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7 **SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA**
8 **FOR THE COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA, ANACAPA DIVISION**

9
10 MARTHA H. WRIGHT, et al.,

11 Plaintiffs,

12 v.

13 GOLETA WATER DISTRICT, et al.,

14 Defendants.

CASE NO. SM57969

Unlimited Jurisdiction

**GOLETA WATER DISTRICT'S 2024
ANNUAL REPORT**

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16 **I. INTRODUCTION**

17 The Judgment in this matter required the GOLETA WATER DISTRICT (“District”) to
18 achieve Hydrologic Balance of the Goleta Groundwater Basin (“Basin”) by December 31, 1998. In
19 the Court’s Order filed August 13, 1998, the Court found that the District had achieved Hydrologic
20 Balance as defined by the Judgment. The Court also found that the District was in compliance with
21 the Judgment and all orders issued by the Court pursuant to the Judgment.

22 In that same 1998 Order, the Court approved a procedure that requires the District to file an
23 Annual Report in a summary format, with no further requirement to file an annual report with the
24 Court, or to have a hearing or a Court Order to approve the Annual Report. The report is based upon
25 calendar, not water years. Consistent with that Order, the District submits the following:

26 **II. ANNUAL REPORT**

27 **A. Augmented Service**

28 Since the last Annual Report, the District granted a request for Augmented Service for The

1 Marcia McCloskey Trust No. 2, Susan McCloskey Trust No. 2, Sharon McCloskey Trust No. 2, and
2 Gordon T. McCloskey. The Augmented Service was approved in the amount of 12.2 acre-feet (AF)
3 per year, for Assessor’s Parcel Numbers 065-080-010 and 065-080-011. After granting this request,
4 the District reports that it has issued a cumulative 500 acre-feet per year of Augmented Service from
5 the date of the Judgment up to this Annual Report, consistent with Section 23 of the Judgment.

6 **B. Exchange Service**

7 Since the last Annual Report, there have been no new Exchange Service approvals.

8 **C. Water Imported by the District**

9 In 2023, the District imported the following water supplies:

- 10 • Cachuma Project: 10,719 AF
- 11 • State Water Project: 176 AF (including water delivered and water exchanged with ID
12 No. 1)

13 **D. Water Produced by the District from the Basin**

14 The District extracted 108 AF of water from the Basin in 2023.

15 **E. Water Injected by the District into the Basin**

16 The District injected 863 AF of water into the Basin in 2023.

17 **F. Amount of Water the District Intends To Import**

18 In calendar year 2024, the District intends to import the following water supplies:

- 19 • Cachuma Project: 12,187 AF (inclusive of spillwater)
- 20 • State Water Project: 274 AF (including water delivered and water exchanged with ID
21 No. 1)

22 **G. Amount of Groundwater the District Intends To Extract**

23 The District intends to produce 88 AF of groundwater in 2024.

24 **H. Evaluation of the Integrity of the Basin**

25 The District is unaware of any evidence of saltwater intrusion, subsidence, or well
26 interference resulting from District operations.
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1 **I. Effects on Groundwater Quality**

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

4 **J. Water Levels in Seven Index Wells**

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

9 The information regarding the seven index wells is found on the attached document titled
10 “Ground Water Level Measurements by USGS of 41 Monitoring Wells for December 2023 and
11 Changes Since April 2023” and shows comparative levels from April 2023 and December 2023. The
12 data shows a steady increase in overall levels, which was anticipated due to the wet conditions of the
13 winter of 2022-23 and injection of water in 2023.

14 **K. Groundwater Storage in the Basin**

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

18 In last year’s Annual Report, the District reported stored water pursuant to the terms of the
19 Judgment in excess of 46,721 AF. In 2023, the District extracted 108 AF, injected 863 AF, and
20 obtained 2,350 AF of entitlement, bringing the new total amount stored in the Basin at the end of
21 2023 to 49,826 AF.

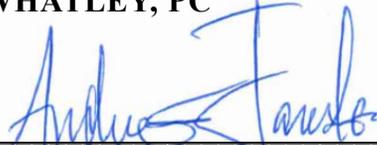
22 **L. Other Necessary and Appropriate Information**

23 The District has completed a Water Supply Management Plan most recently updated on May
24 14, 2024, Groundwater Management Plan most recently updated on April 11, 2022, and an Urban
25 Water Management Plan and Drought Preparedness and Water Shortage Contingency Plan updated
26 on June 8, 2021. These documents are available on the District website (www.goletawater.com) and
27 assist the District in managing its water resources in compliance with Judgment and the SAFE Water
28 Supplies Ordinance.

