

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS
FILLMORE AND PIRU BASINS GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY
RESOLUTION NO. 2017-01**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE FILLMORE AND PIRU BASINS GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY
AGENCY TO BE ELECTED AS THE GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY FOR THE FILLMORE
AND PIRU BASINS PURSUANT TO THE SUSTAINABLE GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT ACT**

WHEREAS, the California Legislature has adopted, and the Governor has signed into law, the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act of 2014 ("Act"), which authorizes local agencies to manage groundwater in a sustainable fashion; and

WHEREAS, the legislative intent of the Act is to provide for sustainable management of groundwater basins, to enhance local management of groundwater, to establish minimum standards for sustainable groundwater management, and to provide local agencies with the authority and the technical and financial assistance necessary to sustainably manage groundwater; and

WHEREAS, in order to exercise the authority granted in the Act, a local agency or combination of local agencies must elect to become a groundwater sustainability agency ("GSA"); and

WHEREAS, the Fillmore and Piru Groundwater Sustainability Agency ("Agency") is a local agency, as the Act defines that term; and

WHEREAS, the Agency exercises jurisdiction upon land overlying the entire Fillmore Basin and Piru Basin (designated subbasin numbers 4-4.05 and 4-4.06, respectively by the California Department of Water Resources' CASGEM groundwater basin system ["DWR"]); and

WHEREAS, the Agency is committed to sustainable management of both Basins' groundwater resources; and

WHEREAS, the Act requires that a GSA be formed for all basins designated by DWR as a medium- or high-priority basin by June 30, 2017; and

WHEREAS, the Basins are designated as a medium- or high-priority sub-basin of the Santa Clara River Valley Basin pursuant to the DWR's prioritization; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Agency to work cooperatively with other local GSAs and stakeholders, as may be appropriate, to sustainably manage the Basins and ensure that the Act's goals are satisfied; and

WHEREAS, notice of a hearing on the Agency's election to become a GSA for the Basins ("Notice") has been published in the Ventura County Star as provided by law; and

WHEREAS, on this day, the Agency held a public hearing to consider whether it should elect to become a GSA for the Basins; and

WHEREAS, it would be in the best interest of the Basins for the Agency to become a GSA for the Basins, and to begin the process of preparing a groundwater sustainability plan ("GSP"); and

WHEREAS, the Agency's process to develop the GSP for each of the Basins will include stakeholder outreach and will provide multiple opportunities for public involvement; and

WHEREAS, adoption of this resolution does not constitute a "project" under California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines Section 15378(b)(5), including organization and administrative activities of government, because there would be no direct or indirect physical change in the environment.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Fillmore and Piru Basins Groundwater Sustainability Agency, as follows:

1. All the recitals in this resolution are true and correct and the Agency so finds, determines and represents.
2. The Agency hereby elects to become the GSA for the Basins.
3. Within thirty days of the date of this resolution, but no later than June 30, 2017, the Agency's interim Executive Director is directed to provide notice to DWR of the Agency's election to be the GSA for the Basins ("Notice of GSA Election") in the manner required by law.
4. One of the elements of the Notice of GSA Election is the boundaries the Agency intends to manage as the GSA for the Basins. Until further action of the Agency, the boundaries of the GSA shall be the external boundaries of the Basins, the entirety of which currently falls within the Agency's jurisdiction.
5. Upon submission of the Notice of GSA Election, the Agency's Board of Directors shall begin discussions with interested stakeholders and beneficial users within the Basin in order to begin the process of developing a GSP for the Basins.
6. The Agency's Interim Executive Director is directed to report back to the Agency's Board of Directors.
7. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage and adoption.

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing Resolution No. 2017- 01 was duly adopted and passed by the Board of Directors of the Fillmore and Piru Basins Groundwater Sustainability Agency at a meeting held on the 26th day of June, 2017, by the following vote:

AYES: three

NOES: none

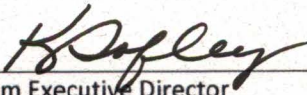
ABSENT: none



Board Chair

Fillmore and Piru Basins Groundwater Sustainability Agency

ATTEST:



Interim Executive Director

Fillmore and Piru Basins Groundwater Sustainability Agency