

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-248

A RESOLUTION OF THE LODI CITY COUNCIL ADOPTING THE
EASTERN SAN JOAQUIN GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY PLAN; AND
FURTHER AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO TAKE ACTION
NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THE PURPOSE OF THIS RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, in August 2014, the California Legislature passed, and on September 16, 2014 the Governor signed, legislation creating the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act ("SGMA") "to provide local groundwater sustainability agencies with the authority and technical and financial assistance necessary to sustainably manage groundwater" (Wat. Code, § 10720, (d)); and

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 ("GSA") or multiple coordinate plans within a basin or subbasin (Wat. Code, § 10727); and

WHEREAS, SGMA requires a GSA manage groundwater in all basins designated by the California Department of Water Resources ("DWR") as a medium or high priority, including the Eastern San Joaquin Subbasin (designated Basin No. 5-22.01); and

WHEREAS, the City of Lodi formed a GSA on January 6, 2016, pursuant to Council Resolution No. 2016-03, for the purposes of sustainably managing groundwater in the Eastern San Joaquin Subbasin, within its jurisdictional boundaries, pursuant to the requirements of SGMA; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lodi has the authority to draft, adopt, and implement a GSP (Wat. Code, § 10725 *et seq.*); and

WHEREAS, the City of Lodi is a member of the Eastern San Joaquin Groundwater Authority ("GWA") formed for the purpose developing a GSP and coordinating sustainable groundwater management in the Eastern San Joaquin Subbasin (Wat. Code, § 10723.6(i)); and

WHEREAS, the GWA submitted an Initial Notification to DWR on behalf of its members to jointly develop a GSP for the Eastern San Joaquin Subbasin on February 8, 2017; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lodi has coordinated with the GWA and all other GSAs in the Eastern San Joaquin Subbasin to draft a single GSP for its members; and

WHEREAS, on behalf of its members, the GWA developed the draft Eastern San Joaquin GSP ("ESJ GSP") and released the draft ESJ GSP for public comment on July 10, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the GWA reviewed and responded to comments on the ESJ GSP on behalf of its members; and

WHEREAS, on August 16, 2019, the GWA released the Notice of Intent on behalf of its members pursuant to Water Code section 10728.4; and

WHEREAS, the GWA released the final ESJ GSP on November 5, 2019, which has been made available for review at the City of Lodi, Public Works Department, located at 221 West Pine Street, Lodi, CA 95240, and on the City's website at <https://www.lohi.gov/DocumentCenter/View/3014/ESJ-GSP-Final-Draft>; and

WHEREAS, on October 17, 2019, the GWA recommended each of its members adopt the final ESJ GSP for their respective jurisdiction.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lodi City Council does hereby:

1. Approve and adopt the final Eastern San Joaquin Groundwater Authority Sustainability Plan; and
2. Authorize the City Manager, the Eastern San Joaquin Groundwater Authority, its consultants, and the Plan Manager to take such other actions as may be reasonably necessary to submit the final Eastern San Joaquin Groundwater Authority Sustainability Plan to California Department of Water Resources by January 31, 2020, and implement the purpose of this Resolution.

Dated: November 20, 2019

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I hereby certify that Resolution No. 2019-248 was passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Lodi in a regular meeting held November 20, 2019, by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS – Johnson, Kuehne, Nakanishi, and Mayor Chandler
NOES: COUNCIL MEMBERS – None
ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS – Mounce
ABSTAIN: COUNCIL MEMBERS – None



MARK CHANDLER
Mayor



JENNIFER M. FERRAILO
City Clerk