1 During the 2023 calendar year, the court issued an order on a Motion to Quantify
2 Groundwater Right and Intervene in the Judgment. The motion was brought by the Ronald M.
3 Caird, Patricia G. Caird, Erin Caird Williams, The Brian and Debra Caird Revocable Trust, Caird
4 Family Revocable Trust, Ekwill Investors, LLC (collectively “Caird”) regarding the overlying
5 groundwater rights for parcels APN 071-190-036, 071-140-048, and 065-230-012. The court ordered
6 the requested identification of Participating Party status for parcel APN 071-190-036, and ordered a
7 quantified, overlying right of 99.7 AF. The court ordered Ekwill Investors, LLC as assuming the
8 Nonparty Status for APN 071-140-048 and clarified the right to extract 13.9 AF as a
9 Nonparticipating Party. The court ordered Caird Family Revocable Trust as assuming
10 Nonparticipating Party status for APN 065-230-012 and clarified the right to extract 39.7 AF as a
11 Nonparticipating Party.

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13 DATED: June 12, 2024

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GOLETA WATER DISTRICT - GOLETA GROUNDWATER BASIN
Ground Water Level Measurements by USGS of 41 Monitoring Wells
for December 2023 and changes since April 2023

Local Well Number	Local Well Name	December 2023 Measurements				April 2023 Measurements		Variance
		Date	Well Land Elevation	Measurement from Well Land Elev to Water Surface	Ground Water Level Elevation	Date	Measurement from Well Land Elev to Water Surface	Ground Water Level Change Since April
			(A)	(B)	(C = A - B)		(D)	(E = D - B)
4N028W02N002S	TUCKER'S GR	12/19/2023	178.85	31.90	146.95	4/28/2023	19.13	-12.77
4N028W03N008S	SCHMANDT #6	12/19/2023	94.15	53.02	41.13	4/28/2023	54.54	1.52
4N028W03N010S	CATHERINA	12/19/2023	120.45	65.35	55.10	4/28/2023	66.48	1.13
4N028W05N004S	STOW	12/19/2023	89.56	22.13	67.43	4/28/2023	18.61	-3.52
4N028W05R001S	MARTINI	12/19/2023	72.32	41.26	31.06	4/28/2023	42.46	1.20
4N028W05R008S	SCHMANDT	12/19/2023	70.44	39.55	30.89	4/28/2023	40.70	1.15
4N028W07R001S	BARDEX 1	12/19/2023	17.00	13.90	3.10	4/26/2023	14.41	0.51
4N028W08B010S	FAIRVIEW	12/19/2023	41.78	71.67	-29.89	4/28/2023	74.26	2.59
4N028W08G001S	SHIRREL	12/19/2023	38.26	68.89	-30.63	4/28/2023	72.24	3.35
4N028W08K011S	SILVERMAN 1		28.24	No Access	No Access		No Access	No Access
4N028W08N007S	PACIFIC MAT'LS LAB	12/19/2023	35.23	31.70	3.53	4/26/2023	32.52	0.82
4N028W08N008S	BARDEX 2	12/19/2023	34.50	31.83	2.67	4/26/2023	32.68	0.85
4N028W08P004S	UCSB SOUTH	12/19/2023	21.09	50.47	-29.38	4/28/2023	52.68	2.21
4N028W08P005S	AIRPORT	12/19/2023	20.54	53.27	-32.73	4/28/2023	55.34	2.07
4N028W08P006S	UCSB NORTH		21.06	Not Measured	Not Measured		Not Measured	Not Measured
4N028W08R003S	MAGNOLIA	12/19/2023	30.21	69.72	-39.51	4/26/2023	71.02	1.30
4N028W09A003S	MULLIGAN	12/19/2023	86.49	Not Measured	Not Measured	4/28/2023	57.80	Not Measured
4N028W09G003S	BERKELEY 1	12/19/2023	62.97	71.55	-8.58	4/28/2023	96.31	24.76
