



EASTERN SAN JOAQUIN GROUNDWATER AUTHORITY

Board of Directors Meeting

AGENDA

Wednesday, April 11, 2018

9:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

San Joaquin County – Robert J. Cabral Agricultural Center
2101 E. Earhart Avenue – Assembly Room #1, Stockton, California

I. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance & Safety Announcement/Roll Call

II. SCHEDULED ITEMS

A. Discussion/Action Items:

1. Approval of Minutes of March 14, 2018 (See Attached)
2. Update on Advisory Committee Appointment (See Attached)
3. Discussion and Possible Action to Change Time of GWA Board Meeting of May 2018 (See Attached)
4. Lathrop Boundary Change
5. Presentation by Woodard & Curran on Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) Development Process
 - i. Stakeholder Engagement and Public Outreach Plan
 - ii. Stakeholder Committee Progress and Update
 - iii. Physical Setting and Undesirable Results
 - iv. Materials for Groundwater Sustainability Agency (GSA) Outreach
6. Update from the Department of Water Resources (DWR)

B. Informational Items (see attached):

1. Save the Date Flyer from DWR, "SGMA Assistance Workshops," various locations in April, 2018
2. March 16, 2018, email from City of Lathrop, "BBMP Outreach-City of Lathrop"/"Notice of City of Lathrop's Basin Boundary Modification Request"
3. March 21, 2018, Letter from Mr. Tom Gohring of Sacramento Water Forum, "Request to Include a Technical Representative from the Cosumnes Subbasin on the Eastern San Joaquin Groundwater Authority Technical and Policy Advisory Committee"
4. March 23, 2018, email from Stanislaus County, "Public Notice for Stanislaus County Discretionary Well Permitting and Management Program Draft PEIR"
5. April 2, 2018, mantecabulletin.com, "River Islands Will Soon Start Using Recycled Water"

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- III. Public Comment
- IV. Directors' Comments
- V. Future Agenda Items
- VI. Adjournment

Next Regular Meeting

May 9, 2018 at 9:30 a.m.

San Joaquin County - Robert J. Cabral Agricultural Center
2101 E. Earhart Ave., Assembly Rm. #1, Stockton, California

Action may be taken on any item

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I. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance & Safety Announcement

The Eastern San Joaquin Groundwater Authority (GWA) Board meeting was convened by Chair Chuck Winn at 9:40 a.m., on March 14, 2018, at the Robert J. Cabral Agricultural Center, 2101 E. Earhart Ave. Stockton, CA. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, a representative of the San Joaquin County Office of Emergency Services provided the required safety information.

In attendance were Chair Chuck Winn, Vice-Chair Mel Panizza, Directors George Biagi, Jr. (arrived after roll call), Grant Thompson, Stephen Salvatore, Alan Nakanishi, Rich Silverman, Elbert Holman, Russ Thomas, David Fletcher, Mike Henry, Eric Thorburn, Dale Kuil, Alternate Directors Steve Cavallini, and Doug Heberle, and Secretary Kris Balaji.

II. SCHEDULED ITEMS

A. Discussion/Action Items:

1. Approval of Minutes of February 14, 2018

Director Salvatore requested an amendment to the minutes, noting there was no comment nor discussion by the Authority Board surrounding the informational items last month.

Motion: Vice-Chair Panizza moved, and Director Silverman seconded, approval of the February 14, 2018 minutes as amended. The motion was approved by directors; Director Holman abstained.

In addition, Ms. Mary Elizabeth, member of the public, requested the specific detailed references she made at last month's meeting be noted as follows:

- Page 2: The comment she made regarding CalWater's local cost share allocation also included a reference that CalWater and San Joaquin County have an MOU.
- Page 3: When she referenced Calaveras and Stanislaus Counties, she also mentioned the Eastside Groundwater Sustainability Agency (GSA). She added an additional comment that she still questions whether or not the JPA should have been amended to include the Eastside GSA.
- She stated that she had pointed out the article in February's agenda, that the City of Lathrop was studying a basin modification, to be moved to another subbasin.

2. Discussion and Possible Action to Authorize Submittal of a Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) Initial Notification Form to the Department of Water Resources (DWR).

Ms. Alyson Watson, Executive Vice President at Woodard & Curran, and project manager for GSP development, explained that the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) requires an on-line submittal of an Initial Notification Form for each GSP to DWR, which describes how interested parties can participate in the GSP development and implementation, and identifies a point of contact.

