

## SHANDON-SAN JUAN WATER DISTRICT

### **RESOLUTION 17-003 RESOLUTION FORMING THE SHANDON-SAN JUAN GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY**

The following Resolution is hereby offered and read:

WHEREAS, in 2014, the California Legislature adopted, and the Governor signed into law, three bills (SB 1168, AB 1739, and SB 1319) collectively referred to as the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) (Water Code §§ 10720 *et seq.*), that became effective on January 1, 2015, and that have been subsequently amended; and

WHEREAS, the intent of SGMA, as set forth in Water Code section 10720.1, is to provide for the sustainable management of groundwater basins at a local level by providing local groundwater agencies with the authority, and technical and financial assistance necessary, to sustainably manage groundwater; and

WHEREAS, SGMA requires the formation of a groundwater sustainability agency (GSA) or agencies for all basins designated by the California Department of Water Resources (DWR) as high or medium priority on or before June 30, 2017; and

WHEREAS, SGMA further requires the adoption of a groundwater sustainability plan (GSP) for all basins designated by DWR as high or medium priority and subject to critical conditions of overdraft on or before January 31, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Paso Robles Area Groundwater Subbasin (Basin No. 3-004.06) (Basin) has been designated by DWR as a high priority basin subject to critical conditions of overdraft; and

WHEREAS, the Shandon-San Juan Water District is a “local agency” within the Basin as defined in Water Code Section 10721(n) and thus is eligible to form a GSA in the Basin; and

WHEREAS, the Salinas Valley Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency, City of El Paso de Robles, San Miguel Community Services District, Heritage Ranch Community Services District, and the County of San Luis Obispo are also local agencies within the Basin, and it is anticipated that they will each become the GSA for their respective service areas within the Basin; and

WHEREAS, adoption of a GSA is exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (Public Resources Code §§ 21000 *et seq.*) (CEQA) pursuant to Section 15061(b)(3) of the CEQA Guidelines; and

WHEREAS, on April 6, 2017, the San Luis Obispo Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) conditionally approved the formation of the Estrella-El Pomar-Creston Water District (EPCWD) for the purpose of serving as (or part of) a GSA for its portion of the Basin and which could be formed as early as Fall 2017; and

WHEREAS, the Shandon-San Juan Water District desires to form a GSA to cover all areas within the boundaries of the Shandon-San Juan Water District as of the June 30, 2017 deadline; and

WHEREAS, the Shandon-San Juan Water District has published a notice of public hearing consistent with the requirements contained within Water Code Section 10723(b); and

WHEREAS, the Shandon-San Juan Water District conducted such a public hearing on June 8, 2017; and

WHEREAS, the Shandon-San Juan Water District is committed to the sustainable management of groundwater within the Paso Basin in the manner required by SGMA and intends to coordinate with the other GSAs and affected parties, and to consider the interests of all beneficial users and uses of groundwater within the Paso Basin through a memorandum of agreement with the other GSAs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDERED by the Board of the Shandon-San Juan Water District, that:

Section 1: The foregoing recitals are true and correct and are incorporated herein by reference.

Section 2: The Shandon-San Juan Water District hereby decides to become the GSA for, and undertake sustainable groundwater management within the boundaries of the Shandon-San Juan Water District, and A map of the GSA Boundary is attached hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated herein.

Section 3: The President of the Board of the Shandon-San Juan Water District, or designee, is hereby authorized and directed to submit notice of adoption of this Resolution in addition to all other information required by SGMA, including but not limited to, all information required by Water Code Section 10723.8, to DWR, and to support the development and maintenance of an interested persons list as described in Water Code Section 10723.4 and a list of interested parties as described in Water Code Section 10723.8(a)(4).

Section 4: The President of the Board of the Shandon-San Juan Water District, or designee, is hereby authorized to take such other and further actions as may be necessary to effectuate the purposes of this Resolution.

Upon motion of Director Turrentine, seconded by Director Sinton,

and on the following roll call vote, to wit:

AYES: 5

NOES: 0

ABSENT: 0

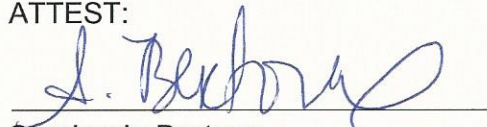
ABSTAINING: 0

the foregoing resolution is hereby adopted on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2017.



Willy Cunha,  
President of the Board of Directors

ATTEST:



Stephanie Bertoux,  
Secretary of the Board of Directors

Dated: June 8, 2017

# NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

SHANDON-SAN JUAN WATER DISTRICT

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## Forming Shandon-San Juan Ground Sustainability Agency

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**Project Location (Specific address):**

Paso Robles Groundwater Base

**Project Location (County):**

San Luis Obispo

**Project Applicant & Phone No.:**

Shandon-San Juan Water District (805) 239-0555

**Applicant Address (specific):**

365 Truesdale RD. PO Box 150

Shandon, CA 93461

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## Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project

Form a Groundwater Sustainability Agency (GSA) for the District portion of the Paso Robles Groundwater Basin. To cooperate with the other Basin GSA's to write a single Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP).

**Name of Public Agency Approving Project:** Shandon-San Juan Water District

**Exempt Status:**

Statutory Exemption

{Sec. 15262 }

**Reasons why project is exempt:** The activity is statutorily exempt from CEQA because it is a planning study that collects inventories groundwater data and studies & uses that data to create a GSP. The GSP will include water budgets, strategies, and potential actions projects and programs. Future implementation of any identified actions, projects or programs would be subject to CEQA review.

Willy Cunha President Board of Director

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**Lead Agency Contact Person**

**Telephone**

Signature



Date

06/08/17

Name (Print) Willy Cunha

Title President of the Board of Directors