4N028W09G004S	NEW BERKELEY	12/19/2023	62.23	91.48	-29.25	4/28/2023	95.97	4.49
4N028W09H003S	BORGARO	12/19/2023	76.28	111.42	-35.14	4/26/2023	114.44	3.02
4N028W09J002S	SB DISTRIBUTORS CO.	12/18/2023	66.69	101.79	-35.10	4/26/2023	104.41	2.62
4N028W09K002S	ELKS		56.24	Not Measured	Not Measured		Not Measured	Not Measured
4N028W09R013S	GVVMWC	12/18/2023	59.30	108.07	-48.77	4/25/2023	110.01	1.94
4N028W10F003S	BARQUERO	12/18/2023	92.95	135.17	-42.22	4/28/2023	139.15	3.98
4N028W10J001S	EL CAMINO	12/18/2023	72.12	135.02	-62.90	4/25/2023	124.37	-10.65
4N028W10Q002S	EMMENS	12/18/2023	68.54	113.66	-45.12	4/25/2023	116.27	2.61
4N028W11E002S	WATLING	12/18/2023	119.03	182.86	-63.83	4/28/2023	188.04	5.18
4N028W11D003S	CHURCH	12/18/2023	150.48	197.21	-46.73	4/28/2023	197.21	0.00
4N028W11K005S	SAN ANTONIO	12/18/2023	52.75	155.05	-102.30	4/28/2023	161.82	6.77
4N028W11P006S	SAN MARCOS		43.72	Not Measured	Not Measured		Not Measured	Not Measured
4N028W12C002S	LORRAINE		224.37	Not Measured	Not Measured			Not Measured
4N028W12P003S	LCMWC #7	12/18/2023	91.00	190.64	-99.64	4/25/2023	201.48	10.84
4N029W13A002S	MOSELEY	12/19/2023	21.55	18.07	3.48	4/26/2023	18.52	0.45
4N028W14C002S	LCMWC (ALT)	12/18/2023	44.60	43.48	1.12	4/25/2023	50.13	6.65
4N028W14C003S	LCMWC	12/18/2023	43.67	80.50	-36.83	4/25/2023	81.62	1.12
4N028W14M001S	SANDPIPER	12/19/2023	71.00	24.63	46.37	4/28/2023	23.01	-1.62
4N028W15A003S	VAN REES	12/18/2023	60.41	104.99	-44.58	4/25/2023	105.94	0.95
4N028W15E002S	SAN RICARDO	12/18/2023	38.53	85.16	-46.63	4/25/2023	83.79	-1.37
4N028W15H004S	ANITA 1	12/18/2023	44.45	89.51	-45.06	4/25/2023	87.28	-2.23
4N028W16C005S	REDFORD	12/18/2023	33.01	74.49	-41.48	4/26/2023	76.05	1.56
4N028W16F008S	MISSION INDUSTRIES	12/18/2023	20.45	60.99	-40.54	4/26/2023	62.92	1.93
4N028W16H003S	SB CORP		32.68	Not Measured	Not Measured		Not Measured	#VALUE!
4N028W16J002S	CIAMPI 2	12/18/2023	28.40	79.47	-51.07	4/25/2023	79.84	0.37
4N028W16J005S	CIAMPI 1	12/18/2023	28.25	8.39	19.86	4/25/2023	8.07	-0.32
4N028W16J006S	GROEN ROSE		23.91	Not Measured	Not Measured		Not Measured	Not Measured
4N028W16R002S	MORE RD.		24.68	No Access	No Access		No Access	No Access
4N028W18E001S	U.E.C.	12/19/2023	21.00	18.01	2.99	4/26/2023	18.23	0.22
4N028W18F001S	AIRPORT 3		8.58	Not Measured	Not Measured		Not Measured	Not Measured
4N028W09P007S	SEMERJIAN	12/18/2023		78.74		4/26/2023	80.10	1.36
4N028W10G007S	UNIVERSITY (INJECTION)							USGS Does not take readings on University Well

Notes:

- 1) "Well Land Elevation" is the elevation above mean sea level (MSL).
- 2) "Ground Water Level Elevation" is the elevation above mean sea level (MSL) where (+) is above sea level and (-) is below sea level
- 3) Variance is the change in the ground water level since the last reading where (+) is an increase in the ground water level and (-) is a decrease in the ground water level
- 4) All elevations, measurements and variances are in feet.

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