Ms. Elizabeth offered comment referring to Attachment II.A.2. of the agenda packet. She noted that on page 2, Scenario 1 is what the basin is involved in and stated that agencies have developed a coordination agreement. The reference states that "each GSP group must submit a GSP initial notification." She also referred to the JPA, Recital D as it relates to coordination. She stated that she does not think that one GSP Initial Notification is sufficient for the basin. Mr. Paul Wells, Regional Coordinator of DWR, stated his understanding is that one GSP initial notification will be sufficient. He further stated that if the GSAs are in agreement, he is comfortable moving forward with one notification. He offered to meet with Ms. Elizabeth to further discuss if she wished.

Motion: Mr. Heberle moved, and Director Silverman seconded with consideration for further discussion on issue raised by Ms. Elizabeth.

3. Discussion and Possible Action to Apply for DWR Technical Support Services (TSS)

Ms. Watson provided background about the DWR TSS opportunity. The goal of the DWR TSS is to provide education, data, and tools to GSAs as they prepare GSPs. Applications are due in Spring of 2018, are evaluated on continuous basis, and critically over-drafted basins have priority for funding. The types of services offered include installation of monitoring wells and other technical services (second phase). She explained this is not a grant reimbursement program, rather it is for direct services based on needs the applicant submits.

Motion: Director Silverman approved, and Director Kuil seconded. The motion passed with unanimous approval.

4. Discussion and Possible Action to Adopt a New Logo for the Eastern San Joaquin Groundwater Authority

Discussion occurred regarding the adoption of a new logo. Mr. Brandon Nakagawa stated that the original logo of a downward arrow indicated recharge. The revised logo represents extraction and input. Director Silverman stated his preference that the Board use up existing materials before more are printed with new logo. Ms. Elizabeth stated that she would like to see 'ESJ' added above 'GWA' in the logo so that it is clear and more personalized. Director Nakanishi supported this. Director Panizza pointed out that the letterhead was part of the logo, which includes the words Eastern San Joaquin. Therefore, it would not be necessary to add the additional letters to the logo.

Motion: Director Thomas motioned to adopt the new logo as presented, without adding 'ESJ', and Director Panizza seconded. The motion passed with unanimous approval.

5. Presentation by Woodard & Curran on GSP Development Process

a. Project Roadmap and Schedule

Ms. Watson presented a roadmap of meeting topics and schedule, noting that the slideshow orientation will be used throughout the project to show progress. The April meeting will be centered on Physical Setting and Undesirable Results. A project calendar in different formats will also be made available in the future. Discussion commenced on the schedule. Secretary Balaji stated that the schedule shows Directors what to anticipate as far as decisions in months to come. He further emphasized that there is no luxury of schedule slip due to legislative deadline. For this reason, decisions need to be made on time to make progress, and the schedule needs to be followed diligently. Ms. Carolyn Lott, Facilitator, stated that if both the member and alternate member of the Authority board are not able to be present at the GWA meetings, the attending members must make sure to keep their alternate member up to date on what was discussed.

b. Stakeholder Engagement and Outreach Approach

There was a reminder of the discussion from last month's meeting on stakeholder engagement and outreach. Multiple forums are anticipated for the process, including advisory committee and non-GSA stakeholder organizations as well as the general public.

It is anticipated that a Stakeholder Committee will be organized. The Stakeholder Committee is anticipated to be comprised of 15-20 organizational representatives. Several examples were given of the type of organizations that would be included. The role of the Stakeholder Committee is to commit to a charter describing responsibilities, participate in monthly meetings to review GSP components, represent the interests of and report back to their organizations, provide feedback and input through facilitated meeting discussions, and make recommendation for consideration. All decisions will stay within the JPA Board. The

aim is to develop an application for the Stakeholder Committee, send it to the interested parties list, post it on the website, and share it with the Board. The following timeline was suggested: Distribute application in March, gather applications and work with staff to review applicants and develop recommended slate in late April, present to the Board the draft slate and charter in May, and have the first meeting after approval by Board in late May.

Ms. Watson asked for input on the proposed Stakeholder Committee approach. Discussion commenced on the formation of the Stakeholder Committee. It was mentioned that farming committees for Lodi can be extensive, and that they can look at consolidation. Questions arose including: Will a Form 700 be needed? Who will pay for implementation? Ms. Watson responded that the payment will come out of the consultant fee. Form 700 will not be required because it is not a formal advisory committee to the Authority, but rather a stakeholder committee convened to provide a forum for receiving feedback.

