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9 **SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA**
10 **FOR THE COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA**

11 MARTHA H. WRIGHT, et al.,

12 Plaintiffs,

13 vs.

14 GOLETA WATER DISTRICT, et al.

15 Defendants.
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Case No. SM57969

**GOLETA WATER DISTRICT'S
ANNUAL REPORT**

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18 **INTRODUCTION**

19 The Judgment in this matter required the GOLETA WATER DISTRICT
20 ("District") to achieve Hydrologic Balance by December 31, 1998. In the Court's
21 Order filed August 13, 1998, the Court found that the District had achieved
22 Hydrologic Balance as defined by the Judgment. The Court went on to find that
23 the District was in compliance with the Judgment and all Orders issued by the
24 Court pursuant to the Judgment.

25 In that same 1998 Order, the Court approved a procedure that requires the
26 District to file an Annual Report in a summary format, with no further
27 requirement to file the Report with the Court, or to have a hearing or a Court
28 Order to approve the Annual Report, based upon calendar, not water years.
Consistent with that Order, and the Annual Report procedure since, the District
submits the following:

or well interference resulting from District operations.

Effects on Groundwater Quality

The District is unaware of any evidence of deleterious effects on groundwater quality resulting from its operations.

Water Levels in Seven Index Wells

The District provides data from seven index wells identified as representative of the Basin. The wells have complete historical records dating from 1972. The District contracts with the U.S. Geological Service to conduct twice yearly regional groundwater level monitoring in April and December. These months reflect when the water levels are generally at their highest and lowest.

The information regarding the seven index wells is found on the attached document titled *Goleta Water District Index Well Elevations* and shows comparative levels from April 2014 and April 2015.¹ The data shows a decrease in the overall groundwater levels since the last report. This decrease is to be expected given the current drought.

Groundwater Storage in the Basin

In its Order filed April 30, 1992, the Court recognized the District's right to store its annual entitlement to water in the Basin, by deferral of extractions and injection. The District maintains a Drought Buffer in the Basin pursuant to Ordinance 91-01, the SAFE Ordinance.

In last year's Annual Report the District reported stored water pursuant to the terms of the Judgment in excess of 48,865 AF. In 2015, the District extracted 5,263 AF and obtained 2,350 AF of entitlement bringing the new total amount stored in the Basin at the end of 2015 to 45,952 AF.

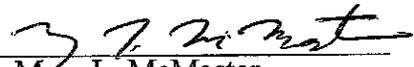
¹ The Groundwater Management Plan, prepared by Steven Bachman, PhD and adopted by the Goleta Water District Board of Directors on May 11, 2010, recommended the use of April measurements once they became available. 2011 was the first year that a comparison of the USGS April water levels in the seven index wells could be made to the previous year's April water levels.

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Other Necessary and Appropriate Information

The District has completed a Water Supply Management Plan, Groundwater Management Plan, Urban Water Management Plan and Drought Preparedness and Water Shortage Contingency Plan. These documents are available on the District website (www.goletawater.com) and assist the District in managing its water resources in compliance with the *Wright* Judgment and the SAFE ordinance.

Dated: June 21 2016

By: 
Mary L. McMaster
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GOLETA WATER DISTRICT INDEX WELL ELEVATIONS

Well Number	Well Name	USGS	USGS	April 2014 Less April 2013	2015 Water Levels Increased Decreased From 2014
		April, 2014 Groundwater Elevation Feet below LSD	April, 2015 Groundwater Elevation Feet below LSD		
04N028W08R03S	"Magnolia"	34.79	45.83	-11.04	Decreased
04N028W09G03S	"Berkeley # 1"	51.29	62.85	-11.56	Decreased
04N028W10F03S	"Barquero"	95.24	114.19	-18.95	Decreased
04N028W10Q02S	"Emmons"	78.20	96.89	-18.69	Decreased
04N028W12P03S	"LCMWC # 7"	178.44	193.78	-15.34	Decreased
04N028W14C02S	"LCMWC # 17"	34.75	41.85	-7.10	Decreased
04N028W16J02S	"Ciampi # 2"	44.71	65.32	-20.61	Decreased

- USGS - United States Geological Survey

- LSD - Land Surface Datum

USGS currently measures groundwater elevations each April and December of the Index Wells and all 48 monitoring wells in the Basin. In 2014 the levels were obtained in April and December

April comparison is recommended in the District's Groundwater Management Plan

PROOF OF SERVICE
(C.C.P. §§ 1013(a), 2015.5)

STATE OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA

I am a citizen of the United States and a resident of the county aforesaid; I am over the age of eighteen years and not a party to the within entitled action; my business address is 1131 Bath St., Santa Barbara, California.

On June 22, 2016, I served a true copy of the within **Goleta Water District's Annual Report** on the Interested Parties in said action:

- by mail. I am familiar with the practice of the _____ for the collection and processing of correspondence for mailing with the United States Postal Service. In accordance with the ordinary course of business, the above mentioned documents would have been deposited with the United States Postal Service, after having been deposited and processed for postage with the _____.
- by facsimile as indicated below:
- by depositing it in the United States Mail in a sealed envelope with postage thereon fully prepaid to the following:

SEE ATTACHED LIST

- by personally delivering it to the person(s) indicated below:
- by Federal Express to the person(s) indicated below. I am readily familiar with the County's practice of collection and processing correspondence on the same day with this courier service, for overnight delivery. The delivery fees are provided for in accordance with this County's ordinary business practices
- (State) I declare, under penalty of perjury, that the above is true and correct.
- (Federal) I declare that I am employed in the office of a member of the Bar of this Court at whose direction the service was made.

Executed on June 22, 2016, at Santa Barbara, California.


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