

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

RESOLUTION WMA-2021-002

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRPERSON TO SIGN THE SANTA YNEZ
RIVER VALLEY GROUNDWATER BASIN COORDINATION AGREEMENT**

WHEREAS, the Groundwater Sustainability Agency for the Western Management Area in the Santa Ynez River Valley Groundwater Basin (“GSA”), formed by Memorandum of Agreement dated January 11, 2017 (“MOA”), is the exclusive GSA for the Western Management Area of the Santa Ynez River Valley Groundwater Basin (Bulletin 118 Basin No. 3-015) (“Basin”);

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

WHEREAS, Water Code section 10727.6 requires each GSA to “coordinate with other agencies preparing a groundwater sustainability plan within the basin to ensure that the plans utilize the same data and methodologies”;

WHEREAS, Water Code section 10727(b)(3) requires that multiple GSPs implemented by multiple GSAs must be coordinated pursuant to a coordination agreement that covers the entire Basin;

WHEREAS, in February 2020, the individual member agencies of the three GSAs in the Basin executed that Intra-Basin Administrative Agreement for Implementation of the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act in the Santa Ynez River Valley Groundwater Basin, dated February 26, 2020 (“Intra-Basin Agreement”);

WHEREAS, in the Intra-Basin Agreement, the member agencies of the Parties agreed to develop and execute a Coordination Agreement in accordance with Water Code sections 10727(b)(3), 10727.6, and 10733.4(b)(3), and California Code of Regulations, title 23, Section 357.4;

WHEREAS, a Coordination Agreement has been prepared in consultation with staff of the member agencies of all three GSAs in the Basin and presented to this GSA for approval; and

WHEREAS, the GSA finds that the Coordination Agreement complies with the requirements of the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (“SGMA”).

NOW THEREFORE, the 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 Coordination Agreement complies with the requirements of SGMA.

- 3) The GSA hereby authorizes and instructs its Chairperson to execute the Coordination Agreement in substantially the form presented to the GSA, subject to such minor changes as are approved by the Chairperson.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the governing Committee of the WMA GSA on December 8, 2021 by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Jeremy Ball, Chris Brooks, Myron Heavin, Steve Jordan

NOES: None

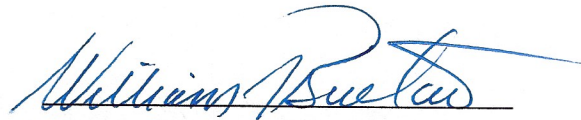
ABSENT: None

ABSTAINED: None

ATTEST:



Chris Brooks, Chairman



William J. Buelow, Secretary