Director Henry asked for further information on the public outreach component. Ms. Watson stated that Woodard & Curran is working with Crocker & Crocker on a public outreach approach with several components. The plan is not complete yet, but she provided a general overview. One component is the use of the Stakeholder Committee in public outreach efforts. The website is another component, which includes staff the County is hiring to handle website management and the posting of materials. There is additionally a plan around social media and a series of public meetings to be held approximately quarterly. The anticipated general flow of information is the following: Topics first discussed at the Advisory Committee to test ideas and concepts, which will be taken to the Authority Board for feedback. This information will then be brought to the Stakeholder Committee then tested with stakeholders. After the Authority Board is comfortable with everything, the topics will be ready for public presentations. The idea is to have ideas thoroughly vetted before taking it to the public. A critical path item is the Stakeholder Committee application distribution. Ms. Lott stated that this is a regional level process, reaching into local areas. She stated that as the JPA is progressing in this effort, the GSAs should be working in some sort of a parallel process and that part of the consultant contract is to provide member agencies with template materials for that purpose. Ms. Watson further elaborated that another component of outreach will be to provide monthly PowerPoint slide materials to the GSAs which can be customized as desired.

Alternate Director Ward stated that he would like to discuss coordination with adjoining basins as it will affect how other basins go forward. He also suggested going back and documenting outreach activities that have taken place since January 1, 2015 that can be incorporated as an appendix to the GSP. He suggested looking at a table created for the west side of the Delta Mendota basin, which catalogues outreach activities that can be used as a model. He suggested creating and maintaining the log. Ms. Lott suggested that newspaper clippings be included. Mr. Nakagawa, addressing inter-basin coordination, stated that the lines of communication are wide open and that there is interface happening. Sacramento County has reached out to formalize communication with Cosumnes and Eastern San Joaquin. He further stated there is interest in reaching out to Mr. Ward's area to coordinate as well. The County is very involved in the work taking place in the Tracy subbasin. The next step in this process is to formalize the open channels. Chair Winn emphasized that there will be ongoing dialogue, stating the importance of being informed for residents, ratepayers, public, councils, irrigation districts, etc.

Ms. Jane Wagner-Tyack asked for clarification on the Stakeholder Committee slide which contained a reference of agricultural users outside the GSA. Ms. Watson replied that this did not mean "geographically outside the GSA." She gave an example that the Farm Bureau represents agricultural users who may not have direct input into GSA decision making or this JPA. This would provide a way for them to be engaged. Ms. Elizabeth added that she would like to see small community water systems specifically listed as a stakeholder input group. Mr. Paul Wells of DWR indicated that it is spelled out in the legislation, Water Code Section 10723.2, that GSAs shall consider the interests of all beneficial uses and users of groundwater.

Ms. Watson concluded by reiterating that the list shown today was not meant to be a comprehensive list, but illustrative. Ms. Lott summarized by stating that there are three avenues by which interested parties can have input: 1) formal regional group; 2) through their own GSA; and 3) general comment periods.

Mr. Rod Attebery, Authority Counsel, stated that the details of the stakeholder groups are yet to be determined, but reiterated that no formal action will come out of that body and will not have designated meeting times, thereby following Brown Act considerations.

c. Planning Advisory Committee Formation

Ms. Watson presented the proposed approach for the formal advisory committee, stating the recommendation is that a single planning advisory committee be formed that provides input on both policy-related and technical items. This is a different approach than what was discussed in a prior GWA meeting. Proposed planning advisory meetings would be held from 9:00-10:30 a.m., ahead of the Board Meeting which is from 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m., and topics will differ from the Board Meeting. All GSAs are recommended to provide a staff member as opposed to a Board Member or Alternate for consideration to the planning advisory committee. Ms. Watson requested that recommendations be emailed to her within the week. She will report back to this Authority Board in April with the outcome of the committee recommendations. Mr. Nakagawa concluded saying the assumption is that the Chair has the authority to appoint the standing committee members and that staff will be working on a recommendation for the Chair.

Director Nakanishi nominated Charlie Swimley for the City of Lodi for the advisory committee. Ms. Lott noted that some entities may have limited staff, but reminded the GWA Board to the extent possible to nominate someone other than a GWA Board member or alternate. We must avoid having a quorum on the advisory committee.

Linda Dorn from the Sacramento County Groundwater Sustainably Agency reached out regarding inter-basin coordination. She stressed the importance of having a representative from Cosumnes Basin included in the advisory committee for inter-basin coordination and suggested that the representative could be a consultant given the technical nature.

B. Information Items:

1. February 20, 2018, sacbee.com "Facing Specter of Drought, California Farmers Are Told to Expect Little Water"
2. February 28, 2018, lodinews.com, "County Groundwater Project Rejected; Follow-up Meeting Scheduled for Today"
3. February 28, 2018, newsdeeply.com, "How Much Snow Next Winter? It May Not Remain a Mystery Much Longer"

No discussion or comments on the information items.

