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**RE: ADDENDUM TO ORIGINAL AUGUST 2, 2016 LTRID NOTICE OF ELECTION TO
SERVE AS A GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY FOR A PORTION OF THE
TULE SUBBASIN AND ADVISEMENT OF NON-MATERIAL BOUNDARY ADJUSTMENTS
TO LTRID SERVICE AREA BOUNDARIES**

Dear Mr. Nordberg:

Please accept this addendum to the Notice of Election (see **Attachment A**) originally filed by the Lower Tule River Irrigation District that advised Department of Water Resources (DWR) of its election to become a Groundwater Sustainability Agency (LTRID GSA) for a Portion of the Tule Subbasin, pursuant to the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act.

LTRID GSA originally filed its Notice of Election to become a Groundwater Sustainability Agency for a Portion of the Tule Subbasin with DWR on August 2, 2016 along with all appropriate documentation and boundary files to DWR. DWR approved the LTRID GSA as an exclusive GSA over its portion of the Tule Subbasin.

This addendum, along with its associated documents, is being filed to advise DWR of non-material boundary adjustments to the service area of the LTRID GSA.

Subsequent analyses of the boundary files originally filed with DWR indicated certain jurisdictional overlaps and service area issues between certain Tule Subbasin GSAs. Eastern Tule GSA (ETGSA) and Lower Tule River Irrigation District GSA have resolved and/or otherwise agreed to a series of minor, non-material boundary changes in order to resolve these overlaps and service area issues.

The following jurisdictional overlaps and service area issues have been addressed by these non-material boundary adjustments:

- Jurisdictional overlaps between LTRID GSA, ETGSA, and their member agencies in the vicinity of Porterville Irrigation District and Poplar Community Services District.

The LTRID GSA Board of Directors approved the following Resolutions in open session in support of the non-material boundary changes:

- RESOLUTION 2019-05-1: RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR A NON-MATERIAL GSA BOUNDARY CHANGE BETWEEN ETGSA AND LTRID GSA (see **Attachment B**).

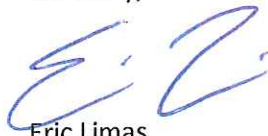
Additional documents filed with this addendum to further support the noted non-material adjustments include:

- A PDF map of the revised service area boundaries of LTRID GSA (see **Attachment C**);
- A Resolution from ETGSA in support of the boundary adjustment between ETGSA and LTRID GSA (see **Attachment D**); and
- A revised shapefile of LTRID GSA's service area boundaries.

LTRID GSA will continue to work cooperatively with interested parties, stakeholders, and those representing all beneficial uses and users of groundwater as it seeks to develop and eventually implement its Groundwater Sustainability Plan. Moreover, LTRID GSA remains committed to cooperatively working with other GSAs within the Tule Subbasin and in surrounding Subbasins so as to coordinate all activities and efforts related to the successful implementation of SGMA.

Should DWR have any questions or require any further information regarding the addendum and/or non-material boundary adjustments to the LTRID GSA's service area, please contact General Manager Eric Limas at 559-686-4716, or elimas@ltrid.org.

Sincerely,



Eric Limas

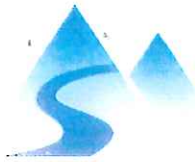
General Manager

Attachments:

- Attachment A: NOTICE OF THE LOWER TULE RIVER IRRIGATION DISTRICT GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY'S ELECTION TO BECOME A GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY FOR A PORTION OF THE TULE SUBBASIN – August 2, 2016
- Attachment B: LTRID GSA RESOLUTION 2019-5-1: RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR A NON-MATERIAL GSA BOUNDARY CHANGE BETWEEN ETGSA AND LTRIDGSA – May 14, 2019
- Attachment C: Revised LTRID GSA Service Area Boundary Map
- Attachment D: A Resolution from ETGSA in support of the boundary adjustment between ETGSA and LTRID GSA – May 2, 2019.

