

**RESOLUTION NO. 2017- 1**

**RESOLUTION APPROVING THE ORA LOMA WATER DISTRICT TO BE THE  
GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY FOR THE LANDS WITHIN ITS SERVICE  
AREA**

WHEREAS, the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) was signed into law on September 16, 2014 and adopted as California Water Code, section 10720, et. seq.; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of SGMA is to provide sustainable management of groundwater basins and enhance local management of groundwater through empowering local management agencies with the authority, technical, and financial assistance necessary to sustainably manage groundwater; and

WHEREAS, Water Code section 10723(a) authorizes any combination of local agencies having water or land management authority overlying a basin to elect to be the groundwater sustainability agency for that basin; and

WHEREAS, the Ora Loma Water District (District) is an agency that qualifies to be groundwater sustainability agencies; and

WHEREAS, the District is located in the Delta Mendota Groundwater Subbasin as defined in the California Department of Water Resources Bulletin 118; and

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

WHEREAS, retaining local jurisdiction and control over groundwater management is beneficial to the health, safety, and water supply reliability of the District and their respective customers and constituents; and

WHEREAS, adoption of this Resolution does not constitute a project under the California Environmental Quality Act because it does not result in any direct or indirect physical change in the environment; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Water Code section 10723 and Government Code section 6066, notices of a public hearing regarding the adoption of a resolution to elect to become a groundwater sustainability agency were published on April 14 & 21, 2017 in the Los Banos Enterprise.

WHEREAS, on May 2, 2017, the District held a public hearing to receive comments on the District's consideration of becoming a Groundwater Sustainability Agency and considered the adoption of this RESOLUTION.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the District that:

1. The District elects to be the Groundwater Sustainability Agency and intends to undertake sustainable groundwater management within its boundary area; and

2. The District Board authorizes the Chair or his designee to notify the California Department of Water Resources of the District's decision, by providing a copy of this RESOLUTION and other relevant information necessary to the California Department of Water Resources within 30 days, and otherwise comply with the requirements of Water Code section 10723.8(a).

Moved by Director Randy Miles , seconded by Director Brett Sloan , that the foregoing resolution be adopted.

Upon roll call, the following vote was had:

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| Ayes:   | Directors |
| Noes:   | Directors |
| Absent: | Directors |

The Chair declared the resolution adopted.

I, Diana Raineri, Secretary to the Board of Directors, do hereby CERTIFY that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of a resolution duly adopted at a special meeting of said Board of Directors held the May 2, 2017.

  
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Secretary to the Board of Directors  
of the Ora Loma Water District