III. **Public Comments:** Mr. George Hartmann stated that a question came up Tuesday when Ms. Watson visited Central Delta Water Agency. That question was: Why should someone in agriculture who doesn't use groundwater be involved in this process or care about it? Specifically, why should a farmer irrigating with surface water be concerned about the process? Ms. Watson and Mr. Nakagawa responded that this is an individual decision, but that SGMA is not only a groundwater program, it is a water program that looks at all groundwater use and recharge to bring it into balance. SGMA considers surface and groundwater use, but also interdependent streams and ecosystems and water quality. Each GSA has signed up to represent groundwater users in a given area for each of the six "undesirable results" defined by SGMA. Mr. Hartmann asked whether agriculture users should be concerned that there is potential interference with their use of surface water as it relates to SGMA and groundwater usage? Mr. Nakagawa replied yes and added that our

Delta agencies have been working with the GBA and other efforts working on common solutions. We need to have the entire community at the table working on a common solution for the groundwater basin and the future of our community. Mr. Hartmann stated he has raised the matter before, of the potential interference of water rights and that the drafters of SGMA legislation seemed to have overlooked this. There may be an issue in terms of surface water usage. Mr. Hartmann suggested that agriculture users may see this as a reason for becoming more involved in the process.

Ms. Elizabeth stated a need for individual GSAs to provide and publish a basic water budget, explaining how much they are using and where they are getting it from, and that this information should be available for each GSA. In addition, she voiced that the Advisory Water Commission has an environmental representative appointed to the commission who is an attorney that represents some agencies, but does not represent any environmental organization.

Director Biagi expressed interest in being considered, along with other nominees, to participate on the Planning Advisory Committee if it does not present a quorum issue. Director Silverman added that another approach if needed is for GSAs to team up, to jointly nominate a representative.

Director Kuil of the South San Joaquin GSA stated that for their organization, 80% or more is surface water and they pump very little. As the State takes higher inflows, this may increase the need to pump and presents water quality issues. He considers the GWA group as the best way to go. He views the cost of this group as a good investment and the best way to protect our interests.

IV. Directors' Comments:

Director Salvatore gave an update to Lathrop's GSA. The City of Lathrop is seeking a boundary modification and has been working with DWR in the process. The City of Lathrop will send two items to agencies: 1) an explanation and request for discussion if there is interest to do so regarding the boundary modification; and 2) and a template letter of support for a boundary modification. The City of Lathrop is split in two groundwater basins, requiring two GSAs, and the development of two GSPs. Even with the proposed change, the benefits provided by the City of Lathrop toward sustainability would still contribute to the area of this basin. He welcomes any comments.

Mr. Attebery responded to a question regarding Form 700. The Eastern San Joaquin County Groundwater Basin Authority (GBA) and GWA are separate entities, each requiring a Form 700.

V. Future Agenda Items:

No future agenda items were raised.

VI. Adjournment:

The meeting was closed at 11:09 a.m.

Next Regular Meeting: April 11, 2018 at 9:30 a.m.

San Joaquin County - Robert J. Cabral Agricultural Center 2101 E. Earhart Ave., Assembly Rm. #1, Stockton, CA









MEMBER SIGN-IN SHEET

Location: SJ COUNTY ROBERT J. CABRAL AG CENTER Date: 3/14/18 Time: 9:30 AM

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DF	David Fletcher	Linden County Water District Member	209-887-3202	dqfpe@comcast.net
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 JUSTIN PADILLA SJC-PW-MR

OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES - SIGN-IN SHEET

Location: SJ COUNTY ROBERT J. CABRAL AG CENTER Date: 3/14/18 Time: 9:30 AM

INITIAL	Member's Name	Organization	Phone	Email
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JWS	Janet Wagon Tyack	League of Women Voters	209-648-5105	JanetTyack@mlc.com
DM	Donna Mills	CHANGRAH COUNTY		
PM	Peter Martin	CCWD	209-754-3841	peterm@ccwd.org
	Scott Moody	SILWD		
	Alyson Watson	W+C	415-737-0049	awatson@woodardcurran.com
	Grace Su	EBMUD		
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	Bonnie Schud	EP 400		
L.T	Shaun Thompson	Central	941-8714	

ATTACHMENT II
A.2.

Project Advisory Committee Members



- Scot Moody (Stockton East Water District)
- Lance Roberts (City of Lodi)
- Mike Henry (Lockeford Community Services District)*
- Doug Heberle (Woodbridge Irrigation District)*
- Greg Gibson (City of Lathrop)
- Mel Lytle (City of Stockton)*
- Peter Rietkerk (South San Joaquin)
- George Biagi, Jr. (Central Delta Water Agency)*
- Emily Sheldon (Oakdale Irrigation District)*
- Peter Martin (Eastside San Joaquin)
- Tom Flinn (North San Joaquin Water Conservation District)*
- Elba Mijango (City of Manteca)
- Reid Roberts (Central San Joaquin)*
- David Fletcher (Linden County Water District)*
- Michael Bolzowski (California Water Services Company)
- Kris Balaji (San Joaquin County)

**denotes GWA board member or alternate*

ATTACHMENT II
A.3.

