

**PLANADA COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT
RESOLUTION NO. 2017-01**

**Resolution Authorizing Execution of a Memorandum of Understanding Creating the Merced
Irrigation Urban Groundwater Sustainability Agency Over a Portion of the Merced
Groundwater Subbasin and Joining the Planada Community Services District Thereto, and
Authorizing Other Actions Relating Thereto**

WHEREAS, the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) was signed into law on September 16, 2014 and was adopted into the California Water Code thereafter; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the SGMA is to provide for the local control and long term sustainable management of groundwater resources and subbasins, encouraging local control and management activities, and provide local agencies with the authority and tools necessary to both manage and fund sustainable management activities; and

WHEREAS, the SGMA requires high and medium priority subbasins to be managed by one or more groundwater sustainability agencies (GSA), and said GSA(s) must be formed on or before June 30, 2017; and

WHEREAS, Water Code Section 10723(a) authorizes local agencies with land use, water supply, or other certain authorities, or a combination of such agencies overlying a groundwater basin to elect to become a GSA for the subbasin; and

WHEREAS, the Merced Irrigation District (MID) is a local agency over certain water resources, qualified to become a GSA under SGMA, in whose footprint Planada Community Services District (PCSD) lies, and PCSD and a portion of MID is located in the Merced Groundwater Subbasin as defined in the California Department of Water Resources Bulletin 118 (see Exhibit "A", attached hereto); and

WHEREAS, MID has notified PCSD of its intent to send its notification pursuant to Water Code Section 10723.8, which requires that a local agency electing to serve as a GSA notify the California Department of Water Resources of its election to form a GSA and to undertake sustainable groundwater management activities within a subbasin; and

WHEREAS, retaining local jurisdiction control of groundwater management is beneficial to the health, safety and water supply reliability of PCSD and its customers, and will allow PCSD to participate with the GSA to coordinate well pumping and extraction allocations with GSP requirements, encourage uniform basin management activities and ensure that PCSD interests are represented during GSA activities and GSP development; and

WHEREAS, PCSD intends to, and is committed to work cooperatively with other local agencies and community interests to form GSA(s) over the Merced Groundwater Subbasin with the goal of agreeing to a single groundwater sustainability plan (GSP) over the entire subbasin, and in particular

those agencies who have elected to form and create a groundwater sustainability agency within the Merced Irrigation Urban GSA (MIUGSA)), said agencies, along with the MID, include the City of Merced, City of Atwater, City of Livingston, Winton Water and Sanitary District, Planada Community Services District, and Le Grand Community Services District ; and

WHEREAS, the adoption of this Resolution does not constitute a "Project" under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) because it is an administrative action that does not result in any direct or indirect physical change in the environment; and

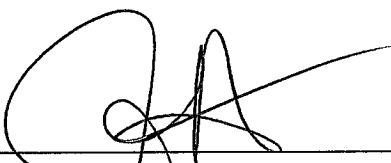
NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Planada Community Services District Merced Irrigation District that:

1. The recitals set forth hereinabove are true and correct, and the Board so finds and determines.
2. The Board expresses its intent to elect to join with MID and the other above-referenced agencies and become a GSA for that portion of Merced Groundwater Subbasin described herein and shown in the map attached hereto as Exhibit "A", and in furtherance of that election hereby authorizes the General Manager or his designee to execute the substantial form of memorandum of understanding agreement that creates the Merced Irrigation Urban Groundwater Sustainability Agency, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "B", subject to such reasonable modifications, revisions, additions and deletions as such executing officer may approve prior to execution, said execution to provide conclusive evidence of such approval.
3. Staff is authorized to provide MID with documentation reasonably necessary for it to provide notification of the election to become a GSA to the California Department of Water Resources.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, the General Manager or his designee is authorized to execute such other documents that may be necessary or appropriate, and is authorized to take such other actions as may be necessary or appropriate to carry out the intent of this Resolution.

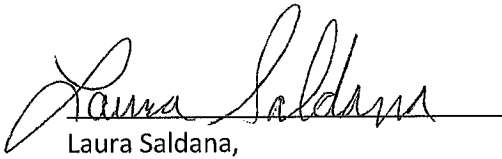
PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the Planada Community Services District this 11th day of April 2017, by the following vote:

Ayes:	Directors: Fernando Nava, Olivia Gomez, Jacquelin Gonzalez
Noes:	Directors:
Abstain:	Directors:
Absent:	Directors: Larry Gonzalez, Erica Cabrera



Fernando Nava
President
Planada Community Services District

ATTEST:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Laura Saldana", is written over a horizontal line.

Laura Saldana,
Secretary of the Board of Directors