

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, GLENN COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

RESOLUTION NO. 2015- 48

**A RESOLUTION OF THE GLENN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
ELECTING TO BECOME THE GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY FOR
ALL THE PORTIONS OF THE COLUSA, CORNING, AND WEST BUTTE SUBBASINS
OF THE SACRAMENTO VALLEY GROUNDWATER BASIN LOCATED WITHIN
THE BOUNDARIES OF GLENN COUNTY**

WHEREAS, the legislature has adopted, and the Governor has signed into law, Senate Bills 1168 and 1319 and Assembly Bill 1739, known collectively as the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act of 2014; and

WHEREAS, the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act of 2014 (SGMA) became effective on January 1, 2015; and

WHEREAS, Water Code Section 10723(a) authorizes any local agency or combination of local agencies overlying a groundwater basin to elect to be a GSA for that basin; and

WHEREAS, Water Code Section 10721(j) defines a Groundwater Sustainability Agency as one or more local agencies that implement the provisions of SGMA; and

WHEREAS, Glenn County is a qualified local agency as defined in SGMA; and

WHEREAS, SGMA enables the State Water Resources Control Board to intervene in the management of groundwater basins under certain conditions including the unwillingness of a local agency or combination of local agencies to form a Groundwater Sustainability Agency by June 30, 2017; and

WHEREAS, retaining local jurisdiction over sustainable groundwater management and land use is beneficial to the health, safety, and welfare of Glenn County residents; and

WHEREAS, Glenn County overlies the unadjudicated basins of the Colusa, the Corning, and the West Butte Subbasins of the Sacramento Valley Groundwater Basin as illustrated in Department of Water Resources Bulletin 118 (update 2003); and

WHEREAS, Glenn County is in a unique position and shall consider the interests of all beneficial users of groundwater, and those responsible for implementing groundwater sustainability plans as required by SGMA; and

WHEREAS, SGMA requires that a local agency electing to become a Groundwater Sustainability Agency must notify the Department of Water Resources of its intent to undertake sustainable groundwater management within a basin; and

WHEREAS, Glenn County intends to work cooperatively with other local agencies to manage the aforementioned groundwater basins in a sustainable fashion;

WHEREAS, adoption of this Resolution does not constitute a "Project" under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Sections 15378(a) and (b) of Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations because this Resolution does not result in direct or indirect physical change in the environment; and

WHEREAS, the Board held a public hearing on this date after publication of notice pursuant to Government Code section 6066 to consider the election to become a Groundwater Sustainability Agency; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, ORDERED, AND DECLARED that the Glenn County Board of Supervisors hereby elects to become the Groundwater Sustainability Agency for all the portions of the Colusa (5-21.52), Corning (5-21.51), and West Butte (5-21.58) subbasins of the Sacramento Valley Groundwater Basin, as depicted by Department of Water Resources Bulletin 118 (Update 2003), located within the boundaries of Glenn County.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that within thirty days of this date, the Water Resource Coordinator is directed to provide notice of this election and intent to undertake sustainable groundwater management for the aforementioned subbasins to the California Department of Water Resources in the manner required by law.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Glenn County shall engage in discussions with other local agencies in these basins in order to begin the process of developing a groundwater sustainability plan for the basins, or a joint plan with other groundwater sustainability agencies in which the County might join, in consultation and close coordination with other local agencies, as contemplated by SGMA.

THIS RESOLUTION WAS PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Glenn County Board of Supervisors, State of California, at the meeting held on the 7th day of July, 2015, by the following vote:

AYES: Supervisors Foltz, McDaniel, Viegas, and Soeth (Chairman)

NOES: Supervisor Corum

ABSENT OR ABSTAIN: None


STEVE SOETH, CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:


DI AULABAUGH
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
County of Glenn, California

The foregoing instrument is a correct copy of the original on file in this office

ATTEST:

July 7, 2015
Di Aulabaugh
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
County of Glenn, State of California

By:



Deputy

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "H. Carlyle, Jr.", written over a horizontal line.

HUSTON T. CARLYLE, JR.,
County Counsel, County of Glenn, California