Proposed Meeting Schedule Revisions



- Propose to hold Advisory Committee Meetings in advance of the full JPA Board meetings from 9:00-10:30, with full Board meeting afterwards from 11:00-12:00
 - First Advisory Committee Meeting to be held May 9, from 9:00 – 10:30
 - Request to move May 9 Board Meeting to begin at 11:00
- Change to bylaws will be proposed in May if permanent change to Board meeting start time is requested

ATTACHMENT II
B.1-5.



SAVE THE DATE

April 23

Chico, CA 1-4 pm
Chico Masonic Family Center

April 24

Clovis, CA 1-4 pm
Clovis Veteran's Memorial District

April 25

Ventura, CA 9:30 am-12:30 pm
Saticoy Operations Yard

April 27

Online Webcast
Noon to 2 pm

SGMA Assistance Workshops

Hosted by the CA Department of Water Resources

Mark your calendars for an interactive workshop to discuss SGMA implementation efforts, DWR planning and technical assistance, and key components of Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) development.

This workshop will feature brief presentations and information booths on the following topics:

- **GSP Development Information**
-Sustainable Management Criteria
- **Assistance & engagement information**
- **Guidance, data, and tools overviews**

And much more!

RSVP Here:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/sgma-assistance-workshops-tickets-44561329135>

Don't miss the opportunity to meet DWR's Sustainable Groundwater Management Program staff!

More details to follow.

Villalpando, Kelly

From: Nakagawa, Brandon
Sent: Friday, March 16, 2018 4:38 PM
To: Callahan, Michael; Buchman, Fritz; Villalpando, Kelly
Subject: Fwd: BBMP Outreach-City of Lathrop
Attachments: Template Letter of Support.docx; ATT00001.htm; Fig1_ProposedBasinBoundaryModification.pdf; ATT00002.htm; BBMP_Outreach_SJCO.pdf; ATT00003.htm

Brandon
Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Veronica Hedges" <vhedges@ci.lathrop.ca.us>
To: "Nakagawa, Brandon" <bnakagawa@sjgov.org>
Subject: **BBMP Outreach-City of Lathrop**

Good afternoon,

The City of Lathrop has submitted an initial notification to DWR with the intent to pursue a basin boundary modification for the Tracy and ESJ Subbasins.

Attached is information about the City's request and upcoming public meetings to discuss the proposed boundary modification.

The City is interested in receiving feedback and support from your agency, and has attached a template letter of support to be printed on your official letterhead.

A copy of this letter has been mailed to your attention; we request you use the self-addressed stamped envelope should you elect to submit a letter of support.

If you have any questions, comments, or concerns about the City's basin boundary modification request, please contact Stephen Salvatore at ssalvatore@ci.lathrop.ca.us.

Sincerely,

City of Lathrop
Public Works Department
(209) 941-7430



Department of Public Works
We are building a City!

390 Towne Centre Drive, Lathrop, CA 95330
Phone (209) 941-7430 – fax (209) 941-7449
www.ci.lathrop.ca.us

March 14, 2018

Brandon Nakagawa
San Joaquin County
P.O. Box 1810
Stockton, CA 95201

Subject: Notice of City of Lathrop's Basin Boundary Modification Request

As directed by California Water Code §10722.2, the California Department of Water Resources ("DWR") developed Basin Boundary Emergency Regulations ("Regulations") to provide local agencies the opportunity to petition DWR to consider a change to existing groundwater basin boundaries. Pursuant to these Regulations, the City of Lathrop ("City") is preparing a request ("Request") to align the boundaries of the Tracy Subbasin (DWR 5-022.15) and the Eastern San Joaquin ("ESJ") Subbasin (DWR 5-022.01) with the City's boundary.

The current basin boundaries split the City between two groundwater basins, requiring two Groundwater Sustainability Agencies ("GSAs") to cover the City, and the development and implementation of two Groundwater Sustainability Plans. The Request will demonstrate that including the entire City within the Tracy Subbasin would allow the City to have a single GSA covering its entire jurisdictional area and promote sustainable groundwater management, which is consistent with the standards by which a jurisdictional modification may be approved by DWR under the Regulations.

