

LIST OF INTERESTED PARTIES

The Westside District Water Authority (**WDWA**) is a joint powers authority consisting of three members: (1) Belridge Water Storage District; (2) Berrenda Mesa Water District; and (3) Lost Hills Water District. To date, WDWA has complied with the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act through its participation in the Kern Groundwater Authority (**KGA**). As a member of the KGA, WDWA has developed and adopted a Groundwater Sustainability Plan (**GSP**) “Chapter” for inclusion in the KGA’s Umbrella GSP for the Kern County Groundwater Subbasin (**Subbasin**). In developing its GSP Chapter, WDWA held numerous public meetings and considered the interests of all relevant parties. Similarly, in forming the GSA, WDWA held several public meetings and a public hearing during which the public was invited to participate. Specifically, WDWA considered the interest of the following beneficial uses and users, as required under Water Code section 10723.2:

(a) Holders of Overlying Groundwater Rights

(1) Agricultural Users

Most of the agricultural landowners within the GSA’s boundaries rely on surface water deliveries from one of WDWA’s three members. There is little reliance on groundwater by agricultural landowners in the GSA’s boundaries due to water quality issues. Nonetheless, the GSA will continue to work with WDWA and its members to engage with and consider the interests of these beneficial users with regard to the implementation of WDWA’s GSP Chapter and the overall operation of the GSA.

(2) Food Processing Systems

A small number of food processing systems exist within the GSA’s boundaries. These systems, primarily used for almond and pistachio processing, use little to no groundwater. Nonetheless, the GSA will continue to engage with and consider the interests of these beneficial users with regard to the implementation of WDWA’s GSP Chapter and the overall operation of the GSA.

(3) Domestic Well Owners

There are less than half of a dozen domestic well owners within the GSA’s boundaries. The GSA will continue to reach out to and consider the interests of these beneficial users with regard to the implementation of WDWA’s GSP Chapter and the overall operation of the GSA.

(4) Commercial and Industrial Users (additional interest considered by the GSA)

There is a significant amount of oil and gas activity within the GSA’s boundaries. The GSA will continue to engage with and consider the interests of these beneficial users with regard to the implementation of WDWA’s GSP Chapter and the overall operation of the GSA.

(b) Municipal Well Operators

There are no municipal well operators within the GSA's boundaries. If any municipal well operators are identified in the future, the GSA will engage with these users and consider their interests with regard to the implementation of WDWA's GSP Chapter and the overall operation of the GSA.

(c) Public Water Systems

There are no public water systems within the GSA's boundaries. If any public water systems are identified in the future, the GSA will engage with these users and consider their interests with regard to the implementation of WDWA's GSP Chapter and the overall operation of the GSA.

(d) Local Land Use Planning Agencies

The GSA's boundaries consist of unincorporated land with the County of Kern. The Office of Planning and Natural Resources Development (**County**) is responsible for land use planning within these boundaries. The County has been and will continue to be involved in the development of the GSP Chapter and overall GSA operations.

(e) Environmental Users of Groundwater

There are no environmental users of groundwater within the GSA's boundaries. If any environmental users of groundwater are identified in the future, the GSA will engage with these users and consider their interests with regard to the implementation of WDWA's GSP Chapter and the overall operation of the GSA.

(f) Surface Water Users (If there is a hydrologic connection between surface and ground water bodies)

There are no surface water supplies within the GSA's boundaries that have a hydrologic connection to groundwater. If any such surface water users are identified in the future, the GSA will engage with these users and consider their interests with regard to the implementation of WDWA's GSP Chapter and the overall operation of the GSA.

(g) The Federal Government (Including, but not limited to, the military and managers of federal lands)

The GSA is unaware of any land owned by the Federal Government within its boundaries. If any such land is identified in the future, the GSA will engage with these users and consider their interests with regard to the implementation of WDWA's GSP Chapter and the overall operation of the GSA.

(h) California Native American Tribes

There are no California Native American tribes within the GSA's boundaries. If any California Native American tribes are identified in the future, the GSA will engage with these users and consider their interests with regard to the implementation of WDWA's GSP Chapter and the overall operation of the GSA.

(i) Disadvantage Communities (Including, but not limited to, those served by private domestic wells or small community water systems)

There are no disadvantaged communities within the GSA's boundaries. If any disadvantaged communities are identified in the future, the GSA will engage with these users and consider their interests with regard to the implementation of WDWA's GSP Chapter and the overall operation of the GSA.

(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 a GSA

There are no entities listed in Water Code section 10927 that are monitoring and reporting groundwater elevations in all or part of the Subbasin within the GSA's boundaries. If any of these entities are identified in the future, the GSA will engage with these users and consider their interests with regard to the implementation of WDWA's GSP Chapter and the overall operation of the GSA.