

RESOLUTION NO. 19-20-11

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
STOCKTON EAST WATER DISTRICT
ADOPTING THE EASTERN SAN JOAQUIN GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY PLAN

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

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

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

WHEREAS, Stockton East Water District was formed as a GSA on September 29, 2015 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, Stockton East Water District has the authority to draft, adopt, and implement a GSP (Wat. Code, § 10725 *et seq.*); and

WHEREAS, the Stockton East Water District 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 Stockton East Water District 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;

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 is attached to this resolution as Exhibit A; and

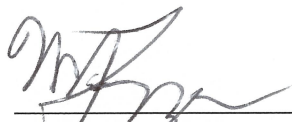
WHEREAS, on November 13, 2019 the GWA recommended each of its members adopt the final ESJ GSP for their respective jurisdiction.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of Stockton East Water District finds as follows:

1. Stockton East Water District hereby approves and adopts the final ESJGA GSP as attached in Exhibit A.
2. Stockton East Water District 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.

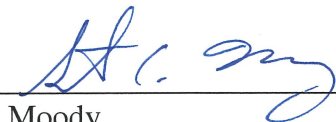
PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Stockton East Water District on the 17th day of December, 2019 by the following vote of the members thereof:

Ayes: Atkins, Cortopassi, McGaughey, McGurk, Panizza, Sanguinetti, Watkins
Noes: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None



Melvin Panizza, President

ATTEST:



Scot A. Moody
Secretary of the Board