On February 8, 2018, the City submitted an initial notification to DWR that it intended to pursue a basin boundary modification for the Tracy and ESJ Subbasins; the City's notice can be found on the DWR website (<http://sgma.water.ca.gov/basinmod/init/preview/147>). The City plans to discuss the proposed boundary modification at the City Council Meeting on April 9, 2018. Information regarding the Request and upcoming public meetings will be posted on the City's website at <http://www.ci.lathrop.ca.us/lathrop/pwd/SustainableGroundwaterManagement.aspx>.

The City is interested in receiving any feedback from San Joaquin County about the proposed basin boundary modification. As the City is the third smallest City in San Joaquin County and its current groundwater use represents only 0.04% of the total groundwater use in the ESJ Subbasin, we anticipate that the request should have minimal impact on agencies in either affected basin. Should San Joaquin County elect to support the request, we sincerely invite you to provide either (1) a copy of a resolution formally adopted by San Joaquin County; or (2) a letter signed by an executive officer or other official who represents San Joaquin County to evidence your support. A template letter of support is included with this notice for your reference.

If San Joaquin County has any questions, comments, or concerns about the City's basin boundary modification request, please contact Stephen Salvatore at:

City of Lathrop
390 Town Centre Drive
Lathrop, CA 95330
(209) 941-7220
ssalvatore@ci.lathrop.ca.us

We appreciate your support for this effort that has significant benefit to the water customers of the City of Lathrop.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Stephen Salvatore", written in a cursive style.

Stephen Salvatore
City Manager
City of Lathrop

Template Letter of Support

[DATE]

Stephen Salvatore
City Manager
City of Lathrop
390 Towne Centre Drive
Lathrop, CA 95330

Re: **[AGENCY NAME] Support for Basin Boundary Modification Request to be Filed by the City of Lathrop**

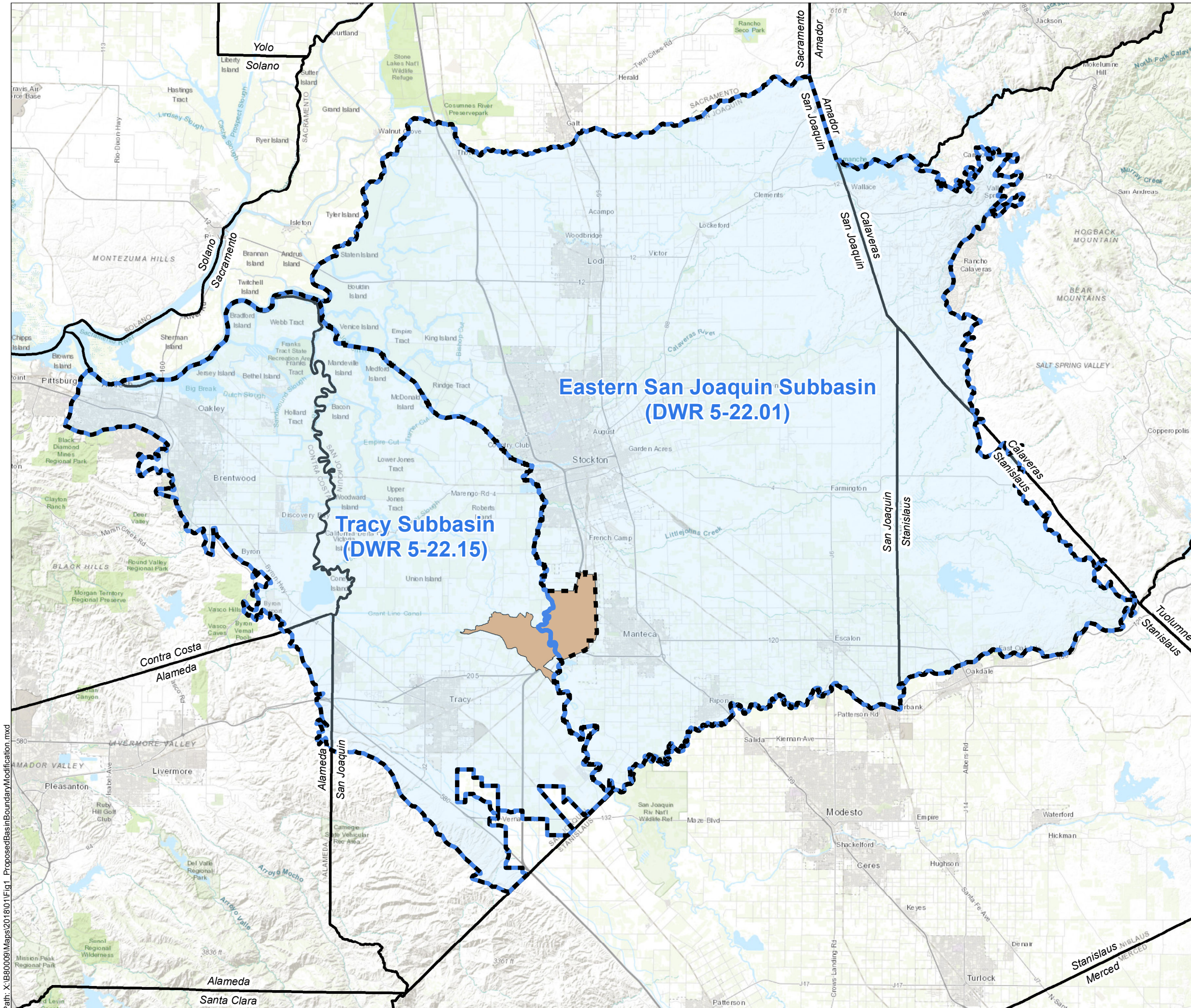
The purpose of this letter is to express [AGENCY NAME]'s support for the basin boundary modification request ("Request") to be submitted by the City of Lathrop to the California Department of Water Resources ("DWR") pursuant to Basin Boundary Emergency Regulations ("Regulations").

