

RESOLUTION 2017-3

A RESOLUTION OF THE OJAI BASIN GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT AGENCY BOARD OF DIRECTORS MAKING FINDINGS TO ACCEPT AUTHORIZATIONS UNDER THE SUSTAINABLE GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT ACT

WHEREAS, the Ojai Basin Groundwater Management Agency was formed in 1991 and has been designated as a Groundwater Sustainability Agency in the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act of 2014 (SGMA); and,

WHEREAS, the Ojai Basin Groundwater Management Agency is required to prepare and implement a groundwater management plan under its principal act; and,

WHEREAS, Water Code Section 10723(c)(3) states: A local agency with authority to implement a basin-specific management plan pursuant to its principal act shall not exercise any authorities granted in this part in a manner inconsistent with any prohibitions or limitations in its principal act unless the governing board of the local agency makes a finding that the agency is unable to sustainably manage the basin without the prohibited authority; and,

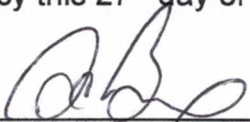
WHEREAS, Chapter 8, Part 2.74 of the Water Code, Sections 10730 – 10731, authorizes groundwater sustainability agencies to impose fees, including, but not limited to, permit fees and fees on groundwater extraction or other regulated activity, to fund the cost of a groundwater sustainability program, including but not limited to, preparation, adoption, and amendment of a groundwater sustainability plan, and investigations, inspections, compliance assistance, enforcement, and program administration, including a prudent reserve; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Ojai Basin Groundwater Management Agency Board of Directors declares and finds that;


1. The Ojai Basin Groundwater Management Agency is authorized under its principal act to implement a groundwater management program for the purposes of managing and preserving the water resources of the Ojai Basin; and,
2. The Ojai Basin Groundwater Management Agency's principal act includes prohibitions and limitations that are inconsistent with certain authorizations in the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act of 2014 and the agency is unable to sustainably manage the basin without the authorities in SGMA; and,
3. The Ojai Basin Groundwater Management Agency is unable to sustainably manage the Ojai Basin without the authorities granted by Chapter 8, Part 2.74 of the Water Code, Sections 10730 – 10731, authorizing the agency to impose fixed fees on groundwater extraction facilities; volumetric extraction fees in excess of \$25 per acre foot, if needed; and for the purposes of maintaining a prudent reserve; and,

4. The Ojai Basin Groundwater Management Agency shall use the authorizations contained in its principal act as well as those defined in the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act of 2014 to sustainably manage the Ojai Basin.

APPROVED by the Board of Directors of the Ojai Basin Groundwater Management Agency this 27th day of July of 2017.



Dan Breen, President


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Cece VanDerMeer, Secretary

Roll Call Vote: Yes or No

Dan Breen,	Mutual Water Companies	<u>Yes</u>
Russ Baggerly,	Casitas Municipal Water District	<u>Yes</u>
Johnny Johnson,	City of Ojai	<u>Yes</u>
Jim Finch,	Ojai Water Conservation District	<u>Yes</u>
(Seat Vacant)	Golden State Water Company	_____

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