

RESOLUTION NO. 19-4

RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE EASTERN SAN JOAQUIN GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY PLAN

A. WHEREAS, in August 2014, the California Legislature passed, and in September 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

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

C. WHEREAS, SGMA requires a GSA manage groundwater in all basins designated by the Department of Water Resources ("DWR") as a medium or high priority, including the Eastern San Joaquin Subbasin (designated basin number 5-22.01); and

D. WHEREAS, Central San Joaquin Water Conservation District GSA was formed as a GSA on January 26, 2017, for the purposes of sustainably managing groundwater in the Eastern San Joaquin Subbasin, within its jurisdictional boundaries, pursuant to the requirements of SGMA; and

E. WHEREAS, Central San Joaquin Water Conservation District GSA has the authority to draft, adopt, and implement a GSP (Wat. Code, § 10725 *et seq.*); and

F. WHEREAS, the Central San Joaquin Water Conservation District GSA 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

G. 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

H. WHEREAS, the Central San Joaquin Water Conservation District GSA has coordinated with the GWA and all other GSAs in the Eastern San Joaquin Subbasin to draft a single GSP for its members; and

I. 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;

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

K. 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

L. WHEREAS, the GWA released the final ESJ GSP on November 5, 2019 which is attached to this resolution as Exhibit A; and

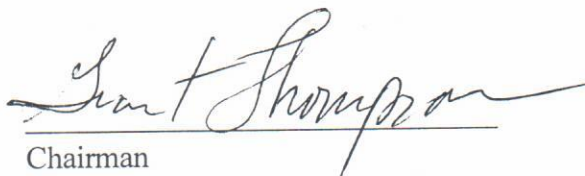
M. WHEREAS, the GWA recommended each of its members adopt the final ESJ GSP for their respective jurisdiction.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of the Central San Joaquin Water Conservation District GSA finds as follows:

1. Central San Joaquin Water Conservation District GSA hereby approves and adopts the final ESJGA GSP as attached in Exhibit A.
2. Central San Joaquin Water Conservation District GSA authorizes the GWA, its consultants, and the Plan Manager to take such other actions as may be reasonably necessary to submit the ESJGA GSP to DWR by January 31, 2020, and implement the purpose of this Resolution.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED this 21st day of November, 2019
by the following vote:

AYES: - 6 -
NAYS: - 0 -
ABSTAIN: - 0 -
ABSENT: - 0 -


Chairman

Attest:



Reid ROBERTS, Secretary

Date: 11-21-19