

RESOLUTION 2017-1

A RESOLUTION OF THE OJAI BASIN GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT AGENCY BOARD OF DIRECTORS INCREASING THE GROUNDWATER EXTRACTION CHARGE.

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Ojai Basin Groundwater Management Act of 1991 and 2007, and the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act of 2014, the Agency is permitted to levy an extraction charge to pay for the cost of carrying out its responsibilities and duties under the law; and

WHEREAS, the Ojai Basin Groundwater Management Agency Ordinances and Resolutions require registration and reporting of groundwater extractions within the boundaries of the Agency and establish policy for levying an extraction charge under the law; and

WHEREAS, the operating costs of the Agency are expected to increase over the next five years as a result of the need to comply with the Agency's enabling legislation and the requirements of the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act of 2014; and

WHEREAS, a written report, dated February 2017, and attached 5 Year Cost of Service Analysis, have been prepared which demonstrate that an increase in the Agency's extraction fee is necessary to enable the Agency to pay for the cost of carrying out its responsibilities and duties under the law; and

WHEREAS, the Agency has provided two written notices to groundwater pumpers by mail via the U.S Postal Service, published four notices in a newspaper of general circulation, and held public hearings at the Board of Directors Meetings in February and April 2017, informing the public of a proposed extraction fee increase and inviting public comment.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Ojai Basin Groundwater Management Agency Board of Directors levies a groundwater extraction charge of \$25.00 per acre-foot, beginning July 1, 2017, which the Board has determined is necessary to initiate, carry on, and complete the powers, purposes and groundwater management activities of the Agency under the law.

APPROVED by the Board of Directors this 27th day of April of 2017.

Jerry Conrow
Jerry Conrow, President

Cece VanDerMeer, ATTEST
Cece VanDerMeer, Secretary

Roll Call Vote:	Yes or No
Jerry Conrow	<u>Y</u>
Roger Essick	<u>Y</u>
Russ Baggerly	<u>Y</u>

Johnny Johnston	<u>Y</u>
Mark Zimmer	<u>Y</u>