We understand that the Request proposes to align the boundaries of the Tracy Subbasin (DWR 5-022.15) and the Eastern San Joaquin Subbasin (DWR 5-022.01) with the City's boundary and is based on a body of evidence that demonstrates that including the entire City within the Tracy Subbasin would promote sustainable groundwater management. This letter constitutes [AGENCY NAME]'s support for the Request.

Sincerely,

[NAME OF OFFICIAL]

[TITLE]



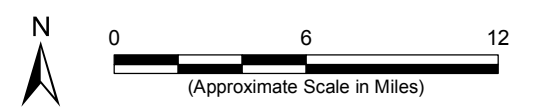
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- County Boundaries
- Proposed Basin Boundary Modification
- Existing DWR Tracy and Eastern San Joaquin Subbasins
- City of Lathrop

Abbreviations
 DWR = California Department of Water Resources

Notes
 1. All locations are approximate.

Sources
 1. Groundwater basins from DWR's Final 2016 Bulletin 118 Groundwater Basin Boundaries, downloaded 24 October 2016. Basin boundaries reflect the final revisions approved as part of the 2016 basin boundary modification process.
 2. Basemap layers obtained from ESRI, accessed 31 January 2018.



**Proposed Basin Boundary Modification
 Tracy and Eastern San Joaquin Subbasins**

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City of Lathrop
 San Joaquin County, CA
 February 2018
 EKI B80009.00
Figure 1

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March 21, 2018

Via Electronic Mail

Brandon Nakagawa
Water Resources Coordinator
San Joaquin County
bnakagawa@sjgov.org



Re: Request to Include a Technical Representative from the Cosumnes Subbasin on the Eastern San Joaquin Groundwater Authority Technical and Policy Advisory Committee

Dear Mr. Nakagawa,

On behalf of the seven Groundwater Sustainability Agencies¹ (GSAs) in the Cosumnes Subbasin (i.e., the Cosumnes “Working Group”) I respectfully request that the Eastern San Joaquin Groundwater Authority (ESJ GWA) include one technical representative from the Cosumnes Subbasin on your Technical and Policy Advisory Committee (TPAC).

Having a technical representative from the Cosumnes Subbasin on the TPAC will facilitate interbasin coordination by providing a formal mechanism to exchange technical data/information and to verbalize concerns and considerations throughout the course of GSP development for both subbasins. This will help ensure that the Cosumnes and ESJ Subbasins’ GSPs are in general agreement with respect to conceptualizing regional hydrogeologic conditions and quantifying common water budget components, such as estimates of cross-boundary groundwater flows. It will also help ensure that the development of sustainability criteria in either basin will not interfere with the adjacent basin’s ability to achieve its *sustainability goal* within its respective implementation horizon.

We appreciate your consideration in including a technical representative from the Cosumnes Subbasin as you finalize the composition and structure of the TPAC, and we are pleased to extend a reciprocal invitation. Please consider providing a representative from the ESJ Subbasin to participate in the Cosumnes Subbasin Technical Advisory Committee meetings.

Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions and I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Tom Gohring
Executive Director
Sacramento Water Forum

¹ The seven GSA’s in the Cosumnes Subbasin include Omochumne-Hartnell Water District, Sloughhouse Resource Conservation District, Galt Irrigation District, City of Galt, Clay Water District, Amador County Groundwater Management Authority and Sacramento County.

