

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-08

**A RESOLUTION OF THE OWENS VALLEY GROUNDWATER AUTHORITY ELECTING
TO MODIFY THE EXISTING BOUNDARIES
OF THE GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY**

WHEREAS, the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act of 2014, Part 2.74 of Division 6 of the California Water Code ("SGMA") was signed into law on September 16, 2014; and

WHEREAS, the Owens Valley Groundwater Authority ("OVGA"), is a joint powers authority formed by "local agencies" as defined by California Water Code section 10721, and is eligible to serve as a Groundwater Sustainability Agency (GSA) under Water Code section 10723; and

WHEREAS, the combined service areas of the original member agencies of the OVGA completely overlaid the Owens Valley Groundwater Basin (Basin No. 6-12 in the Department of Water Resources Bulletin 118 Update 2016, henceforth "Basin"); and

WHEREAS, in July 2022, upon the withdrawal of Mono County from the OVGA, the remaining original members of the OVGA will no longer completely overlay the Basin in that it will not have jurisdiction over the GSA boundary north of the Inyo County line; and

WHEREAS, the OVGA desires to adjust its GSA boundary to exclude all portions of the Basin from the GSA boundary north of the Inyo County line, thereby remaining the exclusive GSA of the Basin only for those portions of the Basin within Inyo County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Owens Valley Groundwater Authority as follows:

1. Effective July 1, 2022, the Owens Valley Groundwater Authority hereby revises its GSA boundary to exclude all areas of the Basin north of the Inyo County line. The revised boundary of the OVGA is reflected on the map set forth in Exhibit A to this Resolution.
2. This GSA boundary adjustment is not intended to, and shall not, affect the OVGA's status as the exclusive GSA for the Basin boundary within Inyo County. As such, this modification is not a material change to the GSA within the Inyo County portion of the Basin. In the event this change in the OVGA's GSA boundary would affect the OVGA's status as the exclusive GSA within the Inyo County portions of the Basin,

this Resolution shall be null and void.

3. OVGA staff is authorized and directed to take all necessary actions to effectuate this GSA boundary modification.

PASSED AND ADOPTED ON THIS 14 DAY OF April, 2022 BY THE FOLLOWING

VOTE:

AYES: -6-

NAYS: -0-

ABSTAIN: -0-

ABSENT: -1-


Chairperson,
Owens Valley Groundwater Authority

Attest: 
Board Secretary

EXHIBIT A

The revised GSA area of the OVGA would include the portion of the basin in Inyo County subject to SGMA and excluding the lands managed pursuant to the terms of the stipulated judgement in City of Los Angeles v. Board of Supervisors of the County of Inyo (CWC 10720.8(c)).

