

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
SHAFTER-WASCO IRRIGATION DISTRICT**

IN THE MATTER OF:

RESOLUTION 22-17

**ELECTING FORMATION OF THE SHAFTER-WASCO IRRIGATION
DISTRICT GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY**

WHEREAS, in 2014, the California legislature adopted, and the Governor signed into law, the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) (Water Code §§ 10720 *et seq.*);

WHEREAS, the intent of SGMA is to provide for the sustainable management of groundwater basins at a local level by provide local agencies with the authority to sustainably manage groundwater;

WHEREAS, in order to exercise the groundwater management authority granted under SGMA, a qualified local agency may elect to establish a Groundwater Sustainability Agency (GSA);

WHEREAS, the District overlies a portion of the Kern County Subbasin (Basin No. 5-022.14) (the “Basin”), which has been designated by the Department of Water Resources (DWR) as a high priority basin subject to critical conditions of overdraft;

WHEREAS, the District desires to establish a GSA to cover all areas within the District’s boundaries that overlie the Basin;

WHEREAS, the District has published a notice of public hearing consistent with the requirements of Water Code Section 10723(b); and

WHEREAS, the District conducted such public hearing on October 12, 2022.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors as follows:

1. The foregoing recitals and findings are true and correct.
2. The District hereby elects to form the Shafter-Wasco Irrigation District (SWID) GSA to undertake sustainable groundwater management within the boundaries of the District.
3. District staff is hereby authorized and directed to submit notice of adoption of this Resolution to the Kern Groundwater Authority (KGA) and DWR, and to take such measures as are necessary and proper to comply with SGMA and DWR requirements, including to coordinate with the KGA and DWR to effectuate the District’s election to form the SWID GSA as provided for herein.

All THE FOREGOING, being on motion of Director Geordy W. Wise, seconded by Director Benjamin P. Wilson, and authorized by the following vote, to wit:

AYES: Craig Fulwyler, Geordy W. Wise, D. Mark Franz, Benjamin P. Wilson and Randy D. Bloemhof

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing resolution is the resolution of said District as duly passed and adopted by said Board of Directors on the 12th day of October, 2022.

WITNESS my hand and seal of said Board of Directors this 12th day of October, 2022.



Kris Lawrence, Secretary of the Board of Directors

(District Seal)