

**Groundwater Sustainability Agency for the Eastern Management
Area in the Santa Ynez River Valley Groundwater Basin**

RESOLUTION EMA-2022-001

**RESOLUTION ADOPTING GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY PLAN FOR THE
EASTERN MANAGEMENT AREA OF THE SANTA YNEZ RIVER VALLEY
GROUNDWATER BASIN**

WHEREAS, the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (“SGMA”) requires that each groundwater basin in the state be managed by a Groundwater Sustainability Agency (“GSA”), or multiple GSAs, and that such management be pursuant to an approved Groundwater Sustainability Plan (“GSP”), or multiple GSPs;

WHEREAS, the Groundwater Sustainability Agency for the Eastern Management Area in the Santa Ynez River Valley Groundwater Basin (“EMA GSA”), formed by Memorandum of Agreement dated April 27, 2017 (“EMA MOA”), is the exclusive GSA for the Eastern Management Area of the Santa Ynez River Valley Groundwater Basin (Bulletin 118 Basin No. 3-015) (“Basin”);

WHEREAS, the EMA GSA has prepared a Groundwater Sustainability Plan (“GSP”) for the Eastern Management Area;

WHEREAS, on August 6, 2021, the EMA GSA gave notice under Water Code section 10728.4 to the City of Solvang and to Santa Barbara County regarding its intent to adopt the GSP;

WHEREAS, on September 09, 2021, the EMA GSA released the Public Draft GSP (dated September 2021), requesting comments from interested persons and agencies by October 24, 2021;

WHEREAS, on December 17 and December 24, 2021, notice was published in the Santa Barbara News Press of the public hearing on adoption of the GSP to be held at 6:30 p.m. on January 6, 2022;

WHEREAS, the Final GSP, with responses to public comments received, was presented to the EMA GSA Committee in a public hearing at 6:30 p.m. on January 6, 2022;

WHEREAS, the EMA GSA, together with the other two GSAs in the Basin, has entered into the Santa Ynez River Valley Groundwater Basin Coordination Agreement (“Coordination Agreement”), effective January 1, 2022; upon adoption of the GSP, Water Code Section 10733.4 requires that the GSP be submitted to DWR for review on or before January 31, 2022

NOW THEREFORE, the EMA GSA hereby resolves as follows:

- 1) Each of the recitals above is true and correct and is incorporated herein by reference.
- 2) The GSA finds that that the GSP and Coordination Agreement comply with the requirements of SGMA.
- 3) Pursuant to Water Code section 10728.4, the EMA GSA hereby adopts the GSP as the GSP for the Eastern Management Area of the Santa Ynez River Valley Groundwater Basin
- 4) The GSA hereby authorizes and instructs the Plan Manager designated under the Coordination Agreement to submit or direct the submittal of the GSP to the Department of Water Resources (“DWR”) as required by SGMA and the SGMA Regulations. The Plan Manager is authorized to make any minor, administrative changes to the GSP that are required for submittal to DWR.
- 5) Should DWR require substantive changes to the GSP adopted herein, the Plan Manager shall bring such changes back to the EMA GSA Committee for review and adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the governing Committee of the EMA GSA on January 06, 2022 by the following roll call vote:

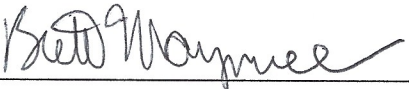
AYES: Joan Hartmann, Mark Infanti, Brad Joos, and Brett Marymee

NOES: None

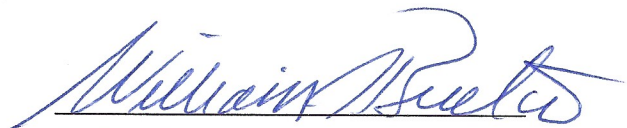
ABSENT: None

ABSTAINED: None

ATTEST:



Brett Marymee, Chairman



William J. Buelow, Secretary