

WIDREN WATER DISTRICT
RESOLUTION ELECTING TO ESTABLISH WIDREN WATER DISTRICT AS A
GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY FOR A PORTION OF
THE CENTRAL DELTA-MENDOTA SUBBASIN

WHEREAS, the California Legislature passed a statewide framework for sustainable groundwater management known as the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) (California Water Code section 10720 et seq.) pursuant to Senate Bill 1168, Senate Bill 1319, and Assembly Bill 1739, which was approved by the Governor and Chaptered by the Secretary of State on September 16, 2014; and WHEREAS, the SGMA went into effect on January 1, 2015; and

WHEREAS, the SGMA requires all high- and medium-priority groundwater basins, as designated by the California Department of Water Resources (DWR) Bulletin 118, to be managed by a Groundwater Sustainability Agency (GSA) or multiple GSAs; and, WHEREAS, the Delta-Mendota Subbasin has been designated by DWR as a high-priority basin and in critical groundwater overdraft; and

WHEREAS, the SGMA authorizes a local public agency overlying a groundwater sub-basin to elect to become a GSA; and

WHEREAS, Widren Water District (the "District") is a local public agency as defined under the SGMA and is therefore eligible to serve as a GSA; and

WHEREAS, Section 10723.2 of the SGMA requires that a GSA consider the interests of all beneficial uses and users of groundwater, as well as those responsible for implementing groundwater sustainability plans; and

WHEREAS, Section 10723.8 of the SGMA requires that a local public agency electing to be a GSA notify the DWR of its election and intention to undertake sustainable groundwater management within a sub-basin; and

WHEREAS, the District is committed to sustainable management of its groundwater resources; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Government Code section 6066, notices of a public hearing concerning whether to adopt a Resolution to elect to become a GSA were published on February 22, 2017 and March 1, 2017 in the Firebaugh-Mendota Journal.

WHEREAS, the District held a public hearing on March 10, 2017, following publication of notice pursuant to Government Code section 6066 to consider adoption of this Resolution; and

WHEREAS, the District wishes to exercise the powers and authorities of a GSA granted by the SGMA;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of Widren Water District hereby elects to become a GSA for the portion of the Central Delta-Mendota Subbasin shown in the map attached hereto as Exhibit A; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that within 30 days from the date of this Resolution, the General Manager of the District shall provide notification of this election to the DWR, including a copy of this Resolution and additional information as required by Water Code section 10723.8, in a manner required by law.

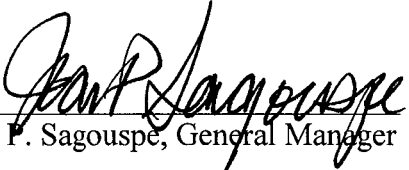
PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Widren Water District Board of Directors this 10th day of March, 2017, by the following vote:

AYES: J. Sagouspe, D. Sagouspe, J.P. Sagouspe, J. Aragona

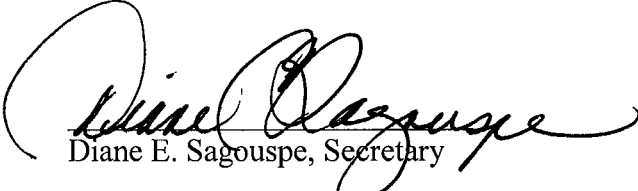
NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAINED: None


Jean P. Sagouspe, General Manager

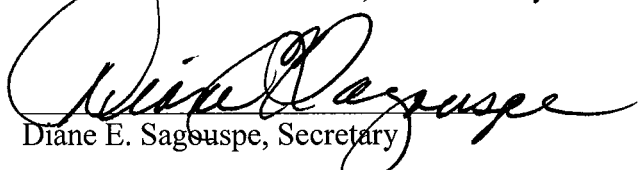
ATTEST:


Diane E. Sagouspe, Secretary

CERTIFICATE OF SECRETARY

The undersigned, Secretary of the Widren Water District, hereby certifies that the foregoing Resolution was adopted by the Board of Directors of said District at a meeting thereof, duly and specially held on March 10, 2017 at which meeting a quorum of the Board of Directors was at all times present and acting.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand this 10th day of March, 2017.


Diane E. Sagouspe, Secretary