Attachment "2," is needed at this time.

Staff recommends modifying the Paso Robles Groundwater Basin Advisory Committee to include BRC recommendations as shown in bold in Attachment "1."

### **OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT/IMPACT**

The Blue Ribbon Committee is the primary advisory body for the Basin.

Local agencies, such as the City of Paso Robles, Templeton Community Services District, Atascadero Mutual Water Company, and advisory groups, such as the Water Resources Advisory Committee, and other community, agricultural and economic advisory committees, are engaged in the short, medium and long term efforts associated with management of the Basin.

Coordination with the Administrative Office, Agricultural Commissioner's Office, County Counsel, Planning and Building Department and Public Health Department is also occurring on issues associated with the Paso Basin.

Correspondence from the San Miguel Community Services District and the agenda for the meeting during which its Board of Directors nominated its General Manager is included in Attachment "2" (see item 24 of the agenda). The meeting minutes were not available at the time of preparation of this staff report.

### **FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS**

There are no financial impacts as a result of this action.

### **RESULTS**

Approval of the recommended action will broaden representation on the Paso Robles Groundwater Basin Advisory Committee and appoint a new alternate member to the Basin Blue Ribbon Committee, thereby providing your Board with the best possible recommendations on Basin related issues, resulting in a more livable and well-governed community.

File: CF 340.280.01 Fund 19 - Paso Robles Groundwater Basin

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## **ATTACHMENTS**

1. Vicinity Map
2. Attachment 1 - Paso Robles Groundwater Basin Advisory Committee
3. Attachment 2 - Paso Robles Groundwater Basin Blue Ribbon Committee