From: Callahan, Michael
Sent: Friday, March 23, 2018 11:47 AM
To: Villalpando, Kelly
Subject: FW: Public Notice for Stanislaus County Discretionary Well Permitting and Management Program Draft PEIR

[For communications items](#)

From: Bock, John [mailto:John.Bock@tetrattech.com]
Sent: Friday, March 23, 2018 11:03 AM
Subject: Public Notice for Stanislaus County Discretionary Well Permitting and Management Program Draft PEIR

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY

**DISCRETIONARY WELL PERMITTING AND MANAGEMENT PROGRAM
DRAFT PROGRAM ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT**

Stanislaus County is implementing a Discretionary Well Permitting and Management Program pursuant to its Groundwater Ordinance (Chapter 9.37 of the Stanislaus County Code), adopted in November 2014 to promote sustainable groundwater management.

Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), Stanislaus County has prepared a Draft Program Environmental Impact Report (PEIR) for the discretionary well permitting and management program. The Draft PEIR provides program-level analysis of the program across its implementation period through 2042, at which time all groundwater subbasins in Stanislaus County are required under the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) to be operated sustainably. The potential impacts related to the program would primarily occur before Groundwater Sustainability Plans are adopted under the SGMA in 2020 or 2022.

Stanislaus County has issued a Draft PEIR that identifies and describes the environmental issues expected to result from implementing the program. The environmental topics addressed in the Draft PEIR are Agriculture and Forestry Resources, Air Quality, Biological Resources, Cultural Resources, Geology and Soils, Greenhouse Gas Emissions, Hazards and Hazardous Materials, Hydrology and Water Quality, Land Use and Planning, Noise, and Utilities and Service Systems. While the Draft EIR identifies potentially significant adverse impacts to Biological Resources, Cultural Resources, Geology and Soils, Hydrology and Water Quality, Land Use and Planning, and Noise, those impacts would be mitigated to less than significant levels. Other CEQA environmental topics were addressed in the previously issued Notice of Preparation and Initial Study.

Copies of the Draft PEIR are available for review at the Stanislaus County Department of Environmental Resources, 3800 Cornucopia Way, Suite C, Modesto. The Draft PEIR is also available at the Stanislaus County Library, 1500 I Street, Modesto. In addition, the documents may be downloaded from the county's groundwater resources web page at the following internet address: <http://www.stancounty.com/er/groundwater/>. A public workshop discussing the PEIR will occur at the Stanislaus County Farm Bureau at 1201 L Street in Modesto from 1:30 to 3:00 PM on April 12, 2018.

The Draft PEIR public comment period is March 23 to May 7, 2018. Comments on the Draft PEIR must be received before 5:00 PM on May 7, 2018, to be considered in the preparation of the Final PEIR. They may be e-mailed to ward@envres.org or mailed to:

Walter Ward
Stanislaus County
3800 Cornucopia Way, Suite C
Modesto, CA 95358

River Islands will soon start using recycled water

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April 2, 2018

Purple pipe is coming to River Islands.

Earlier this month the Lathrop City Council signed off on a proposal that will allow Woodfield and Curran (formerly RMC Water and Environment) to serve as the program administrator for the city's recycled water program and provide the management services needed to support the first year of the project's implementation.

The \$57,843 cost of hiring the firm will be fully reimbursed by River Islands.

And while the project will initially focus on River Islands, who is funding the initial phases, the work will eventually other newly developed areas of Lathrop as well.

According to the staff report, the program will eventually be expanded to Mossdale, the Central Lathrop Specific Plan area and potentially other areas of development in order to provide the capability of using the city's recycled water for urban landscape uses.

The on-demand delivery would allow River Islands to use the recycled water from the city's wastewater treatment plant to irrigate urban landscaping within the master planned community – saving precious groundwater supplies for residential use rather than applying it to landscaping.

As part of the city's Master Reclamation Permit adopted by the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board, the Recycled Water Program will need additional regulatory monitoring and reporting along with specialized supervisor training to oversee the operation and implementation. The nearly \$58,000 being paid for by River Islands will cover those necessary expenses for the critical first year of the program.

Currently the city disperses a percentage of its wastewater in spray fields along the San Joaquin River to fulfill mandated requirements. It is not uncommon for cities in San Joaquin County to discharge their treated wastewater back out into the San Joaquin River as long as it meets the strict purity standards laid out by the regulatory agencies that monitor the discharges.

The project will allow the city to preserve the crucial drinking water that it gets from ground wells that serve the city – some of which comes from a critically overdrafted basin – and discussion of implementing such a program began during the heavy California drought that caused some wells in the Central Valley to go dry as water tables dropped tremendously from overuse by agricultural and governmental entities.

Some neighboring cities, like Ripon, have proposed monetizing the on-demand deliver of non-potable water to help offset the costs of maintaining the infrastructure necessary to deliver the water to consumers.

To contact reporter Jason Campbell email jcampbell@mantecabulletin.com or call 209.249.3544.

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