

RESOLUTION NO. 24-08

**RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE TULE LAKE SUBBASIN
AMENDED GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY PLAN**

A. **WHEREAS**, the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (“SGMA”) “provide[s] local groundwater sustainability agencies with the authority and technical and financial assistance necessary to sustainably manage groundwater” (Wat. Code, § 10720(d));

B. **WHEREAS**, SGMA requires sustainable management through the development of groundwater sustainability plans (“GSPs”), which can be a single plan developed by one or more groundwater sustainability agencies (“GSAs”) (Wat. Code, § 10727);

C. **WHEREAS**, SGMA requires a GSA to be formed to manage groundwater in all basins designated by the California Department of Water Resources (“DWR”) as medium or high priority, including the Tule Lake Subbasin;

D. **WHEREAS**, Tulelake Irrigation District, City of Tulelake, Siskiyou County, and Modoc County decided to become GSAs for the purpose of sustainably managing groundwater in the Tule Lake Subbasin within their jurisdictional boundaries, pursuant to the requirements of SGMA;

E. **WHEREAS**, each GSA has the authority to draft, adopt, and implement a GSP (Wat. Code, § 10725 *et seq.*);

F. **WHEREAS**, in August 2017, the GSAs executed a Memorandum of Understanding (“MOU”) to guide development and implementation of a single GSP to ensure sustainable groundwater management in the Tule Lake Subbasin (Wat. Code, § 10727(a)(2));

G. **WHEREAS**, the MOU established the “Core Team” comprised of representatives of each GSA, to direct and coordinate the development, financing, and implementation of the Tule Lake Subbasin GSP;

H. **WHEREAS**, after proper notice, and with input from advisory members, the Core Team developed a single GSP for the Tule Lake Subbasin;

I. **WHEREAS**, following receipt of comments on the draft GSP, the Core Team released a final GSP for adoption by the GSAs;

J. **WHEREAS**, during December 2021, each GSA adopted the Tule Lake Subbasin GSP, and on January 31, 2022, the GSAs submitted the Tule Lake Subbasin GSP to DWR;

K. **WHEREAS**, by letter dated January 18, 2024, DWR determined that the Tule Lake Subbasin GSP was “incomplete” pursuant to Section 355.2(e)(2) of the GSP regulations, and notified the GSAs that failure to address the deficiencies by July 16, 2024, could result in a determination that the GSP is “inadequate”;

L. WHEREAS, the Core Team has amended the Tule Lake Subbasin GSP to address DWR's determination, and on June 19, 2024, the Core Team reviewed the amended GSP and recommended that the GSAs adopt the amended GSP, which is attached to this resolution as Exhibit A.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Tulelake, acting as a GSA:

1. Approves and adopts the amended GSP as attached in Exhibit A for the area within the Tule Lake Subbasin in which the City of Tulelake has jurisdiction.
2. Delegates to the Core Team, the responsibility and the authority to take such other actions on its behalf as may be reasonably necessary to submit the amended GSP to DWR by July 16, 2024.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED this 2nd day of July, 2024 by the following vote:

AYES: 3 Mayor Cordonier, Council Members Ebinger and Williams
NAYS: 0
ABSTAIN: 0
ABSENT: 2 Council Members Pena-harsen and Hendricks

Thomas L. Cordonier
Thomas L. Cordonier, Mayor

Attest: Aissa Martinez
Aissa Martinez, City Clerk

Date: 7/2/24