Additional Files:

- Shapefile: Revised LTRID GSA Service Area



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**RE: NOTICE OF THE LOWER TULE RIVER IRRIGATION DISTRICT'S ELECTION TO
BECOME A GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY FOR A PORTION OF
THE TULE SUBBASIN**

Dear Mr. Nordberg:

Pursuant to California Water Code section 10723.8, under the Sustainable Groundwater Act ("SGMA"), the Lower Tule River Irrigation District ("Lower Tule") provides this notice to the Department of Water Resources ("DWR") of its election to become a Groundwater Sustainability Agency ("GSA") and to undertake sustainable groundwater management in the portion of the Tule Subbasin (DWR Subbasin 5-22.13) underlying Lower Tule's boundary as indicated on the map attached hereto as **Exhibit "A-1" and "A-2"**. Lower Tule has entered into a Memorandum of Understanding with local Public Utility District's and Community Services District's for them to be included in the GSA boundaries. A copy of those Memorandums of Understanding is attached as **Exhibit "B"**.

On July 12, 2016, Lower Tule held a noticed public hearing in accordance with California Water Code Section 10723(b). Proof of publication in accordance with Government Code section 6066 is attached hereto as **Exhibit "C"**.

After holding the public hearing, Lower Tule's Board of Directors adopted Resolution Number 2016-7-1, attached hereto as **Exhibit "D"**, electing to become a GSA over the portion of the Tule Subbasin within Lower Tule's boundary. Lower Tule intends to work collaboratively with other formed GSA's in the Tule Subbasin to jointly manage groundwater and to develop a Groundwater Sustainability Plan ("GSP"). Lower Tule's Board of Directors is planning to negotiate a memorandum of understanding, cooperative agreements, or other forms of agreements with other GSA's within the Tule Subbasin for the purpose of implementing a cooperative, coordinated structure for the management of groundwater and the development of a GSP.

Pursuant to California Water Code section 10723.2, Lower Tule shall consider the interests of all beneficial uses and users of groundwater, as well as those responsible

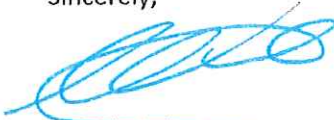
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for implementing a GSP. An initial list of stakeholders and interested parties include, but not limited to the following:

- a) Holders of overlying groundwater rights, including:
 - 1) Agricultural users - The GSA area is composed almost entirely of agricultural users with the service boundaries.
 - 2) Domestic well owners - There are domestic wells within the proposed GSA management area. However, because SGMA excludes "de minimis extractors" it is anticipated that the GSP will exclude domestic wells from such requirements.
- b) Municipal well operators - No incorporated cities within the GSA boundary.
- c) Public Water Systems - Tipton Community Services District, Poplar Community Services District and Woodville Public Utility District.
- d) Local land use planning agencies - County of Tulare
- e) Environmental users of groundwater - U.S. Department of Fish and Wildlife
- f) Surface water users, if there is a hydrologic connection between surface and groundwater bodies - None.
- g) The Federal Government, including, but not limited to, the military, and managers of federal lands - U.S. Department of Fish and Wildlife.
- h) California Native American tribes - None.
- i) Disadvantaged communities, including but not limited to, those served by private domestic wells or small community water systems - The communities of Tipton, Woodville and Poplar.
- j) Entities listed in Water Code section 10927 that are monitoring and reporting groundwater elevations in all or a part of a groundwater basin managed by the groundwater sustainability agency - None.

Lower Tule intends to work cooperatively with stakeholders to develop and implement a GSP by collaborating with other qualified GSA's in the Tule Subbasin. Lower Tule shall maintain a list of interested parties to be included in the formation of a GSP. Interested parties will have opportunities, both formal and informal to provide input to Lower Tule throughout the process of developing, operating, and implementing the GSA and GSP. Such opportunities may include but are not limited to, public comment during Lower Tule's regular and special meetings and at other times to be determined and noticed pursuant to Water Code section 10727.8(a). By this notification, Lower Tule has provided DWR with all applicable information in California Water Code section 10723.8(a).

Sincerely,



Daniel Vink
General Manager

Exhibits:

- Exhibit "A-1": Boundary Map
- Exhibit "A-2": Area Map
- Exhibit "B": Memorandum of Understanding
- Exhibit "C": Notice of Public Hearing
- Exhibit "D": Resolution 2016-7-1

**RESOLUTION 2019-5-1
of the
LOWER TULE RIVER IRRIGATION DISTRICT GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY
JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY**

**RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR A NON-MATERIAL GSA BOUNDARY CHANGE
BETWEEN ETGSA and LTRIDGSA**

AT A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF LOWER TULE RIVER IRRIGATION DISTRICT GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY ("LTRIDGSA"), HELD ON MAY 14, 2019.

