

Pursuant to Section 10723.8(a)(4) of the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA), following is an initial list of interested parties in the San Gorgonio Pass Subbasin (Basin) developed pursuant to SGMA Section 10723.2 and an explanation of how their interests will be considered in the development and operation of the Verbenia-GSA and the development and implementation of a Groundwater Sustainability Plan that will be adopted by the Verbenia-GSA as it applies to an approximately one-square mile portion of the Basin referred to as the Verbenia Area. This supplements the information provided in the accompanying Notice of Election to Jointly Form and Become a Groundwater Sustainability Agency for the Verbenia Area of the San Gorgonio Pass Subbasin (Notice Letter).

1. Holders of overlying groundwater rights

- a. Agricultural users – Very little documented overlying agricultural use occurs in the Basin, and it does not appear that any overlying agricultural use occurs in the Verbenia Area. Most land uses in the Basin are municipal and industrial in nature. A more comprehensive survey of overlying agricultural users in the Basin and steps to actively involve them as stakeholders will be undertaken throughout the SGMA process.
- b. Domestic well owners – Very few domestic users in the Basin are served by individual overlying wells, and it does not appear that any individual domestic wells exist in the Verbenia Area. A more comprehensive survey of overlying domestic well owners in the Basin and steps to actively involve them as stakeholders will be undertaken throughout the SGMA process.
- c. Other well users – A few well users exist in the Basin that produce groundwater for irrigation, industrial, and other purposes, including but not limited to Robertson Ready Mix and the Summit Cemetery District. Notably, these well users are not located in the Verbenia Area. A more comprehensive survey of such other groundwater users in the Basin and steps to actively involve them as stakeholders will be undertaken throughout the SGMA process.

2. Municipal well operators – The City of Banning (Banning) is the only municipal well operator in the unadjudicated portion of the Basin. As set forth in the Notice Letter, Banning is a member agency of the San Gorgonio Pass Groundwater Sustainability Agency (SGP-GSA) that already has been formed in the Basin. Banning is not located within the Verbenia Area.

3. Public water systems – Several public water systems provide water service in unadjudicated portion of the Basin, including Banning, Banning Heights Mutual Water Company (BHMWC), Cabazon Water District (CWD), Mission Springs Water District (MSWD), Desert Water Agency (DWA), and High Valleys Water District (HVWD). In addition, the San Gorgonio Pass Water Agency (SGPWA) is a wholesale water supplier within the Basin. Banning, BHMWC, CWD, and SGPWA are member agencies of the SGP-GSA that already has been formed for most of the Basin. DWA is the GSA for another portion of the Basin pursuant to SGMA Section 10723(c)(1)(C). As set forth in

the Notice Letter, SGPWA and MSWD have elected to form the Verbenia-GSA for the remaining approximately one-square mile portion of the Basin referred to as the Verbenia Area.

4. Local land use planning agencies – Land use planning agencies that overlie the unadjudicated portion of the Basin include Banning, the County of Riverside, and the County of San Bernardino. As further noted below, the Morongo Band of Mission Indians (MBMI) also overlies a portion of the Basin and carries out land use planning for MBMI lands. Notably, no MBMI lands exist within the Verbenia Area.
5. Environmental users of groundwater – Currently no environmental users of groundwater have been identified in the Basin. A more comprehensive survey of any such users and steps to actively involve them as stakeholders will be undertaken throughout the SGMA process.
6. Surface water users, if there is a hydrologic connection between surface and groundwater bodies – Currently no surface water users with a hydrologic connection to groundwater have been identified in the Basin. A more comprehensive survey of any such users and steps to actively involve them as stakeholders will be undertaken throughout the SGMA process.
7. The federal government, including, but not limited to, the military and managers of federal lands – As noted below, the federal government may have interests in the Basin vis-à-vis its relationship to the MBMI. No MBMI lands exist within the Verbenia Area.
8. California Native American tribes – As noted above, the MBMI overlies a portion of the Basin and carries out various activities related to groundwater resources, including but not limited to land use planning for MBMI lands, domestic water service, and a land lease to a water bottling operation. No MBMI lands exist within the Verbenia Area.
9. Disadvantaged communities, including, but not limited to, those served by private domestic wells or small community water systems – Certain areas within the Basin have been designated as disadvantaged communities, including but not limited to areas within Cabazon and the City of Banning.
10. Entities listed in Section 10927 that are monitoring and reporting groundwater elevations in all or a part of the basin managed by the groundwater sustainability agency – The San Geronimo Pass Water Agency is the CASGEM monitoring and reporting agency for the Basin.

As described in the Notice Letter and the MOA, a portion of the Basin is subject to the Beaumont Basin adjudication and Judgment in the case referred to as *San Timoteo Watershed Management Authority v. City of Banning, et al.*, Riverside County Superior Court Case No. RIC 389197, which pursuant to SGMA Section 10720.8(a)(1) generally is not subject to the requirements of SGMA and accordingly will not be managed under SGMA by the Verbenia-GSA or other GSAs in the Basin. Notwithstanding, parties to the Beaumont Basin adjudication

and Judgment and groundwater users in that portion of the Basin will be considered in the development and operation of the Verbenia-GSA and the development and implementation of a Groundwater Sustainability Plan that will be adopted by the Verbenia-GSA.

As specifically provided in the MOA, SGPWA and MSWD have agreed to work together in ensuring public outreach and involvement of the public and other interested stakeholders throughout the SGMA process, including but not limited to all beneficial uses and users of groundwater within the Verbenia-GSA, and those responsible for implementing Groundwater Sustainability Plans in the Basin, as provided in SGMA Section 10723.2. SGPWA and MSWD will continue to consider and involve the interests of all entities and stakeholders within the Verbenia-GSA to the extent practicable by establishing a collaborative, open, and inclusive process for implementing the requirements of SGMA. Among other things, in accordance with SGMA Section 10723.4, the Verbenia-GSA will establish and maintain a list of persons interested in receiving notices regarding the preparation of any Groundwater Sustainability Plan applicable to the Verbenia-GSA, meeting announcements, and the availability of draft plans, maps, and other relevant documents.