

March 23, 2017

Mr. Hilary Straus, General Manager, Citrus Heights Water District
6230 Sylvan Road,
Citrus Heights, CA 95610

Subject: Formation of the West Placer Groundwater Sustainability Agency

Dear Mr. Straus;

The Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) of 2014, enacted by California's Governor Jerry Brown in 2015, requires the formation of a Groundwater Sustainability Agency (GSA) by June 30, 2017. The intent is to bring stakeholders together to create a framework for groundwater basin management. The GSAs will be comprised of one or more local agencies implementing SGMA requirements, and will include any local public agency with water supply, water, or land management authority. For West Placer, multiple agencies will be needed to coordinate the coverage of a groundwater basin.

The proposed West Placer GSA (WPGSA) covers a portion of the North American Subbasin (Figure 1) and will be formed by the County of Placer, the Cities of Lincoln and Roseville, Placer County Water Agency, and Nevada Irrigation District (Cal American Water Company is a participating member). Once established, the GSA will be required to prepare and submit a Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) to the State Department of Water Resources for approval by January 31, 2022.

Placer County is acting as the administrative lead for the WPGSA and has identified your agency as having a portion of its jurisdiction within the area boundaries. The intent is to encompass your jurisdiction area and represent your interests when developing the GSP. Your agency is encouraged to share information, analyses and comments throughout the process.

It is hoped that this is acceptable to your agency; The GSA partners would welcome a letter of support no later than April 28, 2017. A website with further information has been developed and can be viewed at westplacergroundwater.com.

If you have any questions, or would like to discuss the process, please feel free to contact me at (530)745-3011 or email bstorey@placer.ca.gov.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "BStorey", written over a horizontal line.

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