WHEREAS, the boundaries between Lower Tule River Irrigation District GSA (hereafter, "LTRIDGSA"), and Eastern Tule GSA (hereafter, "ETGSA") are intended to be coterminous with the jurisdictional boundaries of their respective member agencies to the extent that they reside within the Tule Subbasin;

WHEREAS, the authority of each GSA to encompass a certain jurisdictional boundary is limited to the jurisdictional boundaries of their respective member entities and the agreement of these member entities to have part or all of their boundaries reside within the respective GSA for the purposes of implementing the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act within the Tule Subbasin;

WHEREAS, currently, the boundaries between LTRIDGSA, and ETGSA are not fully coterminous with the jurisdictional boundaries of their respective member agencies and a non-material boundary change is necessary to rectify existing boundary offsets that result in various instances of improper boundary delineations between these GSAs;

WHEREAS, Poplar Community Services District (hereafter, "PCSD") is, by Memorandum of Understanding, a member of LTRIDGSA and intends to remain a member of this entity;

WHEREAS, Porterville Irrigation District (hereafter, "PID") is, by Joint Powers Agreement, a member of ETGSA and intends to remain a member of this entity;

WHEREAS, the district boundaries of PID and PCSD overlap in three instances and non-material boundary adjustment is necessary to resolve which of these instances should reside within either ETGSA or LTRIDGSA; and

WHEREAS, attached hereto and incorporated by reference as Exhibit A is a depiction of recommended boundary adjustment amongst LTRIDGSA and ETGSA so as to resolve the improper boundary offsets and member agency overlaps; and

WHEREAS, it is understood that the proposed non-material boundary change is to be deliberated upon and considered for approval by the Board of ETGSA.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of LTRIDGSA hereby expresses its support for non-material boundary change between LTRIDGSA and ETGSA, as described in Exhibit A, and authorizes staff to undertake this change following approval of the same boundary adjustments by the Board of ETGSA.

ADOPTED: May 14, 2019, upon motion of Director Garcia, seconded by Director Costa, and passed by the following vote:

