

COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO

RESOLUTION NO. 2017-0210

**RESOLUTION ACCEPTING PRESUMED GROUNDWATER
SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY RESPONSIBILITY FOR GROUNDWATER
SUBBASIN AREAS WITHIN SACRAMENTO COUNTY THAT REMAIN
UNMANAGED ON JUNE 30, 2017**

WHEREAS, on September 16, 2014, the California Legislature signed the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) into law;

WHEREAS, SGMA provides a framework for sustainable groundwater management by local water supply, water management and land use agencies (hereinafter identified as “local agencies”) within identified groundwater subbasins;

WHEREAS, SGMA defines groundwater subbasins as identified in “Bulletin 118”, a report by the State Department of Water Resources last updated in 2016 (Bulletin 118 Interim Update 2016, December 22, 2016);

WHEREAS, the California Department of Water Resources (DWR) has classified Sacramento County subbasins as either medium or high priority;

WHEREAS, SGMA requires management of medium and high priority subbasins by June 30, 2017;

WHEREAS, failure to notify DWR of subbasin management by June 30, 2017 exposes groundwater extractors to extraction reporting and probationary status;

WHEREAS, the SWRCB may, after notice and hearing, declare a subbasin probationary and intervene in its management if that subbasin is not fully managed on or after June 30, 2017;

WHEREAS, SGMA allows for flexibility in groundwater management, but requires coordination between local agencies and interested parties in the formation of groundwater sustainability agencies (GSA) to manage a subbasin;

WHEREAS, SGMA presumes that a county will manage subbasin areas within its jurisdiction not governed by a GSA on or after June 30, 2017;

WHEREAS, SGMA requires a county accepting presumed GSA responsibilities to provide specified notification of its acceptance to DWR by June 30, 2017; and

WHEREAS, SGMA requires a new notification to DWR when material changes from an original notification have occurred.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED The Sacramento County Board of Supervisors:

1. Incorporates the foregoing recitals as set forth herein;
2. Accepts presumed GSA management responsibility pursuant to California Water Code 10724 on behalf of Sacramento County for areas overlying medium and high priority groundwater subbasins within the County of Sacramento that are unmanaged on June 30, 2017;
3. Delegates authority to the Director of the Department of Water Resources to develop and submit the specified notification required to be provided to DWR to fulfill the purposes of this resolution;
4. Delegates authority to the Director of the Department of Water Resources to withdraw or modify the County presumed GSA notification to DWR to fulfill the purposes of this resolution; and
5. Delegates authority to the Director of the Department of Water Resources to do and take actions necessary to fulfill the purposes of this resolution.

On a motion by Supervisor Nottoli, seconded by Supervisor Kennedy, the foregoing Resolution was passed and adopted by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Sacramento, State of California, this 11th day of April, 2017, by the following vote, to wit:

AYES: Supervisors, Frost, Kennedy, Nottoli

NOES: None

ABSENT: Peters, Serna

ABSTAIN: None

RECUSAL: None

REFORM ACT (§ 18702.5.)

FILED
 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
 APR 11 2017
 BY Florence Evans
 CLERK OF THE BOARD



ATTEST: Florence Evans
 Clerk, Board of Supervisors

Don Nottoli

Chair of the Board of Supervisors
 of Sacramento County, California

In accordance with Section 25103 of the Government Code of the State of California, a copy of the document has been delivered to the Chair of the Board of Supervisors, County of Sacramento on 4.11.17

By: S. Strudwick
 Deputy Clerk, Board of Supervisors