



March 8, 2024

City of Dos Palos
City of Firebaugh
City of Gustine
City of Los Banos
City of Mendota
City of Newman
City of Patterson
County of Fresno
County of Madera
County of Merced
County of San Benito
County of San Joaquin
County of Stanislaus

Re: *Notice of Intent to Adopt a New Groundwater Sustainability Plan*

On behalf of the twenty-three (23) Groundwater Sustainability Agencies (“GSAs”) in the Delta-Mendota Subbasin (collectively, the “DM GSAs”, as listed below), the San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority (“Water Authority”), acting as Plan Manager, hereby gives notice that these GSAs intend to adopt a single Groundwater Sustainability Plan (hereafter referred to as “Delta-Mendota GSP”) for the Delta-Mendota Subbasin (Basin No. 5-022.07) pursuant to California Water Code Section 10727.8. This notice is specifically given to the cities of Dos Palos, Firebaugh, Gustine, Los Banos, Mendota, Newman, and Patterson; and the Counties of Fresno, Madera, Merced, San Benito, San Joaquin, and Stanislaus, which are the cities and counties within the area of the proposed Delta-Mendota GSP.

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On January 12, 2020, six coordinated GSPs were submitted to the California Department of Water Resources (“DWR”) for the Delta-Mendota Subbasin, as required by the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (“SGMA”).¹ DWR completed its two-year review of the six coordinated GSPs on January 21, 2022, determining all GSPs submitted in the Delta-Mendota Subbasin to be incomplete and identifying corrective actions that must be completed within 180 days of the determination.² On July 20, 2022, revised Plans were submitted to DWR. On March 2, 2023, DWR issued a determination for the revised coordinated Plans and determined all six

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¹ Water Code §§ 10720, *et seq.*

² DWR’s letter determination can be accessed on DWR’s SGMA Portal website:
<https://sgma.water.ca.gov/portal/gsp/status>.

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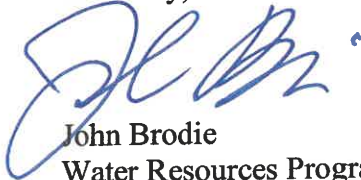
were inadequate. The DM GSAs now intend to address the deficiencies identified by DWR in a single GSP for the Delta-Mendota Subbasin.

The DM GSAs intend to hold public hearings to consider adoption of the Delta-Mendota GSP beginning in July 2024, but no earlier than 90 days from the date of this notice.

Cities or counties that receive this notice may request in writing to consult on the Delta-Mendota GSP. These requests must be received by the Plan Manager at the contact information below within 30 calendar days upon receipt of this notice.

To review the list of the GSA public hearings scheduled for adoption proceedings of the Delta-Mendota GSP, to download copies of the public drafts of the Delta-Mendota GSP and for other information, please visit <https://deltamendota.org/>

Sincerely,



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GSAs in the Delta-Mendota Subbasin :

- Aliso Water District
- Central Delta-Mendota
- City of Dos Palos
- City of Firebaugh
- City of Gustine
- City of Los Banos
- City of Mendota
- City of Newman
- City of Patterson
- County of Madera—3
- DM-II
- Farmers Water District
- Fresno County—Management Area ‘A’
- Fresno County—Management Area ‘B’
- Grassland
- Merced County—Delta-Mendota
- Northwestern Delta-Mendota

- Oro Loma Water District
- Patterson Irrigation District
- San Joaquin River Exchange Contractors Water Authority
- Turner Island Water District-2
- West Stanislaus Irrigation District
- Widren Water District