AYES: Fernandes, Barcellos, P. Tigliano, Costa, Garcia

NOES: 0

ABSTAIN: 0

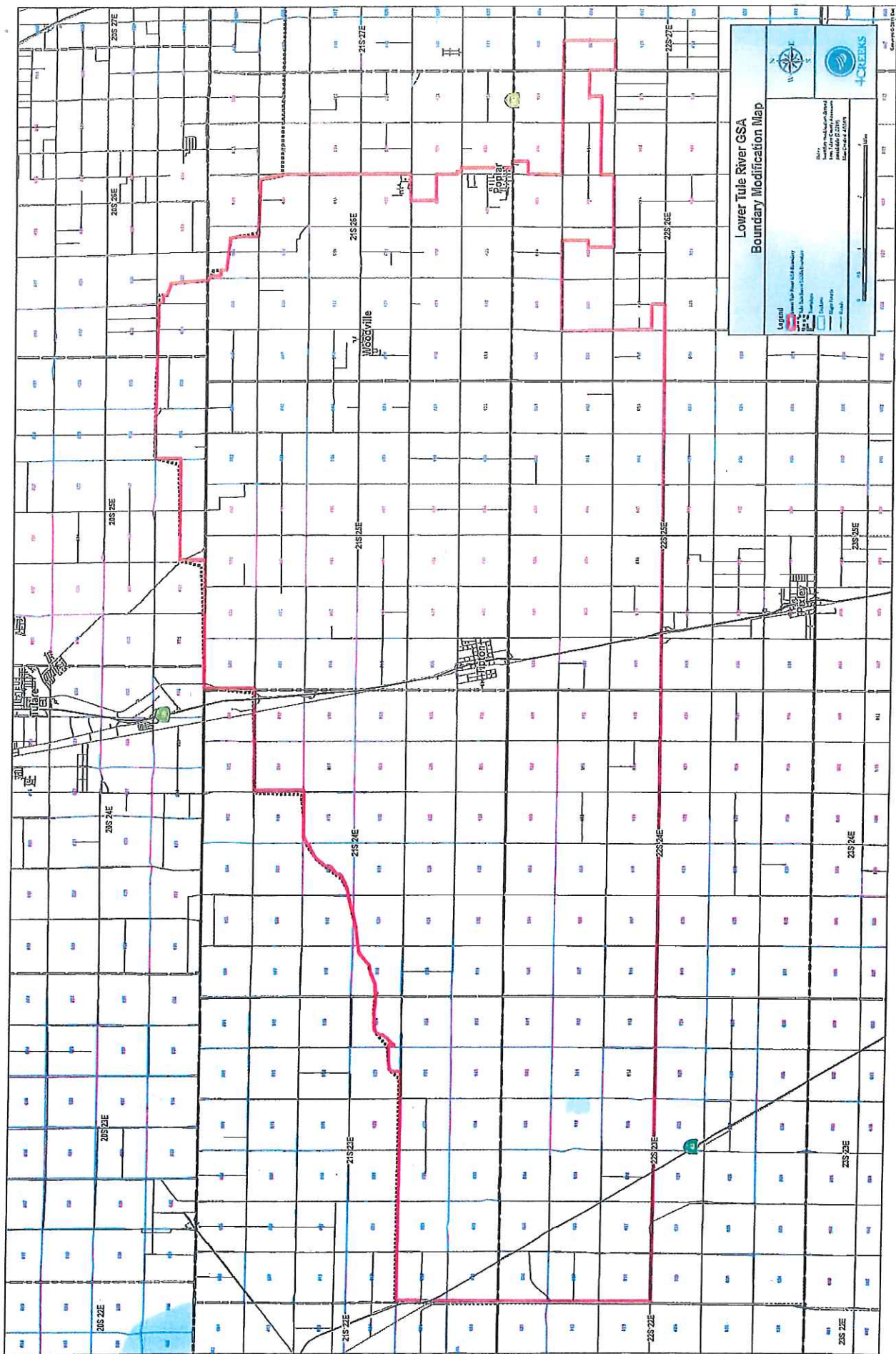
ABSENT: 0

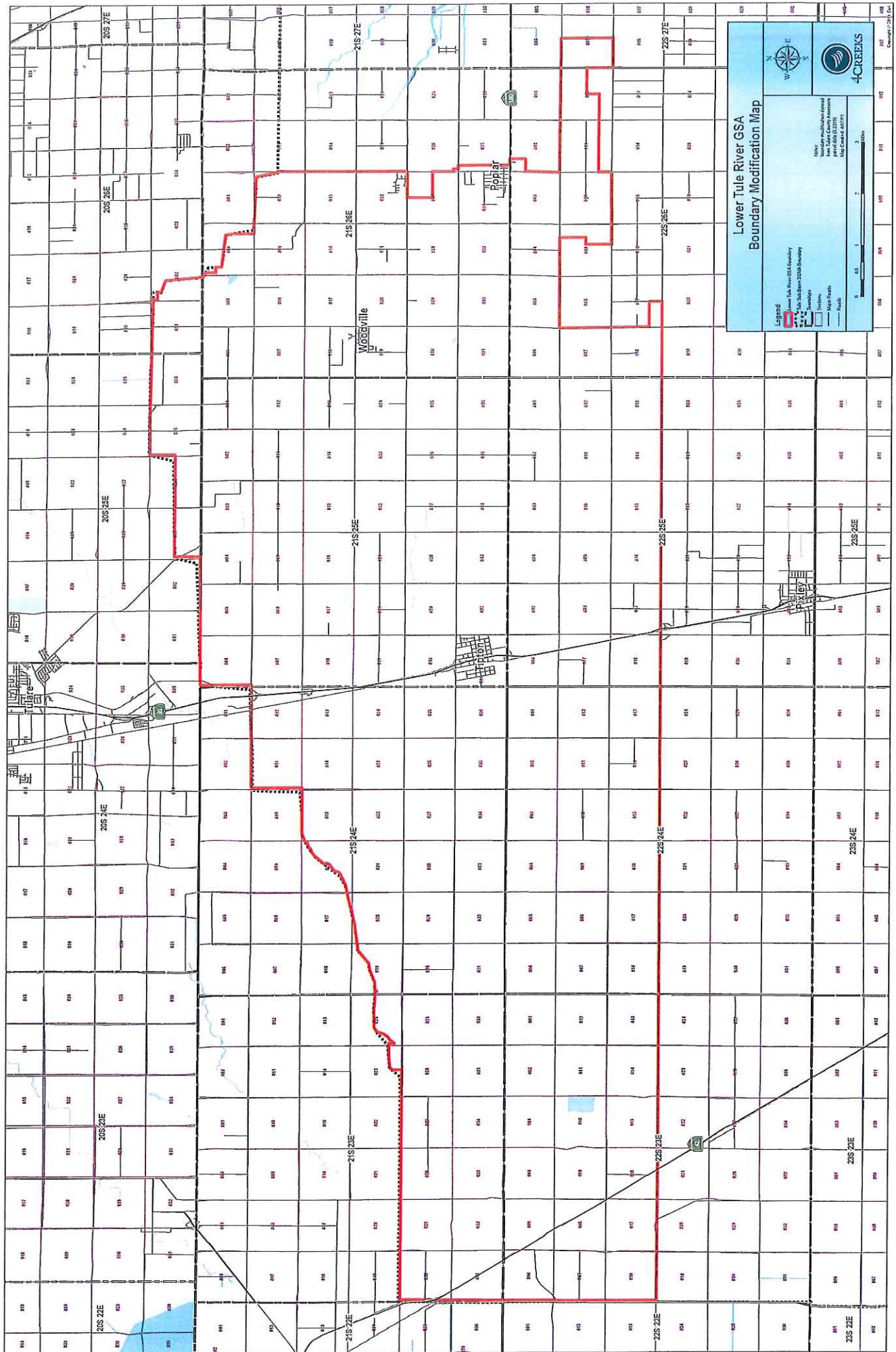
Certificate of Secretary

I do hereby certify that I am the Secretary of the Lower Tule River Irrigation District Groundwater Sustainability Agency Joint Powers Authority, a groundwater sustainability agency organized and existing under the laws of the State of California, and that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted by the Board of Directors of said Agency at a meeting thereof duly and regularly held on the 14th of May, 2019, at which meeting a quorum of the said Board of Directors was at all times present and acting, and that said Resolution has not been rescinded or amended in whole or any part thereof, and remains in force and effect.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have signed this Certificate on this 14th day of May, 2019, at the Lower Tule River Irrigation District, 357 East Olive Ave., Tipton, California.


Eric Limas, Secretary
Lower Tule River Irrigation District GSA





**RESOLUTION 2019-002
of the
EASTERN TULE GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY
JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY**

**RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR A NON-MATERIAL GSA BOUNDARY CHANGE
BETWEEN ETGSA AND LTRIDGSA**

AT A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF EASTERN TULE GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY ("ETGSA"), HELD AT THE CITY OF PORTERVILLE MAIN HALL, ON MAY 2, 2019.

WHEREAS, the boundaries between Lower Tule River Irrigation District GSA (hereafter, "LTRIDGSA") and Eastern Tule GSA (hereafter, "ETGSA") are intended to be coterminous with the jurisdictional boundaries of their respective member agencies to the extent that they reside within the Tule Subbasin;

