

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE  
EASTERN SAN JOAQUIN GROUNDWATER AUTHORITY**

**RESOLUTION R-22-07**

**Resolution Accepting the Revised Groundwater Sustainability Plan  
and Directing the Secretary of the Authority to  
Submit the Revised Plan to the California Department of Water Resources  
on Behalf of the Member Agencies**

WHEREAS, the Eastern San Joaquin Groundwater Authority (Authority) is a Joint Powers Authority created pursuant to California statute, and which is a public entity separate and apart from the Members, consisting of 16 Groundwater Sustainability Agencies (GSAs); and

WHEREAS, the Authority was formed to provide coordination among the Members to develop and implement a Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) for the Eastern San Joaquin Subbasin (Basin) in accordance with the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act of 2014 (SGMA); and

WHEREAS, the Authority coordinated among the Members the development of the GSP covering the entire Basin and submitted the GSP to California Department of Water Resources (DWR) in January 2020; and,

WHEREAS, the GSP, originally adopted by the GSA members of the Authority, was submitted to DWR on January 29, 2020 in compliance with SGMA; and

WHEREAS, DWR completed its two-year review and by letter dated January 28, 2022, determined the GSP to be incomplete and indicated that corrective actions must be completed within 180 days of this determination and submitted to DWR by July 27, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the staff and consulting team prepared a series of Technical Memorandums addressing the deficiencies and corrective actions and provided the basis for preparing a redline and strikeout revision to the GSP; all of which have been reviewed by the Ad Hoc Technical Advisory Committee and Ad Hoc Legal & Policy Committee over a series of meetings between November 2021 and July 2022; and

WHEREAS, on April 15, 2022, on behalf of the GSAs, the Authority noticed the intent to adopt an amended GSP pursuant to the California Water Code Section 10728.4, noting each of the GSAs intent to hold separate, duly noticed public hearings to consider adoption of an amended GSP after July 15, 2022, which is no earlier than ninety (90) days from the date of this notice; and

WHEREAS, the Technical Memorandums and Revised GSP are posted on the Authority website and have been discussed by the Authority at regular public meetings.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that in accordance with the provisions of SGMA, the Authority, on behalf of its Members, authorizes and directs the Authority Secretary to submit the Revised GSP to DWR on or before July 27, 2022.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 13<sup>TH</sup> day of July, 2022, by the following vote of the Board of Directors of the Eastern San Joaquin Groundwater Authority, to wit:

AYES: NOMELLINI, ROBERTS, SWIMLEY, BREITENBUCHER, WRIGHT, TOFANELLI, SMITH, HENRY, FLINN, THORBURN, HERRICK, HOLMES, WATKINS, WINN

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: MECHAM, CHRISTENSEN



ATTEST: FRITZ BUCHMAN, C.E., T.E., CFM  
Secretary



CHUCK WINN  
Chairman