

RESOLUTION NO. 25-02

A RESOLUTION OF THE LINDEN COUNTY WATER DISTRICT GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY APPROVING SUBMITTAL OF THE FIRST PERIODIC EVALUATION FOR THE EASTERN SAN JOAQUIN SUBBASIN

WHEREAS, in August 2014, the California Legislature passed, and in September 2014 the Governor signed the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act of 2015 (“SGMA”) “to provide local groundwater sustainability agencies with the Authority and technical and financial assistance necessary to sustainably manage groundwater” (Wat. Code, § 10720, (d)); and

WHEREAS, SGMA requires sustainable management of high priority groundwater basins through the development of groundwater sustainability plans (“GSPs”), which can be a single plan developed by one or more groundwater sustainability agencies (“GSAs”) or multiple coordinated plans within a basin or subbasin (Wat. Code, § 10727); and

WHEREAS, the Linden County Water District Groundwater Sustainability Agency is a member of the Eastern San Joaquin Groundwater Authority (“Authority”) formed for the purpose developing a GSP (the “ESJ GSP”) and coordinating sustainable groundwater management in the Eastern San Joaquin Subbasin (Wat. Code, § 10723.6(i)); and

WHEREAS, the ESJ GSP, having been adopted by all GSA members of the Authority (including the Linden County Water District Groundwater Sustainability Agency), amended in 2022, and ultimately approved by DWR on July 6, 2023; and

WHEREAS, SGMA and its implementing regulations require and authorize a GSA to periodically evaluate its GSP at least every five years, and whenever the GSP is amended, and to provide a written assessment to DWR that describes whether the GSP’s implementation, including implementation of projects and management actions (Wat. Code, § 10728.2; 23 Cal. Code Regs., § 356.4); and

WHEREAS, the Linden County Water District Groundwater Sustainability Agency coordinated with the Authority and all other GSAs overlying the Eastern San Joaquin Subbasin to prepare the Subbasin’s first “Periodic Evaluation” to be submitted to DWR by January 29, 2025; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Linden County Water District Groundwater Sustainability Agency hereby approves the submittal of the first Periodic Evaluation; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Linden County Water District Groundwater Sustainability Agency authorizes the Authority, its staff, and its consultants to take such other actions as may be reasonably necessary to submit the Periodic Evaluation to DWR by no later than January 29, 2025.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED this 16th day of January, 2025 by the following vote:

AYES: Knapp, Blanton, Reed, Smith

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Lagorio



Lawrence Knapp, Board President

Attest:



Barbara Kascht, Board Secretary