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WHEREAS, attached hereto and incorporated by reference as Exhibit A is a depiction of recommended boundary adjustment amongst LTRIDGSA and ETGSA so as to resolve the improper boundary offsets and member agency overlaps; and

WHEREAS, it is understood that the proposed non-material boundary change is to be deliberated upon and considered for approval by the Board of LTRIDGSA.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of ETGSA hereby expresses its support for non-material boundary change between LTRIDGSA and ETGSA, as described in Exhibit A, and authorizes staff to undertake this change following approval of the same boundary adjustments by the Board of LTRIDGSA.

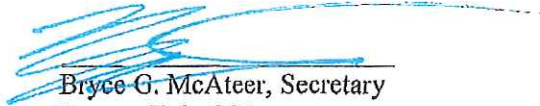
ADOPTED: May 2, 2019, upon motion of Director Townsend, seconded by Director Wheaton, and passed by the following vote:

AYES: 9
NOES: 0
ABSTAIN: 0
ABSENT: 0

Certificate of Secretary

I do hereby certify that I am the Secretary of the Eastern Tule Groundwater Sustainability Agency Joint Powers Authority, a groundwater sustainability agency organized and existing under the laws of the State of California, and that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted by the Board of Directors of said Agency at a meeting thereof duly and regularly held at the City of Porterville Main Hall, 291 N. Main Street, Porterville, California on the 2nd of May, 2019, at which meeting a quorum of the said Board of Directors was at all times present and acting, and that said Resolution has not been rescinded or amended in whole or any part thereof, and remains in force and effect.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have signed this Certificate on this 2nd day of May, 2019, at the City of Porterville Main Hall, 291 N. Main Street, Porterville, California.



Bryce G. McAteer, Secretary
Eastern Tule GSA

Resolution 2019-002
Exhibit A

